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The International Association of Lions Clubs District N-1

Cabinet Meeting – St. Eleanors Lions Club September 16, 2018 Minutes

The meeting was Called to Order by **District Governor** Lion Jim Aucoin at 11:07 followed by the Singing of National Anthems led by PDG Gerard Hartigan and VDG Lloyd Soucie.

DG Jim called for a Moment of Silence for World Peace and Deceased Members. The Lions Invocation, led by DG Jim, was recited by all presents.

PDG Luke Stennick moved Approval of the Agenda. The motion was seconded Lion Carlos Vicente. Motion Carried

CS Lion Susan did Roll call.

Opening Remarks by District Governor Jim Aucoin included Introduction of the Head Table, Recognition of PID Rod Wright, Past District Governors, Recognition of Lions, Leos & Lioness. He also gave special welcome to PDG's Cliff and Joan Forward from District N 4.

Host President Gary Gaudet welcomed all, hoping everyone enjoyed the banquet last evening and offered congratulations to all the winners. He also encouraged everyone to enjoy the meeting and have a safe drive home. DG Jim presented President Gary with a Certificate of Appreciation – hospitality book for the Annual Convention - for hosting this weekend.

Our Tail Twister was in fine form throughout the meeting beginning by fining CS Susan for not having her list in alphabetical order moving on to the 1st VDG for having a different tie –VDG Lloyd point out his WAS the official tie(no fine).....and several more at every opportunity.

District Governor Jim presented the Cabinet meeting host with a District Governor Certificate of Appreciation and a small token of thanks. He reviewed a message from International President Gudrun Yngvadottir, the first female President in the history of Lions Clubs International. "We serve the world and our local communities with pride, compassion and kindness. But there is a world of Service yet to be reached....Once discovered, it will open a level of humanitarian good the world has never seen. It's out there somewhere BEYOND THE HORIZON". DG Jim's also reviewed his and District N 1 Goals for 2018-19. They include:

(a) Membership: 2 new clubs with a Lions Club in the second quarter and a Campus club in the third quarter for a yearend total – 1851. Also increase the percentage of women membership from 22.7% to 29% using the theme of "Just Ask" and the motto WE SERVE/NOUS SERVON

(b) Leadership: Delivery of training will return to the Incoming Officers at the Annual Convention. Training of the Zone Chairs at the Zone level will take place in NB (2 sites) and PEI (1 site) following the Annual Convention. Diabetes rollout at the first Cabinet meeting on September 16th in St. Eleanors, PEI. "Sponsoring and Retaining New Members" training at the second Cabinet meeting on November 18th in Sussex

(c) Service: District Governor's service project will be to raise \$40,000.00 to support the Diabetes Camps in NB and PEI with a "Parade of Cheques" at the District N1 Annual Convention on April 5 – 7, 2019 in Fredericton. Ensure all Clubs appoint a GST Club Coordinator.

(d) Lions Clubs International Foundation: To encourage clubs and individuals to donate to the "Campaign 100" program and to ensure all Clubs appoint LCIF Club Coordinator. If none is appointed the duty will fall to the Immediate Past president

DG Jim has done 2 visits in September. He also offered "Congratulations" to all the award recipients at last evening's Award Banquet. Some awards and Certificates of Appreciation that were not present last night was presented by IPDG Paul Cousins. Lion Kathy Belliveau of Riverview Lions Club was selected as Lion of the Year 2017-2018. (*Note*) A list of all awards presented by IPDG Paul Cousins will be attached to these minutes.

Lion Theresa demonstrated the prescription reader machines – the demonstration read a prescription in its entirety including warnings. Contract her for more in information.

DG Jim drew attention to the basket and 50/50 draw and the selling Lions at the back of the room. He also presented his visitation cards that we on the front of the room and asked that the clubs taking would sign them out so we could have a record of the interest for future Governors. He also presented pins to his cabinet chairs and team leaders.

1st Vice Lloyd reported he is headed off to the forum next week. He had also been assigned to PID Rod's training team in Chicago in February. 1st Vice Lloyd's full report is attached to and forms part of these minutes. 1st Vice Lloyd reported as team leader for GLT that there would be a short presentation at each Cabinet Meeting. Service Activities will be reported on MYLion next year. Membership will continue on MyLCI. The GLT team of PCC Susan, PDG Larry, PDG Doug and PID Rod will try to accommodate any training requests. 1st Vice Lloyd presented Lion Gerald Forsythe his renewed Guiding Lion Certificate. This renewal is valid for 3 years.

2nd Vice District Governor Paul Gauthier reported that there was 8 out of 13 Zone Chairs in attendance this morning. He encouraged them to take the information learned here today back to their clubs, to promote membership, leadership and service and to ask for help if needed. He asked the clubs to work with their Zone Chairs, to help them do the work.

Immediate Past District Governor Paul Cousins reported on the PDGA meeting held earlier. Last year,s work with Portage and the possibility of a Memorial Forest is to continue as well as Long Range Planning's role in looking to and planning our future. All Lions are encouraged to contribute in this process with ideas submitted to the IPDG or any PDG. He said they served 71 meals last evening that he hoped everyone enjoyed.

Immediate Past District Governor Paul Cousins was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation from Immediate Past President Aggarwal for his year as District Governor.

DG Jim recognized the new members of the Moncton Lions Club and welcomed them to their first Cabinet Meeting.

Cabinet Secretary Susan reported attendance as 31 Clubs and 74 members present. The minutes of the Annual meeting – April 14, 2018 and of the DGO - August 12, 2018 are available. As is our practice, the Minutes of the Annual meeting will be approved in April 2019. DG Jim called for approval of the minutes of the DGO – moved by Lion Lionel Vautour, seconded by PCC Brennan Beaumont the minutes of the DGO be approved. **MC**

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Secretary Lion Susan asked that all clubs pick up their Directories and the Zone Chairs for the Clubs not represented take them so they can receive in a timely manner. If and errors, changes or omissions are identified, please email them to the Secretary to be complied for distribution.

Correspondence – Letter from Lions Quest International thanking us for the donation of \$77.52US and a letter of thanks from the family of PDG Vic Messer for the living memorial.

Cabinet Treasurer Lion Bev's report as CST from 2018-19 is attached. The files have been turned over to the auditor. She encouraged the club to send in their events so the Secretary can distribute to the other clubs. She also reminded the clubs that they will receive 2 bills – one from LCI and one from the District – twice a year in July and January. These bills need to be paid to keep the clubs in good standing. The membership numbers need to be entered each month to keep the data current. PCC Bev has 2 recommendations - 1. That we appoint a permanent bank, changing only signing officers each year and 2. That a Directory Chair be added and the compiling of the directory be handled by a committee rather than the Cabinet Secretary. Selecting a permanent printer could possibly effect a cost savings as the set up work would be done. She enjoyed her year and thanks PCC Paul for the opportunity. CC Paul commended PCC Bev for a job well done.

There was some concern expressed about removing the opportunity to bid on printing however the recommendation to move the directory to committee met with positive feedback. PCC Bev explained the additional \$40 under eyeglass on last years' financials was for the sale of collection boxes. With no further questions, PCC Bev moved for the adoption of her report. Susan Stennick seconded the motion. DG Jim called for the vote. MC

DG Jim named his appointments to the New Voices program as PCC Susan Sangster – Leadership, PCC Bev Semple – Membership, Lion Heather MacDonald – Service with the Marketing chair yet to be filled.

DG Jim called for all Reports to be presented from the podium beginning with **GMT** – Lion Ed Evans gave a detailed membership report (attached)

District Convention Chair Lion Ed reported as that location -Fredericton Inn, Room costs including 2 breakfasts Standards \$129 and \$139, Deluxe - \$149. Meet & Greet theme will be Mardi Gras Freddy Beach Style.

GST - Global Service Coordinator - Lion John Bettle briefly reviewed GAT, listed his goals , (report attached)

MD N Fall Conference- Chair Sonny Bonnell – will be held Nov 2-4 in Saint John at the Canada Best Value Inn with 80 rooms available. He has the Registration form . Reminded all that there is a hockey tournament on at the same time so get your rooms reserved. PCC Sonny is asking for ads for the booklet.

Peace Poster – Chair Isabel –Peace Poster contest is celebrating 31 years. This years' theme **"Kindness Matters"** (report attached)

LCIF – LCIF Coordinators are a member of GAT whose responsibility is to encourage the raising of funds to support the Global Causes. Club LCIF Coordinators: 1. Every club will have one 2. **Immediate Past President** will be automatically be given the responsibilities of Club Coordinator, if one is not appointed 3. Promote LCIF and Campaign 100. Please let PDG Luke know when you chose to make your club donation to LCIF whether it's a 3 year commitment or a one- time donation.

Cantabs – PDG Denzil reported he turned in to CT Bev \$188.35 mostly from his club but he has received several more bags here this weekend. This in support of the Shriners Sick Children

LFC -.2nd VDG Paul Gauthier, as outgoing PEI Director for LFC, reported that one of only two specials awards "Dog Guide Champion Award" for donating \$50,000 has been awarded to the Parkdale- Sherwood Lions Club and asked the President Sam Sanderson accept the award on the Clubs behalf. (report attached)

Lions Quest- school based training in Boiestown and Doaktown doing both schools. The Boiestown Upper Miramichi Lions club is providing lunch. Be sure to support our Lions Quest draw for 2 tickets to Milan for the 2019 International Convention (report attached)

Lions Ron Evans Bursary Fund – PDG Boyd reminded the group of the need to keep this Bursary fund, \$39710.61, healthy and last year only one club supported with \$285 in private donations. Today there are 2 \$1000 Bursary being paid to residents of Portage who are furthering their education. (Report attached)

Visitation Pins – PCC Sonny raised the issue of visitation pins for Lion members who reach 10, 25, 50, 100 visits. We have tabs but no District N-1 pins. The District would have to buy the pins and sell them back to the clubs participating to recover the cost. The District N-1 pin is the 3 flags and Lion John Murray has them for sale.

CT Bev Semple is part of the fund raising committee to elect Dr. Patti Hill to the position of 3rd Vice President in Milan. She is the endorsed candidate but she has an opponent and will need all our help to secure the election. This is expensive. Ct Bev moved that we donate \$7500 from surplus funds towards her campaign. This was seconded by Lion Lori Perley. The district has made no other contribution. Lion Heather MacDonald questioned if the motion needed to be approved by the District per Constitution and By-Laws. Lion Lloyd moved to table the motion to the November Cabinet meeting

Speakout - Lion Kathy Belliveau reminded all to start planning their speakout competitions with a brief description for new Lions. (Report attached)

Leo Report submitted by Lions Carolyn and Blake Hetherington (Report attached)

Business arising from minute

At the DGO, it was suggested Fredericton might want to consider purchasing Living Memorials for the Fredericton Police Officers whose lives were taken. PCC Sonny Bonnell moved that the district purchases the trees seconded by PDG Claude LeBlanc. The motion will be considered at the September Cabinet meeting. DG Jim reported that when the motion was discussed at the Nashwaaksis Lion Club and the club voted to provide the funds and purchase the trees in memory of Police Officers Rob Costello and Sara Burns.

PDG Larry Barton reported that his former employer – Telephone Company – has donated a refurbished Projector. PDG Doug has had it running. The Lions and guests at last night's Awards Banquet, with a little encouragement collected money to purchase a screen to accompany the projector. PDg Larry volunteered to do the shopping. Thank you to all. We will put it to good use.

New Business

Tail-twisting today raised \$75.05 which will be donated to the Lions Foundation of Canada

District 50/50 fundraising organized by PDG Claude LeBlanc netted \$142.00. The ticket belonging to Lion Daryl Tozer of Riverview was drawn and he takes home \$71.00

The basket donated by Lion Ed Evans and the Superstore netted \$217.00. The basket was won by Lion Rose Giovinazzo of the Moncton Lions Club.

Announcements

Moncton Lions Club Steak Dinner Sept 25. Ticket deadline extended to Sept 19, 2018

East Royalty Lion Jamie Penton reminded all of the Dinner Theater on October 20, 2018. Contact him with questions

Riverview Chinese Auction will be held on October 20, 2018

Lion Peter Gallant of the North Rustico would like Lions to contact him if they are interested in a bowling tournament.

Adjournment - Moved by Lion Michael Hambrook, seconded by PDG Boyd Sangster

2018	Event
September 20-22	USA Canada Forum Columbus, Ohio
October 1	Deadline to order Peace Poster Kits from LCI
October 10-16	World Wide Week of Service In Sight
October 12	World Sight Day
October 15	White Cane Safety Day
November	Diabetes Awareness Month
November 2-4	MDN Fall Conference, Saint John, NB
November 3-5	Emerging Lions Leadership Institute Chicago, Ill
November 10-12	Advanced Lions Leadership Institute Winnipeg, Man
November 14	World Diabetes Day
November 18	Cabinet Meeting , Sussex Lions Club
November 18	Deadline for Essay Contest to DG
November 18	Deadline for Peace Poster to DG
December 1	Portage Christmas Party at Portage (Tentative) Cassidy Lake, NB
December 1	Postmark deadline for Peace Poster & Essay Contest to Council Chair
December 3-9	Lions Eye Bank Week
December 5	International Leo Day
December 15	Council Chair to postmark MDN Peace Poster & Essay Winner to LCI

Important Dates to Remember 2018-2019