



Official Minutes First Cabinet Meeting 2020-2021

District 2-T2 Lions Clubs International
District Governor Ted Boyd
Saturday, July 25, 2020
Texas Boys Ranch, Lubbock, TX

District 2-T2 Lions Clubs International held its first Cabinet Meeting of the 2020-2021 fiscal year on Saturday, July 25, 2020 at Texas Boys Ranch, 4810 N County Road 2800, Lubbock, Texas. The meeting was hosted by Lubbock Llano Lions Club.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:31 a.m. by PDG Terry Hawkins, President of the Lubbock Llano Lions Club.

PDG Hawkins expressed special thanks to Jeremy Walker for his help in preparing for today's meeting. He is the Education, Recreation, and Spiritual Development Director at Texas Boys Ranch.

DISTRICT CABINET MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

The following District 2-T2 Cabinet Members were in attendance: District Governor Ted Boyd; First Vice District Governor Ron Miller; Second Vice District Governor Doug McDonough; Cabinet Secretary PDG Carmon McCain; Immediate Past District Governor James Belk; Region 1 Chair Robert Millican; Zone 1A Chair Vohnya Tongate; Zone 1B Chair Gary Smith; Region 2 Chair PDG James Osborne; Zone 2B Chair Joyce Boyd; and Zone 2D Chair Doug McDonough.

The following Cabinet Members were absent: Cabinet Treasurer Bill Cross; Zone 1C Chair Andra Gregory; Zone 1D Chair Chris Edwards; Zone 2A Chair Zach Cummings; and Zone 2C Chair Mitch Grant.

A quorum of the Cabinet was present. (11 of 15 members or 73 percent)

OPENING CEREMONIES

Lion Beverly Ham of the Lubbock Llano Lions Club led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Texas Flag.

PDG James Norton of the Shallowater Lions Club gave the invocation.

PDG Terry Hawkins led the group in two songs.

PRESENTATION OF 2019-2020 AWARDS

PDG Hawkins introduced Immediate Past District Governor James Belk. The second half of the 2019-2020 Lions fiscal year came to an abrupt standstill due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Lions International Convention set for Singapore was canceled as was the District 2-T2 Convention in Plainview. IPDG Belk thanked District Governor Boyd for taking time during the first Cabinet Meeting to wrap up some loose ends from the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

IPDG Belk presented a Certificate of Appreciation and a "Texas Scratch Pad" containing dollar bills to the 2019-2020 District 2-T2 Cabinet.

IPDG Belk presented 2019-2020 District Contest banner patch awards to the following Lions Clubs.

Small Clubs (1-20)

1. Roby
2. Lubbock Hub
3. Floydada

Medium Sized Clubs 21-40)

1. Shallowater
2. Lubbock Redbud

Large Clubs (40+)

1. Plainview
2. Snyder
3. South Plains

IPDG Belk presented PDG Terry Hawkins with a special "New Voices" award for her membership development work. He also presented PDG Peg White with an International Leadership Award.

The 2019-2020 MD-2 Texas Lions Council of Governors allowed each District Governor to provide a special recognition to an outstanding Lions within their respective Districts. IPDG Belk presented District Governor Ted Boyd with a special award for his work with District pin sales, travel for campers to Texas Lions Camp; and the Julien C. Hyer Lions Youth Camp.

PASSING OF THE GAVEL

The traditional "Passing of the Gavel" from the earliest serving Past District Governor in attendance (PID Marshall Cooper) to District Governor Ted Boyd was conducted.

INTRODUCTION OF 2ND VDG AND FIRST TIME ATTENDEES

IPDG Belk introduced Second Vice District Governor Doug McDonough of the Plainview Lions Club.

He recognized Lion Justin Balderas of the Littlefield Early Risers Lions Club and Lion Cindy Johnson of the Lubbock South Plains Lions Club as first-time attendees at today's Cabinet Meeting. There may have been other first-time attendees watching PDG Terry Hawkins' Facebook Live feed.

He then introduced First Vice District Governor Ron Miller. Miller asked for a moment of silence to remember all Lions who passed away in 2019-2020.

INTRODUCTION OF 1ST VDG AND PDGS

First Vice District Governor Miller introduced the 16 Past District Governors in attendance. They are: James Belk; Terry Hawkins; Vance Gipson; Jim Petty; James Osborne; James Norton; Peg White; Danny Leake; Terrell Thompson; Gary Linker; Wendell Dunlap; PCC Bernie Gradel; Charles Shannon; Carmon McCain; Duane Howell; and PID Marshall Cooper.

INTRODUCTION OF DISTRICT GOVERNOR TED BOYD

First Vice District Governor Miller introduced District Governor Ted Boyd of the Lubbock Redbud Lions Club.

District Governor Boyd thanked everyone for attending today's meeting. "The Lions in our District are one big family. It's good to see everyone...even though we have to wear masks and observe social distancing due to COVID-19 precautions," he said.

District Governor Boyd thanked PDG Terry Hawkins and members of the Lubbock Llano Lions Club for hosting today's meeting. He also thanked First Lady Joyce Boyd and PDG Peg White for their help as administrative assistants.

INSTALLATION OF 2020-2021 DISTRICT CABINET

District Governor Boyd introduced Past International Director Marshall Cooper of the Lubbock South Plains Lions Club. He introduced the current Executive Officers; Region Chairs; Zone Chairs; Committee Chairs; Global Leadership Team, Global Membership Team, and Global Service Team; Great Plains Lions Eye Bank Directors; and Texas Lions Camp Directors in attendance at today's meeting. All agreed to serve District 2-T2 to the best of their abilities in 2020-2021. PID Cooper then declared the group to be duly installed in their respective offices.

EXTENSION OF VOTING PRIVILEGES FOR 2020-2021 CABINET MEETINGS

A motion was made by First VDG Ron Miller and seconded by Cabinet Secretary PDG Carmon McCain to extend voting privileges to District Committee Chairpersons, District 2-T2 Hearing Bank Directors, Great Plains Lions Eye Bank Directors, Past District Governors, and Texas Lions Camp Directors in attendance at each Cabinet Meeting during the 2020-2021 fiscal year. *All members of the District Cabinet voted "aye" and the motion was unanimously approved.*

ROLL CALL OF CLUBS

Cabinet Secretary McCain conducted a roll call of clubs present at today's Cabinet Meeting. They are: Littlefield Early Risers; Lubbock; Lubbock Hub; Lubbock Lip Lipscomb; Lubbock Llano; Lubbock Redbud; Lubbock South Plains; Plainview; Ropesville; Shallowater; and Snyder. *(11 of 40 clubs were in attendance or 27.5 percent.)* There may have been other Lions Clubs watching PDG Terry Hawkins' Facebook Live feed.

He asked the Region Chairs and Zone Chairs in attendance to pick up packets for clubs in their respective regions/zones. This will help reduce postage expense.

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 18, 2020 MIDWINTER CONFERENCE, MARCH 28, 2020 ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL, & MAY 30, 2020 ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL.

Cabinet Secretary McCain presented the official minutes of the January 18, 2020 District 2-T2 Midwinter Conference at Lubbock, the March 28, 2020 ZOOM conference call, and the May 30, 2020 ZOOM conference call. There being no additions or corrections, a motion to approve the minutes as printed was made by PDG McCain and seconded by 2nd VDG McDonough. *All voted "aye," and the motion was unanimously approved.*

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

Cabinet Treasurer Bill Cross is unable to attend today's meeting.

IPDG Belk presented the District 2-T2 Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2020 (End of 2019-2020 fiscal year).

As of this date, District 2-T2 has \$20,646.56 in total assets. Of this, \$11,682.28 is liabilities. This includes \$6,530.37 held in reserve for Camp Bark and Brew reserve and \$5,151 held in reserve for travel funds for Texas Lions Camp attendees.

Net income during this time period was \$44,713.74. Additional income from the District 2-T2 Queens Contest and Camp Bark and Brew totaled \$9,275.00

Actual revenue for this time period is \$53,988.74 with \$35,320.24 in total restricted funds, which leaves a balance of \$18,668.50 for District use.

Total operating expenses totaled \$16,972.83, which leaves \$1,695.67 in net revenues over expenditures.

He also presented a summary sheet for club contributions to the District Governor's Humanitarian Contest. Approximately \$15,280.00 was donated by District 2-T2 clubs last year.

A motion was made by IPDG Belk and seconded by PDG Vance Gipson to approve the final 2019-2020 financial report as presented. *All voted "aye," and the motion was unanimously approved.*

APPROVAL OF 2020-2021 BUDGET

IPDG Belk also presented the proposed 2020-2021 budget for discussion.

Total income is projected to be \$48,040.00. This is based on a District membership of 1,100 members as compared to 1,235 members last fiscal year. Projected pass-through funds (MD-2 dues, Texas Lions Camp dues, and promotion funds) are expected to total \$31,900.00. This gives total revenue of \$16,140.00 for District use.

Total expenses are projected to be \$24,640.00. This results in a net budget deficit of \$8,500.00 prior to an estimated transfer of \$8,500.00 from the previous administration. This results in a projected balanced budget at this time.

A motion was made by IPDG Belk and seconded by PDG White to approve the proposed 2020-2021 District –T2 budget as presented. *All voted "aye," and the motion was unanimously approved.*

APPROVAL OF REPOSITORY BANK AND CHECKING ACCOUNT CO-SIGNERS

A motion to continue use of Prosperity Bank in Lubbock as repository of District funds and to authorize District Governor Boyd, Cabinet Treasurer Bill Cross, First Vice District Governor Miller, and PDG White as co-signers for the account was made by PDG Gipson and seconded by PCC Bernie Gradel. *All voted "aye," and the motion was unanimously approved.*

COMMUNICATION

District Governor Boyd read a note from Lion Joe Freeman of the Lubbock Redbud Lions Club. Freeman served as Election Committee Chairman for the 2019-2020 District Convention. Ballots were emailed to qualified voters as a result of the Convention being cancelled due to COVID-19 precautions. Unfortunately, there were some issues with the email addresses which resulted in non-delivery of the ballot to some Lions. Freeman offered his sincere apologies for this. He is unable to attend today's meeting since he has contracted COVID-19 and is recovering at home.

TAILTWISTERS IN ACTION

Tail Twister Nolan Von Roeder raffled door prizes at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business for consideration at today's meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (LCIF)

LCIF Ambassador PDG Jim Petty announced that the LCIF fundraiser, "Campaign 100," will be extended an additional year due to impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Currently, \$157 million of the \$300 million goal has been raised. He asked every District 2-T2 Lions Club to

provide any amount of funds to "Campaign 100" this year. Petty noted that District 2-T2 has been the recipient of LCIF grant funding throughout the years.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

Opportunities for Youth Chair PDG Danny Leake told the group that the Opportunities for Youth Contest will be held during the January 16 Midwinter Conference in Lubbock. He encouraged all clubs to have entries in the Diabetes Essay Contest, Drug Awareness Speech Contest, and the Opportunities for Youth Contest.

The 2020-2021 contest topics are:

- **DIABETES AWARENESS** -- "The Importance of Diabetes Education in Texas Schools (K-12) – A Student's Perspective"
- **DRUG AWARENESS** – "Juuling and E-Cigarette Epidemic"
- **OUTSTANDING YOUTH** – "Innovations and Leading Change Today"

TLC HARRY WICKERSHAM GOLF TOURNAMENT

PCC Bernie Gradel reminded everyone about the 27th annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament benefitting Texas Lions Camp. It will be held July 30, 2020 at Lady Bird Johnson Golf Course in Fredericksburg.

BARK AND BREW/LEADER DOG/WORLD SERVICES FOR THE BLIND

PDG Hawkins is looking at a possible virtual event to take the place of the in-person Camp Bark and Brew event which was originally set for March 28, 2020. It was canceled due to COVID-19 concerns.

She added that World Services for the Blind President and CEO Sharon Giovinazzo is the guest speaker for the August 11 Lubbock Lions Club meeting. She is available to speak to other clubs during her visit to Lubbock. She is accompanied by her new guide dog, "Pilot," who succeeds "Watson," who retired.

PDG Hawkins said Leader Dogs for the Blind has been closed since March due to COVID-19 concerns.

She introduced Llano Lions Club member Dane Clark, who completed orientation at Leader Dog prior to the March closure. It is hoped that he can receive a Leader Dog soon.

TEXAS LIONS CAMP

Texas Lions Camp Director Beverly Ham shared the camp's plans for an online two-week camp experience called "TLC2U." Campers will receive items in "A Box of TLC2U." In

addition, activity videos will launch in early July. The previously-scheduled camp sessions were canceled due to COVID-19 concerns.

RELIEVING THE HUNGER

PDG Gipson told the group that the "U Can Share Food Drive" benefitting South Plains Food Bank will be different this year. Due to COVID-19 concerns, canned food items will not be accepted. Instead, this is a "virtual" Food Drive with an appeal for direct financial contributions. Lions Clubs are encouraged to make a donation during the Food Drive, which takes place December 3-8. Participating clubs will receive a banner patch for their donation. He stressed that this is not a competition between clubs to see which one can donate the most money. He encourages all Lions Clubs to make a donation since the South Plains Food Bank service area includes all of District 2-T2. Additional information is available by contacting Morgan Baker at South Plains Food Bank. His phone number is 806-763-3003 and his email is mbaker@spfb.org

TEXAS LIONS HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS

PDG Peg White reminded clubs that District 2-T2 is eligible to have a deserving Lion inducted into the MD-2 Texas Lions Hall of Fame this year. PDG Terrell Thompson is chairman of the nomination committee. Clubs are encouraged to nominate one of their members and send supporting information to PDG Thompson by October 31.

OTHER REPORTS

PDG James Norton said several Lions made the journey to Ropesville for the club's officer installation and awards dinner. However, the event had to be rescheduled. He also gave a brief report on plans for the upcoming TLC President's Picnic honoring Camp President PDG Gary Linker. He also discussed plans for the Texas Lions Camp Board of Directors ZOOM Meeting in August.

OVERVIEW OF 2020-2021 DISTRICT 2-T2 GOALS

District Governor Boyd shared his 2020-2021 District 2-T2 goals.

They include:

- Approximately 30 percent of District 2-T2 club officers will attend/participate in training sessions for their respective office.

- District 2-T2 will have a gain of 25 new members by June 30, 2021.
- District 2-T2 will charter one new Lions Club and one new Leo Club by June 30, 2021.
- District 2-T2 will have zero dropped members by June 30, 2021.
- 50 percent of District 2-T2 Lions Clubs will report their membership and activities on a regular basis.
- At least 25 percent of District 2-T2 Lions Clubs will participate in LCIF's Campaign 100.
- District 2-T2 Lions Clubs will strive to raise \$15,000 for LCIF by June 30, 2021.
- At least 25 percent of District 2-T2 Lions Clubs will participate in district fundraisers for LCIF.
- District Governor's official visits to each District 2-T2 Lions Club.
- Small Lions Clubs in District 2-T2 shall be given encouragement and direction to continue as a club.
- More frequent visits to Lions Clubs that are less than three years old.

NEW BUSINESS

Information about the 2021 District 2-T2 Photo Contest will be available on the District 2-T2 website and in the next issue of *The Windmill*. Judging is set for the January 16 Midwinter Conference at South Plains Church of Christ in Lubbock. Questions about the contest should be directed to PDG Fredda Buckner.

TAILTWISTERS IN ACTION

Tail Twister Nolan Von Roeder raffled the remaining door prizes at this time. Approximately \$233 was raised today for Texas Boys Ranch.

ADJOURN

District Governor Boyd reminded all Lions that the Second Cabinet Meeting is set for October 17, 2020 in the Garden Room of the Broadway Church of Christ, 1924 Broadway, in Lubbock. South Plains Lions Club is host for the event.

The 2021 Midwinter Conference will be January 16, 2021 at the South Plains Church of Christ, 6802 Elkhart Avenue, in Lubbock. Lubbock Lions is host for the event.

The 2021 District Convention will be April 23-24 at the Broadway Church of Christ, 1924 Broadway, in Lubbock. Lubbock Redbud Lions Club is host for the event.

There being no other business, District Governor Boyd adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

Lunch was catered by Danny's Fins and Hens.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Carmon E. McCain

Lion PDG Carmon E. McCain
2020-2021 Cabinet Secretary