Date: March 16, 2024 Location: Springfield Justice Center, 230 4th St (room EOD- upstairs), Springfield, OR 97477 Acknowledgments: Location arrangements by Lion Darrel Scott; Refreshments furnished by DG Lynn Coon and Lion Rod Bach.

#### 9:00am – Opening

Call to Order & Welcome - DG Lynn greeted 20 attendees.

Pledge of Allegiance – Lion Mike Skinner

Invocation – Lion Diane Bash

Introductions – Attending Lions listed at end of these minutes.

Approval of Minutes – Cabinet Secretary Diane Bash provided copies of the 11/4/2023 Cabinet Meeting minutes.

Motion: PDG Tom Hilgers moved to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Lion Mike

Skinner. Approved.

## \*Full reports are available on the District 36-R website under the *Information* tab.

#### Officer Reports

**District Governor** – DG Lynn Coon – The District Convention was a huge success. Many firsttime attendees. Eugene DT and Cottage Grove both celebrated 100<sup>th</sup> anniversaries recently. The Peace Poster contest was a great success. The Hunger Grant was approved, and continuing paperwork is going forward. Club service reporting is at 91%. Membership needs work – focus on the ones we have, to reduce dropping out. Make meetings fun, help them with dues. Read the upcoming newsletter from him that will come out soon. Adapt to new needs, grow with it. Report submitted.

**Cabinet Secretary** – Diane Bash – Gave highlights of report. Other comments – Good communication with each other in the Cabinet and with Clubs is vital. Report submitted.

**Cabinet Treasurer** – Brian Rangitsch – Not present. <u>DG Lynn shared the report</u>. There is \$2,551.50 remaining of dues to collect and report. Has not paid the MD-36 \$7,739.50, waiting for some dues collection. Lions Quest Grant is slated to be returned unless used. Q – are there other options? DG Lynn shared the possibility of Quest programs opening soon. Report Submitted.

**Motion:** Lion Tom Hilgers moved to approve the financial report as presented. Seconded by Karen Norton. Approved.

**District Coordinator** – Michael Ward – Not present. <u>DG Lynn Coon summarized:</u> Our District is strong, good reporting figures, some Clubs are still struggling with the reporting. Service is being done though. The Monthly Club Health Report goes to each Club. Report submitted.

## Region/Zone Reports

**Region 1** – Allan Oakes – Their club gained a member and lost a member – Lion Margaret Robbins, who passed away. Their Club is working on getting a website. He heard back from Zone 3 only at this point. – DG Lynn mentioned some activities in this Region's Clubs.

**Zone 3** – Bill Scheler – Not present. Report submitted.

**Region 2** – PDG Darrell Scott – Praised the Zone chairs and all their work. Work on recruitment!

**Zone 1** – Edwena Matychuck – She meets with clubs regularly, and they are growing. All Clubs had members that attended the Feb District Convention. JCLC had their 95<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, continue to have speakers and are involved in both signature and new activities. Bethel – the Club is low in numbers but is still makes strong donations. Central Linn – School screening will take place for the first time. Report submitted.

**Zone 2** – Henry Miller – Active Clubs; Doing flags, sight screenings, many new members. Springfield is selling raffle tickets- the beneficiary is CASA. Had a recent "Food Drive" with food donated to Food for Lane County and funds to McKenzie Bible Fellowship Pantry. The Spfld Lions got a donation of \$2K, members adding \$500, total amount split between 3 agencies -Catholic Community Services, Episcopal Church, and Crossfire to help with the effects of the recent ice storm. Report submitted.

**Zone 3** – Karen Norton. Elkton will be having an Easter Egg hunt that she will help with, as well as Fort Umpqua Days Aug 31. Eugene DT has adopted their updated Bylaws and Constitution. "Art Park" supporter. Report submitted.

Region 3 – PDG Judy Kauffman

**Zone 1** – TiAnne Rios- Not Present. Report submitted.

**Zone 2** – PDG Linda Stent - Shared highlights from her report. Report submitted.

#### 10:10-10:20 Break

# **Global Action Team (GAT) Report**

**GLT Coordinator** (Leadership) – Fran Sibernagel – The new portal videos are available and have been distributed. The new portal will likely be in use by July. Training opportunity in June and July. <u>Report submitted.</u>

**GMT Coordinator** (Membership) – PDG Steve Moser. Not present. <u>Report submitted.</u> **GST Coordinator** (Service) – PCC Rod Bach – He passed out the 100 Service Ideas list. Small clubs have stopped some of their activities due to lack of number. Grant – Disaster Preparedness Grant is being applied for \$10,000. A committee has been formed. Each club will be contacted and sent a questionnaire. <u>Report submitted.</u>

# **Committee Reports**

# Convention Chairperson Reports

District Convention – PDG Tom Hilgers; Craig Urbani: Lion Tom – Convention proceeds of \$3,349 netted approximately \$1,000 in profit after all costs have been paid. Some donors contributed. These funds will be used to fund our next District convention. <u>Report submitted.</u>

Awards, Honors & Contests – Paula Hilgers – Congratulations to Eugene Downtown and Mapleton for their winning entries at the District Convention. They are now eligible to compete in the MD Convention in May. Wants to make sure people know and get excited about awards and contests. Gave Lion Diane a lion statue as a contest consolation prize and read off Lion attributes. <u>Report submitted</u>.

**Constitution and Bylaws** – Mike Skinner – Around 45%+ of clubs have taken action and updated their bylaws. The updates happen yearly, and Clubs need to do it each fall. <u>Report submitted.</u>

**Credentials** – Susan Pfanner – Explained that voting did not take place at the District Convention because there were no 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice DG.

**International Understanding and Cooperation** – PID Ed Gear - He explained voting will take place at the MD Convention – two choices of candidates for International Director, Lion Brad King (OLSHF) and Council Chair Lion Phyllis Carlin. Voting cards will come to each Club.

USA/Canada Leadership Forum – Chuck Blanchard – Not present. Report submitted.

# Service Chairperson Reports

**Environmental** – Susan Pfanner – Her report shares ideas for Clubs to give service for Earth Day (April 22<sup>nd</sup>). Go to solve.org for ideas on how to get involved. A link with her report will take you to IP Patty Hill's article on Earth Day. Lions eyeglasses program, those boxed donations can be sent with Safeway/Alberton drivers to Portland. Lion Jim O added that service activities can attract new members, like the glasses donations and environmental efforts. His club EDLC is recruiting members from the 20-30 club when they time out at 40. <u>Report submitted.</u>

**Hunger Relief** – Michael Cairns – Not present. DG Lynn reiterated that the Grant has been approved but we need another \$2,700 to fulfil our obligation. Please make a first time or another contribution to help meet this goal. <u>Report submitted.</u>

**Childhood Cancer Committee** – Karen Norton – Camp representatives speak in Lions Clubs. Lion Rod Bach and DG Lynn added that the Kiwanis presenter, John, from the 36R Convention is willing to come visit individual Clubs. <u>Report submitted.</u>

**Sight Preservation, Awareness, and Action** – Jim Origliosso – The Multiple District numbers are at 150,000 kids screened in schools, and over 90,000 pairs of glasses have been recycled. <u>Report submitted.</u>

**Disaster Response** – PDG Linda Stent – Highlighted her report about the Disaster Preparedness Project, and they are working on an LCIF Disaster Preparedness Grant. Each community government has a person over preparedness. Lions will be the feet on the ground to help distribute emergency supplies. <u>Report submitted.</u>

**Camp Representative** – Bruce Schnieber – Not present. <u>Report submitted</u>. (Gales Creek Cleanup is June 1<sup>st</sup> at 9-noon and they will feed you lunch.)

#### Other Chairperson Reports

**District Honorary** – PID Ed Gear – Our MD Executive Secretary Leah Malcom is retiring from this (paid) position in June. They are in search of a new ES, through the Oregon Lions magazine, April edition. They will also look at Non-Lions to hire as necessary, and are looking for interested people. <u>Send Club officer information to Lion Leah as soon as possible after May 15<sup>th</sup>.</u>

**Information Technology** – David Nielson – The biggest issue is "getting information". He needs calendar events sent in. He may need to create a new tab for "extra" things that don't already fall into a category. He sent a post-convention survey, the results going to the Committee. Policy Manual needs to be clarified, and re-written. He will be writing up suggestions to send in. <u>Report submitted.</u>

**LCIF District Coordinator** – PDG Steve Moser – Not present. <u>Report submitted</u>. **Finance and Budget** – Brian Rangitsch (With Treasurer's report)

**PDG Association Representative –** PDG Dale Bachman. Asked Clubs to send information to DG Lynn and cc Diane Bash, Linda Stent, and Lions Heart Debbie Bach about those who have passed away so they can be honored at the MD Convention. PDG meeting March 25, in Junction City – objective to appoint a 2024-2025 District Governor. <u>Report submitted.</u>

# **Opportunities for Youth Reports**

Peace Poster Contest – TiAnne Rios not present. Information available on District Website Reading Action Program – Judy Bachman; Monica Hinkle. Lion Judy shared highlights of her report. SMART Reading Director Laurie McNichols expressed her gratitude for the partnership with Lions District 36-R. Please see all upcoming events this spring. <u>Report submitted.</u> Scouting – PDG Steve Moser – Not present. Camporees are coming up. <u>Report submitted.</u> Youth Camp and Exchange – Bruce Schnieber – Not present. <u>Report submitted.</u>

# Old Business - None

# New Business

- Basket raffles at the convention Eugene Downtown sold the most tickets, and Bethel won best entry. They each won \$100, out of the proceeds which amounted to \$1,427; \$409 each went to Heartfelt House, Camp Ukandu, and Camp Millennium.
- Discussion regarding meetings and increased communication: Zone meetings Lion Rod Bach pointed out that we are not holding zone meetings, and he believes meetings will bring people together to promote committee participation, and increase the communication to clubs. Also, Region Chairs should be having meetings with Zone leaders, as Lion Allan Oakes pointed out. DG Lynn has been to those in the past. He encouraged us to start doing these meetings again. Sharing these responsibilities helps the District Governor, who is unable to do everything. He visits once or twice to each Club to get to know and support the members. Lion Judy Bachman if increased communication can extend to the District Committee Chairs, it can help them too.
- Lion Edwena M. gave an update on Lion Pearl from Bethel LC who has cancer there was a Go Fund Me in the District. She is having a bone marrow transplant.

# > <u>Needed! Take a group picture in your Club and send it to Lion Henry Miller!</u>

# Adjourned at 12:30

Group photos were taken afterwards by Lion Henry Miller.

Minutes submitted by District Secretary Diane Bash

**Open Cabinet Positions:** 

- Diabetes Awareness & Action
- Hearing Preservation, Awareness and Action
- Public Relations & Lions Information
- Leo
- Lions Quest

Lions who attended this meeting:

DG Lynn Coon – Junction City
Diane Bash – Junction City
Mike Skinner – Junction City
Fran Silbernagel – Stayton
Dave Nielson - Stayton
Maryann Nielson - Stayton
PDG Dale Bachman – Springfield
Judy Bachman – Springfield
Darrell Scott – Springfield
Henry Miller - Springfield
PCC Rod Bach - Central
PID Ed Gear – Eugene DT
Susan Pfanner – Eugene DT
Jim Origliosso – Eugene DT
Karen Norton – Eugene DT
Allan Oakes - Jefferson
PDG Linda Stent - Mapleton
Tom Hilgers – West Salem
Paula Hilgers – West Salem
Edwena Matychuck – E. Bethel