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## DISTRICT 36-R Q2 2025 CABINET MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** November 15, 2025 **Scheduled Time:** 10am-1:00pm

**Location:** Festhalle Event Center, 1055 N Main St, Mt Angel, OR 97362

**Attendance:** 21 lions in attendance

**Refreshments:** Refreshments available. Thank you to those that brought them.

### **10:07 AM Opening of Meeting, due to change of venue:**

- Call to Order by DG Lion Karen Norton, attendance sheet passed around.
- Pledge of Allegiance – DG Karen led the pledge and gave her favorite quote from Helen Keller.
- Moment of Silence in honor of those who have recently experienced losses and hardships
- Introductions – DG Karen had everyone introduce themselves. Lion Diane Bash attended via ZOOM.
- Welcome, Comments & Announcements – DG Karen Norton announced the deadline for the Peace Poster contest is today. We currently have 3 posters - one from Yachats, Cottage Grove, and Central Lions Clubs.

### **Approval of Minutes from Q1 Cabinet Meeting**

**Motion:** Lion Rod Bach moved to approve minutes from the August 23rd Cabinet Meeting, with a second from Lion Fran Camacho-Silbernagel; Motion carried.

### **Officer Reports**

- District Governor – DG Lion Karen Norton
  - She announced that she will have visited all 31 District R clubs by the end of November.
  - She stated January is our next Week of Service/Hunger Global Cause. More information will be forth coming.
  - She requested that everyone please fill out the survey on your tables to help determine our next District activity in support of our next Week of Service, January 3<sup>rd</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>.
  - She encouraged everyone to visit the District Web site and reviewed what info was available on the site. There is a new tab “Contact Form” on the web site. Please see Lion Dave Nielson’s report. *Lion Heart* cards are now available to request from Lion Debbie Bach on the District web site to send to Lions with health issues or as a memorial condolence.
  - She reported we had 15 Lions certified as “Guiding Lions” in Tangent on Nov. 8th. This program will help new clubs just getting started and old ones that may need support.
  - She asked for volunteers to help with the Service Carnival. Sign up is on our Website.
  - Announcement. There will be a ZOOM meeting Monday for marketing at 10:00 am.
  - Discussion occurred on putting together a committee to work on getting Lions Quest going here in Oregon.
- Immediate Past District Governor - Lion Linda Stent -
  - Linda updated everyone on the upcoming District 36R convention. Date: Feb. 7, 2026, our International Guest will be PIP Lion Patti Hill. Club secretaries need to make sure they are in good standing with LCI to be able to vote.
  - The Multiple District Convention will be at the Holiday Inn Express in Springfield, Oregon on May 29th through the 30th. Our MD36 International Guest will be PIP Lion Doug Alexander.
- First Vice District Governor - OPEN Contact DG Karen if you know of someone that may be interested.
- Second Vice District Governor - OPEN
- Cabinet Secretary – Temporary fill-in for Lion Diane Bash – Lion Kelly Tharp, Corvallis Lions Club was introduced.
- Cabinet Treasurer: Finance & Budget –Lion Brian Rangitsch – Report is on the Website and as a handout.

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- **Motion:** Lion Linda Stent moved to approve the last Treasurer's Report from the Q1 meeting. Lion Lynn Coon seconded. Motion carried.

### **Administration Reports**

- District Administrator – Karen announced that Lion Dr. Mark Newsome, Corvallis Lions club is starting to learn his new fill-in position as District Administrator.
- District Marketing Chair – *Crystal Weber resigned October 2025* - Position OPEN
- Information Technology + Public Relations & Lions Information– David Nielson
  - David reviewed his report which is available on the web site. He stated that he needs clubs to check on their members to see who are, or are not, getting the District newsletter emails.
  - Discussion occurred on who can and who cannot vote at Cabinet meetings. Karen explained that while it has been standard practice for all present Cabinet members to vote, we need to make it official that all Cabinet members be allowed to vote. David stated that to change who can vote will need to be done at the convention as it will take an amendment to the bylaws. Karen made a "Proclamation" that everyone that is on the Cabinet gets to vote for the remainder of the year..

### **MD Representative Reports**

- Constitution & By-Laws – Lion David Nielson
  - He reviewed the need for a resolution for the bylaws changes for voting privileges. See "Old Business" below.
- District Honorary Committee – PID Ed Gear
- International Understanding & Cooperation - PID Ed Gear:
- LCIF Coordinator – Lion Pat Paradis, Woodburn Lions - Report is on the Website
- PDG Association Rep - PDG Lion Linda Stent
- Policy Manual - OPEN

### **Global Action Team Reports**

- Extension (GET)– DG Lion Karen Norton
  - She discussed the importance of getting new clubs started. She is working with PDG Lion Linda Stent and the District GAT team to get new clubs started in Veneta and Sweet Home.
  - She will visit Mapleton club on Monday, in case anyone wants to join her.
  - Discussion occurred on a potential marketing grant for membership development and a \$1,500.00 grant is available to start a Lions Quest program.
- Leadership (GLT) – Lion Susan Planner - Report is on the Website.
- Membership (GMT) – Lion Lynn Coon
  - He reported that all Districts are doing well with membership. He talked about using an Exit form to use as a tool to find out why Lions chose to leave a club. People can email him for copies and he will also send them out to secretaries by e-mail.
- Service (GST) – Lion Rod Bach
  - He reviewed the results of the Food Drive. Grand prize winner: Jefferson Lions with 321lbs per member. Followed by, Silverton getting a pie for a \$1,000.00 donation. Other high achieving clubs were; Cottage Grove, Junction City Eugene Downtown, Corvallis. All club donations from our District came to a total pounds of 3,423 lbs.

11:16 – 11:28 break

### **Region/Zone Reports – please see available reports on our website.**

**Region 1 Zone 1** – Lion Fran Camacho-Silbernagel (Mill City, Salem Downtown, Salem South Stayton) Report submitted. Stayton Lions took on the City of Turner (zip code 97392) for South Salem Lion's club area for Sight & Hearing needs. Willamette Valley Vineyards in Turner robustly

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supports the club's poinsettia sales year. The club also took on the Sight needs for the closed NE Salem Club's 97305 and 97317 zip codes, for the rest of the year. Salem Downtown Lions Club took over their hearing needs.

Zone 2 – Lion Jon DeBo - (Central, Dallas, Keizer, Mt. Angel, Salem West, Silverton, Woodburn) Report submitted. The Dallas club is down to 4 members and needs support for a membership drive. Silverton Lions finished a scheduled road clean up activity and school vision screenings.

Zone 3 – Lion Bill Scheler (Albany East, Corvallis, Jefferson, Philomath) Report submitted. Lion Bill suggested ice cream to go with the apple pies..

**Region 2** Zone 1 -Lion Edwena Matychuck (Alvadore-Franklin, Central Linn, Eugene Bethel, Junction City) Report submitted. Alvadore-Franklin Lions now meet on the first Monday of the month.

Zone 2 Lion Henry Miller (Mohawk Valley, Springfield) Springfield Lions are still collecting cans and completed a road clean-up activity. The Mohawk Lions club is working with the High School Leos program

Zone 3. Lion Reilly Newman (Cottage Grove, Eldon, and Eugene Downto Housewn) Cottage Grove completed their school vision screenings and had a successful annual "Radio Station Take-over" fundraising project. Eugene Downtown Lions are getting ready for their 16<sup>th</sup> annual Breakfast with Santa and Mrs Claus at Heartfelt House.

**Region 3** Zone 1 – Lion TiAnne Rs (Newport, Yachats) No Report. TiAnne was absent as her daughter is having her 3rd child and Grandma needs to be there to help.

Zone 2 – PDG Lion Linda Stent (Florence-Siuslaw, Gardiner-Reedsport, Lakeside, Mapleton) Report submitted. Florence Lions are working on setting up a 'car-pool' service for getting members to meetings who do not like to drive at night.

### Committee Reports

#### Convention Chairperson Reports

- Awards, Honors, & Contests – Lion Monika Henkle – No Report- DG Karen stated she will get Monika in contact with the MD36 Chair.
- Convention Planning - PDG Lion Linda Stent & Lion Fran Camacho-Silbernagel
  - Convention updates given. Holiday Express has been reserved. Room going for \$139.00/night plus tax. The caterers are hired. Basket raffle will be 50/50 (half to convention fund and half to be decided) Theme: "Leave a Lion Legacy"
- Credential – Lion Susan Pfanner
  - She reported that Jan 1, 2026 emails will be sent to club secretaries. They need to make sure their clubs are in good standing with LCI, so they vote at the convention.
- Protocol/Parliamentarian - Craig Urbani – No Report

#### Service Chairperson Reports

- Camps Rep – Lion Monica Henkle – No Report
- Canine Services - OPEN
- Childhood Cancer – DG Karen Norton
  - Karen reported on what's happening with support for the Candlelighter's.
- Diabetes Awareness & Action - PDG Holly Sparks --- No Report
- Disaster Response – Lion Jim Origliosso
  - He reported they are looking for venders who would agree to be on a list to help supply food during disasters. He updated everyone on the Emergency buckets and that our connection for Star Link is up. He plans to try for a Hunger Grant by the end of the year. See report on-line for details and Grant Proposal.
- Environmental - Susan Pfanner – Report submitted

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- Discussion occurred on the Club Excellence award's new requirements. 10% of each club needs to have participated in each Week of Service, including Mental Health, to qualify.
- Hearing Preservation, Awareness & Action - OPEN
- Hunger Relief - Lion Steve Moser- No report
- Sight Preservation, Awareness, & Action – Lion Dr. Tim Arbow: No report

### Opportunities for Youth Reports

- Leos - DG Karen reported that Newport Leos has money in an account, but so far, no kids. Both her and Lion Henry stated that Mohawk Valley is working on reinstating a Leos club.
- Lions Quest - OPEN --- PDG Linda Stent stated that she attended the International's conventions session on Lions Quest. She and DG Karen are looking for someone to chair this post. Discussion occurred. This program is not yet active in Oregon.
- Peace Poster – Lion TiAnne Rios --- No report
- Reading Action Program – Lion Judy Bachman --- Judy reported that a Sight Coordinator is needed in Eugene area. Smart Reading program is in the South Valley and they are giving away 5 million children's books!
- Scouting - Lion Steve Moser – No Report.
- Youth can Exchanged (International exchanges ) OPEN

### Old Business

- Cabinet Approval of Outstanding Grants discussed by DG Lion Karen
  - 1.) #MATT5983/36 R, Construct Patient Guest House, approved 1/13/2018 for \$100,000.00. **This grant was for the construction of the Ronald McDonald Heartfelt House in Springfield, OR.**
  - 2.) # DPR173525/36 R & DCG17388, Disaster Preparedness & Local Match for the Grant, approved 9/24/2019 & 9/27/2019, for \$10,000.00 & \$500.00. **This Grant was to provide emergency backpacks to all classrooms in the Central School District.**
  - 3.) #DCG17998/36 R, Activity for Children's Diabetes Camp, approved 3/26/2020, for \$800.00. **This Grant was to make kits to make birdhouses for kids at Gales Creek Camp.*****MOTION:** By PDG Lion Holly Sparks to approve all three Grants, with a second by PCC Lion Lynn Coon. Motion carried.*
- Three proposed resolutions for the Convention reviewed by David Nielson. Details on Website.
  - 1. Amending Article to Increase the Convention fund tax
  - 2. District Revenue to Increase the Administrative Fund tax.
  - 3. District Cabinet Committees: Giving all Cabinet positions voting rights.

### New Business

- District Convention speaker ideas discussed. Honor Flight, Lions Quest, Canine Program, Coffee Creek Woman's Prison Puppy Training program, and Club success stories all recommended.

### **12:30 Adjournment**

**Minutes submitted by – Lion Kelly Tharp - Corvallis Lions Club, Temporary District Cabinet Secretary**

All available reports are on the District Website under the *Information* tab [Cabinet Mtg Information](#)

## Information Technology Report

### Q3 Cabinet Mtg 2/6/2026

On convention Friday afternoon, I will be available in the convention space to help with or answer questions about:

- Club tax-exempt status
- State LLC filing status
- Constitution & By-Laws
- Lions Liability Insurance
- e-clubhouse website editing
- Google tools
- Square
- Club brochures
- Excel budget template
- Working with pdf files
- other?

Drop by the table in the Riverbend 3 room of the convention venue and we'll try to answer them! Please see the full convention schedule on the convention page of the district website for more information.

District website homepage: [https://e-district.org/sites/district\\_36\\_r/index.php](https://e-district.org/sites/district_36_r/index.php)

Lion David Nielson  
District 36-R IT Chairperson

## Public Relations & Lions Information Report

### Q3 Cabinet Mtg 2/6/2025

Recent promotional material created and distributed for:

- Winter Hunger Relief Service Challenge
- District Convention Online Promotion
- Convention Advertising Sponsors Banner Ads
- Governors Message
- District-Wide emails

Lion David Nielson  
District PR&LI Chairperson

## **Constitution & By-Laws Report**

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The three proposed By-Laws change resolutions will be voted on by club voting delegates at the 102<sup>nd</sup> District 36-R convention on February 7th. Any approved resolutions become effective upon the close of the convention.

I will notify the District Treasurer with the official results of the financial resolutions and update the official District 36-R Constitution and By-Laws published on the district website as necessary.

Lion David Nielson

District 36-R Constitution & By-Laws Chairperson



Childhood Cancer Awareness Report  
DG Karen Norton  
February, 6, 2026 Cabinet Report

Hi all,

This is my District report on Childhood Cancer Awareness. There are actually activities we as Lions can participate in. As you can see from this email, Candlelighters is a great organization. They not only provide activities for these kids, but support for families, siblings and grief support. I believe we as Lions clubs need to think about getting involved.

Thank you,  
DG Lion Karen

Español



## Candlelighters Family Activities January & February 2026

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**JAN  
13**

### **Mid-Willamette Valley Parent's Bingo Night Out**

**Eugene Elks Lodge, 5:45 pm**

Come spend a fun evening with other Mid-Willamette Valley Candlelighters' parents over bingo and dinner!

[Learn More & RSVP here by January 8](#)

**JAN  
18**

### **Mid-Willamette Valley January Freeze**

Eugene Elks Lodge, 2:00 pm

Join us for an afternoon of delicious ice cream, games, and prizes for all!

[Learn More & RSVP here by January 12](#)

**JAN  
22**

### **PDX/Vancouver Mom's Night Out**

Tous Les Jours, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Meet other moms and enjoy delicious pastries at Tous les Jours in Beaverton!

[Learn More & RSVP here by January 19](#)

**FEB  
7**

### **PDX/Vancouver Parent's Night Out**

Red Robin, Beaverton, 5:00 - 7:00pm (4:45pm child dropoff)

Enjoy an evening of connection and delicious food with other Candlelighters parents at Red Robin in Beaverton—childcare provided!

[Learn More & RSVP here by February 2](#)

**FEB  
16**

### **Mid-Willamette Valley Mom's Night Out**

BJ's Restaurant & Brew House, Valley River, 5:30 - 8:00pm

Meet other Mid-Willamette Valley Candlelighters mom's over a dinner at BJ's Restaurant & Brew House!

[Learn More & RSVP here by February 13](#)

**FEB  
21**

### **Luminaries Outing to Dave & Buster's**

Dave & Busters, Clackamas Town Center, 3:00 - 5:00pm

Luminaries are invited to Dave & Busters at Clackamas Town Center for a appetizers/drinks and game time!

[Learn More & RSVP here by February 17](#)

**FEB  
TBA**

### **Southern Oregon Bowling Party**

More info and date to come!

## **Ongoing Programs**

**Siblings' Club Survey** 🧡 **Your Input is Needed** 🧡

We know siblings of kids with cancer have their own unique needs, and we'd love to create special, fun events just for them. Your input will help us shape the who, what, and when of a new Siblings' Club that truly supports them. **[Take the quick survey here.](#)**

### **The Luminaries**

The Luminaries is a supportive social group for youth (aged 13-21) who have been diagnosed with cancer and for their siblings. Join to find out about our in-person fun activities. To sign up and learn more, contact **[Nicole Ek](#)**.

### **Bereaved Families**

Interested in connecting with other bereaved families? Contact our Program Director, Nicole Ek, for more information about upcoming events and opportunities.

### **Familias Latinas**

Throughout the year, we offer family activities such as bowling, a summer picnic, lunch and loteria and more as a way for Latino families to meet one another and form strong bonds as they deal with their pediatric cancer journey. To sign up and learn more, contact **[Nicole Ek](#)**.

### **OMSI Passes**

If you live in Portland or are visiting, Candlelighters families can request **[OMSI](#)** general admission passes for free. Let us know two business days in advance of the date you would like to visit, and fill out the request form on the right side of the page **[here](#)**.

## **Resources**

### **Cancer Resources for Families**

We have an updated and improved Resource Guide for pediatric cancer families. It is organized into categories, including resources for activities, aftercare/survivorship, camps, disease-specific resources, financial assistance, grief and bereavement support, mentorship, lodging, scholarships, sibling support, transportation assistance, wigs and hats, wish-granting, and general national resources. Download the guide **[here](#)**.

## **Text Signup**

Opt in to our texting list to be the first to know about special events and limited tickets!

### **How to Sign Up:**

1. Text "YES" to **79041** to opt in to text messages from Candlelighters.
2. Email **[Rachel@CandlelightersOregon.org](mailto:Rachel@CandlelightersOregon.org)** that you have opted in to complete the setup process.

Family Activities are always FREE for Candlelighters families.  
If you have any questions, please contact, Program Director, **[Nicole Ek](#)**  
**[www.candlelightersoregon.org](http://www.candlelightersoregon.org)**