Date: January 18, 2025

Location: The Moose Lodge 427 Front Street, Junction City, OR 97401

Refreshments were provided by DG Linda Stent - Thank you!

*Minutes are recorded for those present or represented only.

Call to Order by DG Linda Stent at 10:04 Pledge of Allegiance by VDG Karen Norton Invocation by Lion Diane Bash

Welcome: DG Linda Stent thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Approval of Minutes: The Q1 Mtg minutes were reviewed by Cabinet Secretary Diane Bash.

Motion: Council Chair Lynn Coon moved to approve the minutes from September 14, 2024; Seconded by VDG Karen Norton; Passed unanimously.

(Please see full reports on the District Website)

Officer Reports

District Governor DG Linda Stent highlighted her report. She is still working on scheduling visits with some remaining clubs in the District. New members are joining several clubs. Officer training is coming up in June. Lion Fran isn't present as she has a bad knee. Details for this training are TBD. She explained what the Global Action Team (GAT) members do. Sweethome area needs their own Lions Club. 2nd ID Mark Lyon led a 2-day workshop in Keizer on Mission 1.5, and 27 clubs were represented there from MD 36 and MD 19. Use of Al was encouraged.

The convention committee is working hard to prepare for the upcoming- Feb 8th meeting in Corvallis. Convention speakers include keynote speaker Lions International Director Judge Anthony Paradiso, District IT David Nielson; Lion TiAnne will do the Peace Poster Presentation; Candlelighters, OLSHF hearing program (ROAR), Lion Jim O on Disaster Preparedness, LCI presentation, Awards, voting, and election results by Lion Craig. Register online; Friday night meet and greet must be registered for ahead of time.

Immediate Past District Governor PDG Lynn Coon - It would be nice to have the whole Cabinet present at the Cabinet meetings. Our service reporting needs to increase. We are at 60+%, leading the multi-District at present. Clarification was made regarding what counts as service and an email of information will be sent out by Lion Diane. Make sure your club hosts the DG so her messages get to each one. PDGs need to work on getting a 1st and 2nd VDG for the next year.

First Vice District Governor Lion Karen Norton – She is preparing for becoming the next District Governor. She will be securing Cabinet positions for next year, and getting ready to go to Chicago in February, and to the conventions of other Districts. All information from the Keizer training can help us quickly get helpful information for us – see chatgpt.com.

Cabinet Secretary Lion Diane Bash would like to hear from each Cabinet member and get all reports prior to our quarterly meetings. Turning in your Cabinet position service hours is important. Please do so to enable me to report them at the District level. Please let me know any important information you would like me to get out to other clubs or cabinet members, as well as get them on the district website.

I hear concerns coming in about people having burn out – let's open this conversation and support each other- is doing less the answer or doing more to problem solve and involve others to gain momentum?

How is your communication with the board in your club? Keep them informed!

- o Lion Lynn encouraged us to focus on retention of members by serving them.
- Lion Karen's Club started a Membership & Retention committee, which has helped a lot!

Cabinet Treasurer/Finance & Budget – Lion Brian Rangitsch was not in attendance, so DG Linda shared the finance report, reading account balances.

Motion: PDG Tom Hilgers moved to approve the Treasurer's Report; CC Lynn Coon seconded the motion; Passed unanimously.

Region/Zone Reports

Region 1 Zone 2 Chair Lion John DeBo

<u>Central Lions Club:</u> They are just finishing their Poinsettia sale the Tuesday before Thanksgiving. They are going to have a crab feed at Eola Hills Winery Saturday February 15, 2025 (visit the District Website for more info). Santa training on December 7th, vision screening Dec 10,11 and 12 and they will be doing bell ringing for the Salvation Army.

<u>Silverton Lions Club:</u> They are just starting their annual See's Candy Sale November 30 – December 24 which I am chairman. They are developing a placement for the Resilience grant they received from the state for the Disaster Preparedness Plan.

Region 2

Zone 1 – Lion Edwena Matychuck - <u>Alvadore-Franklin</u> has only 8 members, did a holiday bizarre; <u>Central Linn</u> did a poinsettia sale, has new members; <u>Eugene Bethel</u> is sponsoring a Boy Scout club; Junction City did a Classroom Flags project, Roadside cleanup, Christmas parade, and has new members joining.

Zone 2 Chair Lion Henry Miller Mohawk Valley meets once a month, donated 40 turkeys to families along with other service; Springfield – Involved in school screenings, fundraisers, many service activities, and is getting ready for annual raffle sales. Did a party and a Christmas parade!

Zone 3 – Lion Reilly Newman, report shared by VDG Karen Norton.

Cottage Grove has a radio event fundraiser, screened in 7 schools; Elkton placed flags on graves, adopted teens for Christmas support; Eugene Downtown did the Santa breakfast, screened 25 schools, and will do a Mother/Father's Day raffle.

Global Action Team (GAT) Reports

GMT Coordinator Lynn Coon CC – Has been emailing clubs about membership. Get new members involved in needed positions and activities. Communicate, build membership regularly. Use opportunities as they come up. Reach out to new members. Find the passion of new members so they are motivated to get involved.

GST Coordinator PCC Rod Bach – Offer positive feedback to members, encourage them and show appreciation. Have projects going and include members as much as possible. Think outside the box and have new people involved in your projects. Eyeglasses here are available to be handed out to those in need. Emergency buckets will be going out in a couple of weeks to fire victims. Northwest Lions Leadership Institute is happening May 1-4, in Post Falls, Idaho.

Committee Reports

Convention Chairperson Reports

Convention Planning Chair PDG Tom Hilgers – Highlighted his report. There will be two candidates for the OLSHF trustee. On Friday night, the COG meeting ends at 4pm, Social hour at 5; dinner at 6.

Credentials Chair Lion Susan Pfanner – Get delegate cards signed and assigned to those coming to the convention who are eligible to vote.

Service Chairperson Reports

Environmental Chair Lion Susan Pfanner – As of January 2025, business can not give out or sell Styrofoam containers.

Childhood Cancer Chair Lion VDG Karen Norton Wants to include childhood cancer at the convention. Candlelighters will be bringing a family who has been helped to the convention.

Other Chairperson Reports

LCIF District Coordinator PDG Dale Bachman – Old news, LCIF giving Tuesday; LCIF awarded \$100,000 grant to wildfires in California. Encouraged to donate on behalf of Melvin Jones during his birthday week. Utilize LCIF website regarding getting grants. Also use YouTube and Facebook. Lion Susan reported that her club "passed the hat" and donated for southern California.

PDG Association Representative PDG Dale Bachman – We should all be working to fill empty VDG positions. January 22nd at 7 pm Zoom mtg for PDG or any interested members.

Opportunities for Youth Reports

Reading Action Program Chair Lion Judy Bachman highlighted her report. Reading programs names and contact information is available on the website. Please see her report. Many volunteers and some leadership positions are needed in reading programs. Links for Lane County resources are available on the Imagination Library website. Please consider volunteering, etc. The LCI website has resources to help literacy. Feb 2024 statistics show the ongoing need to promote literacy skills.

New Business -

From Lion DG Linda

- 1. Mexico vision trip happening in April more info will be available at the convention.
- 2. Scams are happening regarding LCIF &, so be careful!
- 3. DG Linda and Secretary Diane Bash will be unavailable from February 11th 23rd (We'll be in Costa Rica!)

Adjourned at 1:31

- > *Next Cabinet Meeting (Q3) will be on Saturday, March 15th at the Masonic Lodge in Albany 421 W 1st Ave. More information to follow.
- ▶ Q4 Cabinet Mtg June 21st, in Yachats.

Minutes by: Cabinet Secretary Diane Bash