

These minutes are being submitted for approval at the November 12, 2009 Cabinet Meeting

MINUTES
OHIO LIONS DISTRICT 13-C
THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 2009
Clarion Inn Hudson – Hudson, Ohio

CALL TO ORDER: District Governor PDG Lion Grant Frazier
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 2nd VDG Lion Mary Chentnik
INVOCATION: Lion Ada Ahrens
PROTOCOL: PDG Lion John Hrovat
INTRODUCTIONS: District Governor PDG Lion Grant Frazier

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Cabinet Secretary Lion Jean Sheeley reminded all that minutes of the previous Cabinet Meeting are available on the District website, as well as at the meeting. Lion Jean also thanked previous Cabinet Secretary 2nd VDG Lion Mary Chentnik for preparing the comprehensive notebook of materials necessary for the Cabinet Secretary. The 2009-2010 District Directories were distributed to those in attendance.

A motion to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2009 Cabinet Meeting was made by PDG Lion Jim Ferritto and seconded by PDG Lion John Hrovat. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Cabinet Treasurer Lion Neil Sheeley reported that the first half dues have not yet been billed due to the unresolved question of the \$2 dues assessment. Once this issue has been resolved, dues will be billed based on the May 31 membership of 1109. Of the \$568 total dues receivable, \$306 from one club (dating back to July 2008) is probably not collectible. This club appears to be current with International dues but not the District, and DG PDG Lion Grant Frazier is requesting advice from International as to how to proceed.

PDG Lion Ken Marshall examined the 2008-2009 District 13-C financial records, and his report indicated that the records accurately reflect the financial condition of the District. The report also noted the continuing problem of some missing expense vouchers to support various reimbursement requests.

PDG Lion Maggie Dellmore moved, Lion Jim Klages seconded, that the Treasurer's report be approved, subject to audit. Motion carried.

2nd VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S COMMENTS:

Second Vice District Governor Lion Mary Chentnik reported that all participants had a great time at the August 8 Twins Day Parade. She thanked the Nordonia Hills Lions, and Lions Jim and Debbie Feils in particular, for suggesting and coordinating the event. The Lions contingent

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included about 40 marchers, as well as a pilot dog and twin Lions mascots. Second VDG Lion Mary hopes that the parade will be considered again next year. Lion Chuck Barton suggested getting District Lions together to march in other community parades.

1st VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S COMMENTS:

First Vice District Governor Lion Marty Dennis reported that she is chairing the MERL team. Since extension is being stressed at the International and State levels, it will be necessary to incur additional expenses to increase our extension efforts. Guiding Lion training will be available at the State level.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S COMMENTS:

- International President Wirfs' theme is "Move to Grow."
- At the recent Council of Governors meeting, it was announced that membership decreased by 35 overall in the state, but that two districts are on the plus side, one of which is District 13-C.
- Redistricting is still an option, and in order to retain the identity of our District, we must grow.

ZONE CHAIR REPORTS:

Zone 1 - No report

Zone 2 - Zone Chair Lion Ray Dellmore reported that the first Zone meeting is scheduled for September 15 at 6:30 at the Willoughby Hills Library.

Zone 3 - Zone Chair Lion Jim Klages thanked DG PDG Lion Grant for giving him the opportunity to continue as Zone Chair. He will be active in visiting the clubs. The first Zone meeting of the year will be a picnic on September 22 at the Ellenwood Recreation Center, hosted by the Bedford Lions.

Zone 4 - Zone Chair Lion Dick Abrams announced the coming joint Zone 4 and Zone 6 meeting on September 17, hosted the Cleveland Host Club, at Grumpy's Restaurant on West 14th Street.

Zone 5 - Zone Chair Lion Shirley Frazier reported that the Stow-Munroe Falls Lions will host the first Zone meeting on September 22 at Bellachino's Restaurant. Further club activities are detailed in the attached report.

Zone 6 - Zone Chair PDG Lion Tommy Thompson reiterated the announcement about the joint Zones 4 and 6 meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Twins Day Parade: Lion Dick Dennis thanked the Feils and the Nordonia Hills Lions for all their work in organizing the Lions' participation in the Twins Day Parade. The official parade t-shirt was displayed.

District Good Program: Lion Chuck Barton wore the special "Going On Or Defeated" t-shirt designed for this program. He would like to visit all Zone Meetings to explain the District Good Program, which is aimed at encouraging students who are not the highest achievers. PDG Lion Neil Bever mentioned that the Cuyahoga Falls Lions used this program in the past and found it

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beneficial to work with the board of education and let the schools identify those students who are qualified to participate.

Ohio Lions Foundation, School for the Blind Band: DG PDG Lion Grant Frazier read Lion Dan Lester's report, which stated that the Ohio School for the Blind Band has raised \$46,381 to date for their trip to the 2010 Rose Bowl Parade, and that the band has increased to 35 members.

Membership: Lion Wallie Burnett was out of town, but her membership report was available on the table and is attached.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Reauthorization of \$2.00 District Dues Charge: This item of business was tabled at the June 4, 2009 Cabinet Meeting. Lion Ada Ahrens moved, PDG Lion Tommy Thompson seconded, that the \$2.00 District Dues Charge be reauthorized. Motion carried.

District Photocopier: Lion Dick Abrams advised that a Samsung desk-top photocopier/printer is available from Office Max at a cost of \$200. Lion Dick feels this is adequate for copying the District bulletins and is a good alternative to purchasing a full size copier for \$1,600, as quoted by Ace Copier. A motion to purchase the \$200 Samsung copier was made by PDG Lion Maggie Dellmore and seconded by IPDG Lion Dona Klages. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

State Building Committee: DG PDG Lion Grant Frazier read a letter from PDG Lion John Hrovat in which he regretfully resigned as Trustee of the State Building Committee. DG PDG Lion Grant asked Lion Bob Ahrens to fill this position, and Lion Bob agreed to do so.

St. Vincent Lions Eye Clinic: Lion Neil Sheeley advised that the Hospital asked the Lions Eye Clinic to renovate three examination rooms to accommodate upgraded wiring for the equipment. The Lions provided equipment for the three examination rooms in 1990. Lion Neil stated that the Eye Clinic would apply for grants from LCIF and the Ohio Lions Foundation to offset the renovation expenses. PDG Lion Tommy Thompson advised that the Cabinet must approve grant requests before they are presented to the Council of Governors. PDG Lion Tommy moved, IPDG Lion Dona Klages seconded, that the Cabinet approve the Eye Clinic's request for matching grants. Motion carried.

2009-2010 Budget: Lion Neil Sheeley reported that a preliminary 2009-2010 District 13-C budget (based on approval of the \$2.00 Dues Charge) was presented to DG PDG Lion Grant Frazier and the Cabinet members who attended the organizational meeting on June 11, 2009. Budgeted expenditures are \$1,745 in excess of anticipated receipts. In order to achieve the District Governor's goals for extension, membership growth and promotion, and to comply with Article IX, Section 2 of the By-Laws, a resolution is required to transfer funds from the reserve account to the operating account. PDG Lion Maggie Dellmore moved, IPDG Lion Dona Klages seconded, that \$1,745 be transferred from reserve funds to operating funds. Motion carried. PDG Lion Neil Bevere asked how the funds will be spent and how the new Twinsburg Club is progressing. DG PDG Lion Grant stated that the funds will be used for training materials, photocopying and promotion. The Twinsburg Club is planning a fundraiser, and they will host a dance for high school students and conduct a food drive in Twinsburg.

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OPEN DISCUSSION:

PDG Lion Tommy Thompson stated that he would like to see every club in the District receive a Melvin Jones award this year. LCIF received \$245,778 from clubs in Ohio over the past several years, and LCIF grants awarded to our District totaled \$37,555 since 1978.

Lion Linda Eastwood displayed a Lions t-shirt that is available from the Medina Club for \$25.00.

IPDG Lion Dona mentioned the questionnaire that was at each place and asked that it be filled out to assist the Retention Committee.

PDG Lion Maggie Dellmore spoke about extension efforts that will be made in Burton, Perry and perhaps Parma. State extension training will be held in the morning of August 30, and Guiding Lions training will be held in the afternoon. She feels that valuable public relations can be gained by participating in various community parades and asked that all let her and PDG Lion Jim Ferritto know of parades in which the Lions might march.

Jim Feils thanked DG PDG Lion Grant, Lion Dick Dennis and all Lions in the District who came out to march in the Twins Day Parade.

There was no 50-50 raffle.

BENEDICTION: Lion Ada Ahrens

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted



Jean Sheeley
District 13-C Cabinet Secretary