DISTRICT 11E1 CABINET MEETING MINUTES APRIL 8, 2016, PARK PLACE HOTEL, TRAVERSE CITY, 11E1 CONVENTION SITE

Governor **Pam Schroeder**, (Onekama) <u>called the meeting</u> to order at 4:00 p.m.

- <u>Cabinet Officers Attending:</u> Governor Pam Schroeder, 1st Vice Governor Ron Gibson (Fremont), 2nd Vice Governor Peggy Walls (Stanwood), Secretary Janalee McClure (White Cloud), Treasurer Kay Brandt (Harrison) IPDG Pete Conarty (Midland), R1Z1 Jackie Glazier (Empire), R2Z1 Al Roeseler (Coleman) and R3Z2 Ray Williams (White Cloud).
- Other District 11E1 Lions Attending: PDG Harry & PDG Laura Johnson (Baldwin), PDG Jim Chipman & PDG Bill Simpson (Big Rapids), David Lowe (Cadillac), PDG Larry Morlock (Evart), Larry Mach (Fremont), PDG Jerry Brandt (Harrison), Dennis Hedinger (Hart), Karla Kasten (Kaleva), PDG Dan Gibbons (Onekama), PDG Stan Preshaw (Sheridan), PDG Jim Walls (Stanwood) and Bill & Jackie Ann Koch (White Cloud).
- Special Guests Attending: PID Cindy Gregg (14-E), PDG Tom Gregg (14-E), Lion Stan Hone (11C-1) and Lion Sharon Thomas.

Lion Jackie Glazier led the Pledge. PDG Jerry Brandt offered the Invocation.

Lion Al Roeseler moved approval of the agenda. Motion seconded by Lion Ray Williams. Motion Approved.

Governor Pam Schroeder's opening remarks:

- June 11th is the bus trip for the tour of Leader Dog with pick-ups in Traverse City, Cadillac & Mt. Pleasant. Cost is \$35.00 if we sell all 56 seats. Please make your reservation before you leave this weekend.
- Youth Exchange needs more hosting homes again this year. Please let me know if you are interested.
- Michigan Leadership Institute will be Nov. 11, 12 & 13, 2016 at Higgins Lake. We still have openings.
 Please consider attending.
- The Council Project for Mexico is not a go this year. Donations will be saved for next year.
- \$2,500 was donated to Flint for the water program.
- We are still looking for the \$100 donation from each Club for the Billboard Project. We are pleased to have Lions Laura & Jeff Hunt here from D1 to answer any questions you may have on the project.
- Tomorrow we will be voting to support All State Band becoming State Project.
- International is requesting all clubs to do a legacy project by 2017 for our 100th Anniversary. We hope we have 100% participation from our 11E1 Clubs.
- I am requesting all PDG's stay for a 5 minute meeting following adjournment of this Cabinet meeting.

<u>First Vice Governor Ron Gibson's Report:</u> Today I'm a story teller. Fremont Lions Club participated in a SINE (Students in need of Eye Care) project last year. We applied for a grant and organized a trip to the College of Optometry at Ferris in Big Rapids with Students from two schools. We felt the project was successful mostly because 80% of the children needed glasses. There was a lot of publicity on this project, local newspapers, District Newsletter, Club newsletter and College magazine. We were satisfied with the success of the project but the best was yet to come. We have a charter member that lives 1,000 miles from Fremont. He read about the project and was so impressed with it that he made donations to keep the project going. As a result, the impact of that big project will continue far into the future.

<u>Second Vice Governor Peggy Walls Report:</u> It's been a pleasure to work with the Cabinet this year. I would like to encourage more Lions to consider volunteering for the District.

<u>PDG John Monahan Global Leadership Report:</u> I've been recovering from shoulder surgery but will soon be able to be on the road visiting clubs again. I've created an orientation program that can be adapted to your club. Please attend the presentation session tomorrow and let me know if you want a copy of it for your club.

<u>PDG Jim Walls Global Membership Report:</u> We have a Branch Club formed in Cadillac that has 5 members, we have 5 Ferris students for the start of a Campus Club and 12 members in Mt. Pleasant for a start of a Campus Club. Message to all Zone Chairpersons; make sure the new officers for all your clubs are reported next month.

<u>Secretary PCC Janalee McClure presented the January 16, 2016 Cabinet Meting Minutes:</u>

IPDG **Pete Conarty** moved approval of the January 16, 2016 Cabinet Meeting Minutes as printed. Motion seconded by **Jackie Glazier**. Motion Approved.

<u>Treasurer Kay Brandt presented the Treasurer's Report dated 4-7-16:</u>

•	Beginning Balance	\$29,185.60	
•	Total Disbursements	- 459.22	
•	Total Deposits	+12,428.24	
•	Checkbook ending balance	\$41,154.62	
	 Administrative Fund Balance 	9	\$23,984.88
	 Designated Funds Balance 		\$17,169.74
	Diabetes	\$2,519.67	
	District Convention	3,022.64	
	District Float	152.32	
	Juvenile Diabetes	650.00	
	Kidsight	935.00	
	Miscellaneous	568.67	
	Sight & Hearing	8,919.85	
	Tail Twister	116.59	
	Quest	25.00	
	LCIF	50.00	
	Youth Exchange	210.00	

PCC **Janalee McClure** moved approval of the Treasurers Report dated April 7, 2016. Motion 2nd by 1st Vice Governor **Ron Gibson**. Motion Approved.

\$17,169.74

Zone Chairperson Reports:

- Region 1 Zone 1 Jackie Glazier:
 - o Thanks to all the Lions and the speakers I had at my 3rd Zone Meeting on March 9th in Lake Ann.
 - Cedar/Maple City had a special fundraiser pancake breakfast for a young girl in wheelchair full time and on a ventilator. All Lions were on deck for this breakfast!
 - o Empire's next pancake breakfast will be the 4th Sunday of April.
 - o Cadillac will have a Kidsight screening April 16that the Mackinaw Trail Middle School family expo

Region 2, Zone 1 Albert Roeseler:

- All Clubs in Zone attended 3rd Zone meeting January 27th in Clare. All clubs were active in their communities during the holiday and all clubs have fundraising activities planned.
- o Discussed upcoming Michigan Lions Forum, the Billboard campaign and the Mexico project.
- Clubs were encouraged to watch for the upcoming bus trip to Leader Dog, please consider applying for the President's Award and work on getting entries for the Peace Poster Contest.
- IT support was available to clubs along with a reminder of filing the MMR's & Activity Reports.
- Update on the All State Band along with a preview of the District Convention coming up.
- o IPDG **Pete Conarty** gave an interesting update on the Lions of Michigan Foundation.

• Region 3, Zone 2 Ray Williams:

- o 3rd Zone meeting held Feb. 9th with 22 attendees from Fremont, Howard City & White Cloud.
- Special presentation by 1st Vice Governor Ron Gibson on the District Convention, the Centennial Community Legacy Project and notice that our District is #1 for Kidsight in Michigan.
- Eversight presentation by PDG Lynnwood Mast reiterating Eversight as a 'local' project since Oceana, Montcalm & Newaygo Counties had 11 recipients and 24 donors recorded for 2015.
 Donate Life Day will be at Secretary of State Offices on 4-6-2016.
- o Special presentation by Lion **Bill Koch** on the State Convention in Sterling Heights May 13-14.
- o Presentation by Janalee McClure on Club Elections and Officer Reporting form PU101.
- Lion Ray encouraged attendance at District Convention and offered to pick up any District Silent Auction items from Clubs to transport to the Convention if they are unable to attend.
- o 50/50 was sent to Governor **Pam'**s special project for a reduced rate of Convention Banquet.
- 12 attendees had attended all 3 zone meetings so they took home a homemade pie of their choice, either coconut cream, custard, chocolate, lemon meringue, apple or banana cream.

Old Business: Criteria for the Howard Humanity Service Award was referred to next year for action.

New Business:

- A special presentation by Lion Stan Hone, Rockford Lions Club, 11C1 Project Chairperson for Sightseer
 - o Sightseer Radio is a 24 hour free service created for people unable to read.
 - Includes something of interest for everyone, news, sports, magazines, worship, health & wellness, teen & kid topics, travel, music, old time radio & books of all interests.
 - Volunteers on this special radio station provide companionship, encouragement & enrichment in the lives of people who cannot read because of physical constraints.
 - Coverage area for WBLY 90.3 FM in District 11E1 goes from Muskegon Area to Mt. Pleasant area to Cadillac area and almost to Onekama area, includes Baldwin, Big Rapids, Manistee.
 - Lions can help by listening on the internet at <u>www.thesightseer.org</u> or on a Sight Seer Radio and mostly by helping to find new listeners.
- Cadillac Lion Bill Bradfield presented his Motorcycle/Snowmobile ride that would take place in Michigan, starting July 4, 2016 in Cadillac, Michigan and will be completed for our Centennial on July 4, 2017 in Oakbrook, Illinois. This will be a fundraiser supporting diabetes awareness and research, working in partnership with Lions and the American Diabetes Association. Helen Keller asked the Lions to be Knights of the Blind and since diabetes is recognized as a major cause of vision loss and Lions Clubs International asked Lions, worldwide, to organize fundraisers that will support a large number of needy people and this Epic Adventure would fulfill the criteria of each request. Lion Bill Bradfield asked District 11E1 to endorse and support this special Centennial Project.

District 11E1 Treasurer Lion **Kay Brandt**, Harrison Lions Club, moved to approve that District 11E1 Lion Clubs consider endorsing and supporting this snowmobile/motorcycle fundraiser for diabetes awareness and research starting July 4, 2016 and ending July 4, 2017 as an outstanding Lions International Centennial Project. Region 3 Zone 2 Chairperson Lion **Ray Williams**, White Cloud Lions Club, seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

District Chairperson Reports:

PDG Jerry Brandt 11E1 Convention Report:

- Tidbits book is one of our fundraisers for the Convention and every ad in the book is eligible for one ticket in the drawing for a free night's lodging at next year's convention. PID Cindy Gregg drew out Lion Ray Williams Ad from White Cloud Lions Club. Congratulations Ray!
- Dome room is being renovated so not available to us this year. Our meal functions, exhibits and pin trading will be downstairs. Our meetings & programs will be here on the main floor.

- o 148 registered for convention so far had 112 registered last year
- o 78 for Friday night which is 20 more than last year
- 72 for Saturday breakfast only 50 last year
- o 115 for Saturday lunch last year under 100
- 82 for Saturday banquet this year
- PCC Janalee McClure Constitution & By-laws Report:
 - o Amendment #1 Constitution Paws With A Cause Yellow Ballot requires 2/3 vote to pass
 - o Amendment #2 Policy Manual 50% dues for Campus Clubs Blue Ballot requires 2/3 vote
 - o Amendment #3 Constitution & Bylaws Foundation Trustees Green Ballot requires majority
 - o Ballot Initiative #4 Supporting Michigan All State Band Pink Ballot requires majority vote
 - o Request from PDG **Jim Walls** to have a pro and con discussion at the Business Meeting Sat. afternoon. Governor approved adding pro & con discussion to the Sat. afternoon agenda
- <u>Nominations Report:</u> Governor **Pam** reported PDG **Richard Perrin** had angioplasty surgery this month and would not be attending the District Convention. Lion **Steve Adsmond** (Fremont) will be performing the Nomination Chairperson duties at the Convention starting with Business Meeting Sat.
- First Vice Governor Ron Gibson International Convention Report: Convention is in Fukuoka, Japan June 24-28. Barb & I will leave Michigan June 19th, returning June 30th. Approximately 40 have registered from Michigan. We have 2 candidates for International Director, PDG Jenny Ware and PDG Paul Hemeryck. The 2017 International Convention will be in Chicago June 30 to July 4, 2017. I have appointed Lion Jackie Glazier District 11E1 Chairperson for 2016-2017.
- <u>Lion Bill Koch Multiple District 11 Convention Report:</u> Michigan Convention will be May 13-15 at the Best Western in Sterling Heights starting with a special activity Thursday night at the Sterling Heights Lions Clubhouse. Friday's theme is the 80's with special Motown entertainment the Spaniels Group. We secured sponsors for the Convention this year so we will not have a monetary loss. We are looking to combining District and State Conventions in the future as a cost saving possibility for all Lions.

Remarks from Past International Director Cynthia "Cindy" B. Gregg: I come from Pennsylvania and am really enjoying the gorgeous color of Lake Michigan. I am awed by how much Lions are doing. I am working on Extension for International and during your Governor-Elect Ron's term we are asking every district to charter a new club and are asking every club to be a plus 1 at the end of 2016-2017 year. Because of our membership loss America is losing one American Director every year for 3 years in a row and we will now only have an American President every four years.

Governor Pam's closing remarks:

- My final project for my Governor's year is to ask every Club to send me information on two fund raisers, the procedure for planning the project including the results of the project, so I can prepare a Fund Raiser Booklet this summer and have it available to share with all Clubs at our Fall Conference.
- Empire Lions Club has a Charter Member that celebrated his 100th Birthday this year.
- Governor Pam presented IPDG Pete Conarty his Guiding Line Certificate.
- This is my last meeting and I want to make sure you all know how much I enjoyed meeting all the Lion members and visiting all the clubs. That was definitely the highlight of my year.

PDG **John Monahan** reminded everyone to send in the PU101's, preferably by email to International Purple & Gold Membership Ribbons are available this weekend at the registration desk. There is a survey document to fill out at the registration table concerning a District 11E1 Eye Glass Mission.

Jackie Glazier moved to adjourn at 5:05 P.M. Motion 2nd by Al Roeseler and Ron Gibson. Motion Approved.

Respectfully Submitted, PCC **Janalee McClure**, District 11E1 Secretary Special Note – Written reports received before the meeting from District Chairpersons are included following the official minutes.

<u>PDG Harry Johnson Lions Quest Report:</u> Lions Quest Committee had a table at the Michigan Forum. Quest materials were distributed and questions answered. To date there have not been any Lion Clubs in District 11E1 requesting any programs or Quest materials.

<u>PDG Harry Johnson Extension Report</u>: The Extension Chair worked with other District Officers in an attempt to restart the Clare Lions Club with a few interested people from the Farwell area. Perhaps we need to recanvas some areas as more clubs have folded because of aging members. I believe we also need to create a 'carrot' incentive for the people in the communities we canvas.

IPDG Pete Conarty District Newsletter Report:

- I have published 10 newsletters for District 11E1 so far this fiscal year.
- We've had 27 of our clubs submitting news or pictures for the newsletter to date.
- I'm thanking PCC Janalee McClure for sending out the hard copies each month for me.
- Special thanks to **Karla Roebuck** for her computer expertise helping me each month.
- I am Multiple District Editors Committee Chairperson this year with success in getting more news in the State Pride Magazine and revamping the committee to meet the District Editors & Pride Editors needs.

<u>IPDG Pete Conarty Honorary Committee Report:</u> No meetings were requested by the District Governor.

PDG Laura Johnson Leo Committee Report:

- Fremont and Bear Lake Leo Clubs are inactive at this time.
- Sheridan Lions were interested in starting a club but did not find enough interested youth to proceed.
- Coleman Leos are very active. They were involved with stories, photos and an activity booklet at the State level this year.

<u>PDG Laura Johnson District Float Report:</u> Howard City and Luther have both used the float this year. We have no other bookings at this time.

PDG Stanley Preshaw Diabetes/Sight Conservation Awareness Report:

- Diabetes Awareness and Action Programs are available at www.lionsclubs.org with keyword search 'diabetes'.
- Sheridan Lions Club will be providing diabetes screenings at the Sheridan Community Hospital Health Fair on Wednesday afternoon May 11, 2016.
- Michigan Donor Registry Day was held Wednesday April 6th, 2016.
- Sheridan Lions joined the Greenville Lions in this project this year. Greenville Lion **Larry Alman** works the local office on the first Friday of every month.

This is a complete list of the reports I received before the April 8, 2016 Cabinet Meeting.

Sincerely, PCC Janalee McClure, District 11E1 Secretary 2015-2016