

**LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL
DISTRICT 26-M6 OF MISSOURI
Cabinet Meeting
November 13, 2010**

MINUTES OF MEETING

The second cabinet meeting of the year was called to order by District Governor Debbie Whittlesey 2:07 P.M. in the conference room of the Great Southern Bank Conference Center in Springfield. Governor Debbie welcomed everyone in attendance and thanked them for taking the afternoon to attend to the business of the District. She presented all cabinet members with her Governor's pin and a "Beacon of Hope" pin which was created by our International President, Lion Sidney Scruggs, to commemorate his theme for the year.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led 1st Vice District Governor Stuart Payne followed by the singing of "God Bless America", led by Lion Marilyn Harris. The invocation was given by Lion Walter Hamer.

DG Special Privilege:

Taking special privilege, DG Debbie presented a trophy to Lion Cathy Purvis, our IT chair, for the graphic design work she has done in building a new website for the district. We will get a preview of it later in the meeting. The Granby Lions Club earned a certificate of appreciation for getting the first LEO club established this year. She then presented certificates of appreciation to the Freistatt Lions Club and the Branson Hollister for each donating several Thousand Dollars to purchase a new camera for our district to use in amblyopia screening. These cameras cost around \$10,000.00 and the Governor said both of these clubs were "Revvvved and Ready" when the need was there.

Then, the Governor asked that IPDG Charles Haywood to come forward. She presented him, in behalf of the District Lions, with a District Governor's plaque in appreciation and commemoration for his service to the district during the year of 2009-2010 when he served as District Governor.

Protocol for Meeting:

Then, Protocol for the meeting was established by PDG James W. Rosbrugh thereby eliminating the need for each speaker to re-acknowledge Lions, serving in various offices and capacities.

Attendance:

The roll of voting and non-voting cabinet members was called by Cabinet Secretary, PDG Dave Harris. There were 31 cabinet members present plus 2 Past District Governors not holding a cabinet chair position. Also, in attendance, were 17 non-voting Lions representing their individual clubs, according to the sign in sheet.

Appointment of Tail Twister:

Lion Marilyn Harris was nominated and appointed to be the tail twister for this meeting. She accepted the appointment and immediately began her duties with enthusiasm.

Disposition of Tail Twister Funds:

After a short discussion a motion to hold all tail twister funds until the last meeting of the year and then decide how they would be distributed was made by IPDG Charles Haywood, seconded by PDG James Rosbrugh and passed.

Approval of Previous Minutes:

The Minutes of the August 15, 2010 Cabinet Meeting were approved as distributed after a remark by the secretary that PDG Bill Botzow actually did not assist in tail twisting at that meeting. A motion was then made by PDG Bill Botzow to approve with that correction. The motion was seconded by PDG Joe Abrams and carried.

Treasurers Report:

PDG Jim Wilson, District Treasurer, reviewed District financial reports as of 11-13-10. The Administrative Account showed income for this year of \$23,084.63, expenditures of \$11,708.33 leaving a net difference of \$11,376.30 in the administrative checking account. A summary of all other accounts shows a combined total of \$28,268.73 for a grand total of all accounts of \$39,977.06. A motion to accept the Treasurers Report and submit for audit was made by Lion Judy Young, seconded by Lion Jennie Mosher. Motion carried.

District Governor Remarks/Report:

DG Debbie said that a lot has happened since our last meeting. She attended the USA/Canada Forum in Milwaukee. There was a good turnout from M6 with 9 Lions in attendance. When she met with International President Scruggs he said he was proud of the way Lions have embraced his theme of service. He encouraged us to keep shining the light so that we can draw many new members. She attended many good classes and said it was good to go and get REVVVVED up even more.

The Council of Governors met on Halloween weekend with many of our Lions in attendance. She said that PCC Steve Wise was able to attend and perform his duties of parliamentarian. She asked that we keep the Wise family in our prayers as their son is battling Leukemia.

Governor Debbie said that the council meeting had a lot of intense topics to handle including All Star Football survival or changes, Alpha-Point/Blind School request for support, the structure of the state convention, and, several other items of importance.

She closed her remarks by saying that she continues to be 'Revvvved and Ready' to serve as a Beacon of Hope to those in need. She sees the clubs accepting that challenge as they help so many people throughout the district. She encouraged us to stay excited and tell every one of our services which will encourage them to want to be a part of what we are doing. She ended her comments by saying, "You Make a Difference Every Day You Serve"!

1st Vice District Governor:

1st VDG Stuart Payne said that he and Lion Marlene had attended the Lions World Services for the Blind at Little Rock, AR in August and were very impressed with the facilities and the training, and learning, that takes place for the students. He said that next to Arkansas, Missouri sends more clients to LWSB than any other participating state.

He attended the USA/Canada Forum in Milwaukee in September and was very impressed with the sessions he attended and has a lot of other sessions he wants to attend in future years. He said that session manuals can be downloaded in .pdf format by going to the USA/Canada Forum website.

In October Lion Stuart attended the state MERL meeting and sat in on the Leadership section and assisted in making plans for the Mid-Winter Forum. Plans are being made to present sessions that are current and timely for Lions attending.

There have, this year, been two district MERL meetings held in Springfield. At the last meeting ways to attract new and younger members was discussed at length. He said that at the next meeting he wants to specifically invite incoming club presidents and would like to present a session on conducting effective club meetings. This was suggested by 2nd VDG Walter Hamer as ineffective meetings are a prime reason members stop coming and eventually leave Lions.

VDG Stuart reported that he had attended the Council of Governor's meeting in October and found it to be very interesting. Since the All-Star Football Game lost money this year it is a hot topic and whether to retain that event or not will be put to a vote at the state convention.

VDG Payne told about visiting a club that has no service projects even though they do have fund raisers. He said that he gave them several ideas for service projects such as organizing a "drive-by" leaf raking project with the help of local students. Another was to contact LWSB and take some used lawn mower engines for their blind students to work on and/or repair and then sell. Lion Stuart said he is attending the district convention planning meetings and looking for informative sessions for the attendees and, also, encourage our Lions to attend the convention.

He also said that our district is being asked to give funds to the Missouri Dental Association Foundation for their Mission of Mercy project. There will be a Mission of Mercy in July at Springfield.

2nd Vice District Governor:

Making his first report to the cabinet, 2nd VDG Walter Hamer said that he is grateful for the opportunity to serve the district as the Second Vice District Governor in 2010 – 2011. He said that he has found the enthusiasm generated by DG Debbie to be contagious and is looking forward to helping her rest of the year.

2nd VDG Walter said that one of the areas he would like to work in is the development of leadership in our district. As we bring new Lions in to our organization, we need to help them develop leadership skills so that we will have the men and women to guide our clubs, the district, our multiple and even at the International level. He said that there are many tools available to accomplish this effort, including the Senior Lions Leadership Forum which prepares Lions to serve as District Governor. There is excellent "on-line training available on the LCI website and one of the finest opportunities held each fall is the USA/Canada Lion

Leadership Forum which he attended this year. The 2011 forum will be held in Alaska and in addition to the many educational opportunities presented, there will also be the chance to do some sightseeing while there and become acquainted with the wonders of the region.

In final remarks, Lion Walter encouraged Lions to get together and take advantage of a trip to Alaska and the USA/Canada Forum in September, 2011 for leadership development which will strengthen our clubs in District M6.

REGION CHAIRPERSON REPORTS:

North East Region – Lion Jon Chalker: Lion Jon, unable to attend, sent a written report stating that he had attended a Zone Meeting for NE Zone B at Halfway. He said it was an excellent meeting with 6 out of 7 clubs attending. He said he had attended a fund raiser for the Bolivar Lions and attended the Lebanon Host 80th anniversary celebration where, he said, you left feeling proud to be a Lion. Lion Jon is planning on visiting all clubs in his region by the first of the year.

North West Region – Lion Marilyn Harris: Lion Marilyn said that she attended a NW-A Zone which was well attended. She also visited the Greenfield Lions Club and was pleased that they are active in their community by being involved in the town's revitalization program. Their fundraisers included selling food at the Golden City Harvest Days, they help plan the Greenfield Christmas parade and will provide 6 Thanksgiving baskets for needy families.

She also has visited the Granby Lions Club who had 16 out of 21 members present along with 5 guests. The new Leo's club president was there to learn how to conduct a meeting. There are 22 prospective members for this new Leos Club. The Granby Lions are planning their 5K run for the spring; they helped sponsor a young man who attended Boy's State; sponsor a spring dance and the Christmas parade; have a pancake feed at their "Old Miner's Days and updated the town's Christmas lights as well as provide glasses for children in need.

Lion Marilyn reported on her visit to the Diamond Lions and even though a small club they have a real presence in the community. They helped sponsor a young man to Boy's State who gave the program for the evening. They have a booth at the Old Settler's Picnic each year, sponsor Little Mister/Little Miss Snowflake Contest for the Christmas parade and have an Easter egg hunt every spring. A 46 year member was in attendance at the meeting, also.

The Carthage Lions are struggling due to a small membership. They still manage to have some fund raisers, with the help of families of the members. The main one is selling food from their trailer at the annual Maple Leaf Festival. They offer a wide choice of food and had a complete sell out this year and they netted over \$1800.00 for their efforts. They make contributions to all of the state projects each year and have provided 10 children with glasses this year.

At each visit, Lion Marilyn said she encourages the members to attend to be involved in the various district activities and to let Lion Gordon Wellman, newsletter editor, know of their upcoming activities and the results of them, with pictures.

Central Region – Randy Rickman: No report.

South East Region – Lion Sid Holmes: No Report

South West Region – Lion Nick Paulin: Lion Nick reported that he has attended meetings of the Crane, Cassville and Monett Lions Clubs. He said the Crane Lions are struggling to maintain membership and meeting attendance, all of which are of great concern.

When he visited the Cassville Lions Club he got involved in a cleanup of their adopted highway, along with PDG Bill Botzow. The task was completed before dark but more member help would have expedited the project. Cassville has changed their meeting nights to the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month in an effort to increase attendance.

The Monett Lions Club meeting was well attended and the club is very active in their community and beyond. The program for the evening he attended was presented by drug enforcement officers.

The Seligman Lions continues to hold dances on the 1st Thursday of the month. They remain a popular event in the community and is a good source of income to support the Lions services in community. Attendance at the dances includes a growing number of youth. The club also is now providing dance lessons and will do so again after the holidays.

Lion Nick said that he had attended the MERL meeting in Springfield which he found to be informative and it included a good exchange of ideas for recruiting and maintaining membership.

He said both the Zone A (PDG Sue Blakley) and Zone B (Lion Sharon Morris) Chairpersons had held zone meetings which he attended. He was pleased with both meetings.

ZONE CHAIRPERSON REPORTS:

NE. Reg. – Zone A – PDG Charles Winfiel: No report

NO. Reg. – Zone B – Lion Chester Hill: No report

SE Reg. – Zone A – Lion Don Long: Lion Don said that he has made 3 club visits; the first was the Hartville Lions. They have 31 members and are very active in the community. They recently lost a long time member who was 94 years old.

A visit to the Mountain Grove Lions was made in October. They have 20 members and normally have about 50% attendance. In an effort to improve attendance they are going to try an evening meeting, on one of their meeting days, instead of having both at noon.

Lion Don reported on his home club, the Grovespring Lions. The club has recently lost 2 members to cancer. They have installed 3 new members, recently, and hope to have 3 more new members in December.

SE Reg. – Zone B – Peter Frantzen: No report

NW Reg. – Zone A – PDG Dean Westbay: A zone meeting was held on October 5th at Golden City with 12 Lions present from 4 out of 6 clubs in attendance. Clubs attending were Golden City, Lockwood, Arcola and

Lamar. In addition, Region Chair Marilyn Harris and PDG Dave Harris were guests. The clubs reported on their fund raising and community projects and all clubs are very active and generous in giving profits to various Lions supported projects.

PDG Dean asked Region Chair, Lion Marilyn to speak to the group. She gave Certificates of Appreciation to the clubs in Lamar, Lockwood and Golden City. She reminded clubs to bring an item to be auctioned to Hobo Day on Jan. 15th at Branson Hollister Lions building. She encouraged everyone to attend this event which is the only fund raiser for the benefit of District M6.

NW Reg. – Zone B – Lion Trish Holland: No report

CEN. Reg. – Zone A. – Lion Donna Rickman: Lion Donna reported that her first zone meeting was held on August 26th at Mt. Vernon with 12 Lions present. Clubs in attendance were Mt. Vernon, Aurora and Miller. There also was a guest present from the Joplin Lions. The clubs reported on their community projects and fund raisers. All clubs present are very active in their communities.

CEN. Reg. – Zone B – Lion Judy Young: Lion Judy held her first zone meeting on August 24th and the next one will be on November 30th in Republic. She is still in process of visiting all the clubs in her zone but said the ones she has visited are very active. She said that the Republic Lions are considering starting a Leo Club but haven't made a final decision yet.

SW Reg. – Zone A: - PDG Sue Blakley: A zone meeting was held on November 11th at Cassville with 3 out of 4 clubs attending. The clubs shared information on their fund raisers. Cassville Lions have sponsored a chili cook-off which was very successful. The Monett Lions have successfully completed their annual apple butter making and sales and want to sell what they have left in the next few weeks. Seligman Lions continue to hold their monthly community dances and are encouraged that a lot of younger people are attending. Lion Sue will hold her next zone meeting in January in Seligman.

SW Reg. – Zone B – Lion Sharon Morris: The first Zone B meeting was held at Kimberling City on November 5th with 12 people in attendance from 3 clubs in the zone plus guests from Seligman. Lion Dean Johnson talked to group about Kimberling City's new building. Lion Sharon has 2 more zone meetings scheduled for January and March.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Alert – PDG Bob Kitsmiller: Lion Bob said that he had given programs on ALERT at the Greenfield Lions Club and at a zone meeting held in Golden City. He will be traveling to visit the Republic Lions meeting in January.

Athletic – PDG Sue Blakley, Chair: New officers of the state committee were elected and PDG Eldon Shipps from District M4 is the new chairperson. Lion Sue said that the 2010 All-Star Football Game operated at a loss and the future of the event is very much in question at this time. She feels that the event is important to the participating young people of Missouri and hopes it will not be discontinued.

PDG Sue said that she was proud of our district for the way we supported the players from our district. She thanked the district for our donation of \$750.00 which supported one player. She said the committee is

asking the District Governors, Region and Zone chairs to help promote the game and to help recruit players and financial support for both the game and the State Band.

The problem seems to be less support coming from the clubs, both large and small and she made a plea for all to get involved and support the players by sponsorship and selling advertisements for the program book, in their communities. Lion Sue said it is also important to have contact with the local coaches and ask them to send in application for worthy players.

Lion Sue said that the Council of Governors, by a passing vote of 5 to 2, directed the Constitution and By-Laws Committee to prepare an amendment to discontinue the State Athletic Committee as well as the annual Missouri All Star Football game, effective as of 9/30/11. The amendment is to be voted on at the 2011 Missouri Lions State Convention. If passed, there will still be a game in July, 2011 but that would be the last game. If it doesn't pass, things will have to change to make it a financially feasible endeavor.

Band – Lion Irene Voyles, Chair: Lion Irene told us that the state band committee meets monthly either conference call or at the Lions State Office. She said that the committee is presently making plans for the Missouri Lions All-State Band Camp and the trip to Seattle to attend the LCI Convention. The cost for those events will be about \$1400.00 per student and help is needed from the clubs to pay a sponsorship, or, if unable to do that consider a partial sponsorship.

Lion Irene said that the State Band Committee doesn't own any of the large equipment needed each year and as the band membership is built they need to purchase that equipment. To raise funds to begin purchasing the needed equipment each club is asked to help by selling \$ 50.00 worth of raffle tickets with the drawing to be held at the state convention. There will be various prizes drawn for, ranging from a weekend in Branson for 2, (including tickets for the Branson Belle Riverboat Dinner Cruise) to Royals tickets, Cardinal games and CDs. She said that if the clubs will support this effort, the goal can be reached in 2 years.

There also will be a raffle in our district for a Lion afghan that is 38" x 53". She said it would make a nice wall hanging and tickets are 6 for \$5.00. She also has made some club visits and would like to be invited to other club's to give a program and spread the word about the importance of the Lions State Band.

Basketball – West Game: PDG James W. Rosbrugh, Chair: Lion James reported that he was happy to report that a contract has been signed with Ozark Christian College in Joplin for the 2011 West All -Star Basketball Game, to be held on Saturday, June 4, 2011. He said a full concession will be run by the college and the overall cost is less than we paid last year for a non-air conditioned facility. He assured us that, "**There will be A/C this year**".

Basketball – East Game: PDG Bob Crump, Chair: The East All-Star will take place on Saturday June 11, 2011 at the Baptist Bible College in Springfield. He recommends that we use the same format as previous games and that 95% of the profit goes to MLERF with 5% held for contingency. He suggested that the ad prices for the program book will remain the same as last year. Admission charge will be decided at a later time. He mentioned that it is important that the region and zone chairs remind the clubs to budget for the game to support ad purchases and players from their areas.

Constitution and By-Laws – PDG James W. Rosbrugh, Chair: The State Constitution and By-Laws Committee has been meeting via e-mail during the past months to review the State Policy Manual and the C & B-Ls to

verify they are current and to recommend any changes, if needed. The committee has been charged with preparing an amendment(s) as needed, to delete the State Athletic Committee. They are also considering how to address LCI's revision of MERL to the new GLOBAL designation. Proposed worded material will be available for the January Council of Governors meeting in preparation for voting at the 2011 State Convention.

Lion James reported that the District C & B-Ls committee has also met via e-mail to review the district documents. Suggestions have been made that the district accounts require only one signature but it appears that is in conflict with LCI's Model document for districts. The committee will present any updates, changes, etc in a ballot to be voted on at the District Convention. Lion James said that the recommended proposals are shown in full on an attachment to this report. A vote, to include all PDGs and Cabinet Members, will be taken via e-mail and reported to the Cabinet Secretary when completed. If approved by the Cabinet, the material will be distributed to the clubs and will be included on the ballot at our District Convention in March, 2011.

2010 District Convention – PDG Bill Botzow, Chair: PDG Bill said that the 26-M6 2011 convention will be held at the Clarion Hotel in Springfield on March 11 & 12, 2011. The contract with the hotel was approved at the August Cabinet Meeting. The planning committee has begun to meet. Our International guest, ID Eugene Spies and Lion Rita will arrive at the Springfield Airport at 1:30 on March 11th. All Lions who wish to, should meet at the airport at 1:15 to greet our guests.

The convention will begin on Friday evening with the hospitality room opening at 6:00 PM where ID Spies and Lion Rita will socialize with Lions in attendance. Clubs are asked to support the hospitality room by a cash donation or by bringing your special snacks to share. The Honorary Committee (Past District Governors) is coordinating the event with PDG Sue Blakley in charge.

On Saturday the convention will begin early with a seminar on the Missouri Lions Youth Camp at 8:00 A.M. Then the first Plenary Session will kick off at 9:00 A.M. with the color and the Parade of Banners. The morning session will provide an opportunity for clubs to join the "Parade of Checks" with their donations after the speakers talk about their respective programs which are supported by Missouri Lions. The Memorial Service will be a part of the first plenary session. The afternoon session will include 4 seminars of interest to Lions. Each person will have the opportunity to attend 2 out of the 4 sessions. After that the afternoon session will include awards, candidate speeches and voting the candidates and Constitution and By-Laws items that will be on the ballot.

The State Convention Committee met in Jefferson City on October 2nd. The main topic was how to increase attendance which resulted in deciding to make a recommendation to the Council of Governors regarding the official convention venue. Other business included the election of a State Committee Chairperson and PDG Bill Botzow was elected to serve in that capacity for 2010-2011. A suggestion that the State and District Constitution and By-Laws Committee to include in the manuals, for both the state and district, is how, who and when a district should place bids to host the state convention in their district.

The MD-26 Convention Committee has distributed the bid specifications for the 2014 convention site selection to the districts. Those districts wishing to be considered need to make their presentations at the January 8, 2011 State Convention Committee meeting.

The 94th International Convention will be held in Seattle, WA on July 4 to July 8, 2011. More information will follow.

Diabetes – Lion Larry Martin, Chair: No report.

District Operations Review Committee: PDG Bob Crump, Chair: PDG Bob then told the cabinet that two members of the “District Operations Review Committee” had met. Those on the committee as named by the Honorary Committee are; PDG Bob Crump, PCC Steve Wise, PDG Lee Binley and PDG Dave Harris. Lion Bob said that PCC Steve Wise is in Florida and he forgot to notify PDG Dave Harris of the meeting so they had no input to the several suggested changes to the District M6 By-Laws. He had the suggested changes spelled out in a document that he had passed out to the cabinet with the changes noted in red. Lion Bob said the committee would like for the Constitution and By-Laws Committee to review and place on a ballot at the District Convention to be voted on by the delegates at the District Convention.

Extension – PDG Zana Botzow, Chair: The latest LCI report, at the 1st of this month, showed that there are 45,977 Lions Clubs worldwide. That is down 167 clubs from the year before. The US has 12,604 clubs which is down 87 clubs and Missouri has 388 clubs, down 6 from a year ago. Our district currently has 61 clubs which is the most clubs of any district in Missouri but we also have lost the most members.

Lion Zana said that she attended the USA/Canada Forum in September and learned that the one year guiding Lion program will be phased out in the next 2 years and the Certified Guiding Lion will be the only one left. She said that our District needs more Certified Guiding Lions as we continue to develop new clubs.

The second organizational meeting for a new club in Ozark will be held on 11/16. This club is tending towards a larger geographic area which should bring in more members. The Springfield Host Lions will be the sponsoring club for Ozark. She closed by asking for region and zone chairs to be looking for areas where a new club may be formed.

Finance – PDG Bill Botzow Chair: No report.

Hearing – PDG John Jones, Chair: PDG John reported that the State Hearing Committee met at the state office on October 10th at the Missouri School for the Deaf in Fulton, MO. After business items were covered, Dr. Allison Burco talked to the committee about her duties at the school. The Lions hearing aids are being used in the programs at the school.

Hearing Sweepstakes tickets have been distributed to the district chairs so they will be available for the districts conventions and he will be distributing to M6 clubs today. Lion John said that the hearing van will be in our district in January and May of 2011. The portable audiometers are available for any club to use in screening. The Affordable Hearing Aid program is going well in our district. He reminded us that to keep the program viable the sweepstakes need to be pushed by the clubs and individuals. He reminded us that profit from the ticket sales is the only funding the committee receives throughout the year.

Hobo Day – Lion Pete Waldo, Chair: Lion Pete said the Hobo Day event will be held on Jan. 15, 2011 at the Branson Hollister Lions building. Publicity is only by word of mouth and so it is important for all cabinet members to talk it up at their meetings. He said the menu will be Hobo Stew with all the trimmings at a cost of \$5.00 for all you can eat. Children under 6 are free.

What each club should bring was spelled in Lion Pete's report and he specifically asked for dessert items, cakes for the cake walk, nice items for both the silent and live auctions that have a value of \$25.00 or more. They can be handmade items, restaurant certificates, savings bonds and "store bought" items. Anything that has been used should be of near new condition, clean and ready to use. We need a "High Dollar" item or two to spark the interest in the auctions. He asked that we not rely on the Lions of Branson Hollister to bring all of the items. For those wishing to stay overnight, the Quality Inn is offering rooms at \$49.00 per night. Raffle tickets are available for each club to take today and each club is asked to sell at least 40 tickets. Lion Pete closed by saying if we all pull together we can have 200 people at this event, which would be a lot of fun.

Lion Pete then revealed a plaque which Lions Ernie and Maggie Schlichting had been saving for years. The plaque had to do with the original Hobo Day and they wanted to donate it to the district, to be passed to each successive District Governor to be a promotional for the annual Hobo Day. Lion Pete said that every Governor would have the honor of "packing it around during their term". DG Debbie accepted it and declared she would take care of it.

Honorary Committee (PDGs) – PDG Sue Blakley, Chair: PDG Sue said that at the October meeting, the Honorary Committee received the credentials of Lion Walter Hamer who would like to serve as our 2nd Vice District Governor. As Lion Walter is thoroughly qualified, the group voted to endorse him for this position.

Plans are being made to host the hospitality rooms at both the District and State Conventions

Information & Technology – Lion Cathy Purvis, Chair: Actually Lion Cathy's report was the first of the committee reports, opening this section with an upbeat colorful look, on the "BIG SCREEN", at our new District Website that she has developed from scratch. She gave us a great visual review of it and, even though it is still "work in progress" she showed us how to get into each section of it and move around to get the information that we want. The website will be much easier to use than the old one was and is the result of Lion Cathy going to classes to learn how to bring it all together. She asked that people make her aware of changes and additions they would like to see on it and, if possible, will do her best to fulfill those needs. She has a lot more ideas to improve the website so we just need to be patient and it will happen. Those who saw Lion Cathy's work were mighty impressed. Try it you'll like it! Good job Lion Cathy!!! The website's address is: www.molionsm6.org .

LBOMB – Lion Bob Stewart, Chair: Lion Bob said that his activities recently have been focused on getting up to speed on the goals and activities of the LBOMB organization. He has been receiving monthly statements and reviewed them as requested. He said that a request for LBOMB involvement from a person in Springfield had been received and that was passed on to the proper staff at Jefferson City. The next meeting for the state LBOMB committee will be January 8, 2011 in Springfield.

LCIF – PDG Jim Tesreau, Chair: No report

Leader Dog – Lion Phil Krebs, Chair: There has been a total of \$1250.00 given to Leader Dogs through Lion Phil since the last cabinet meeting. Those clubs donating are: Freistatt Lions Club - \$500.00; Arcola Lions Club - \$500.00 and Miller Lions Club - \$250.00.

Leadership – PCC Jim Tesreau, Chair: Lion Jim encouraged attendance at the Mid-Winter Forum to be held in Branson on February 4-5, 2011 at the Grand Plaza Hotel. Topics for seminars are being chosen by the State Leadership Committee.

Leos – Lion Theresa Botzow, Chair: The Granby Lions Club has organized and is sponsoring a new Leo Club in their town. Lion Theresa said that currently there are 24 youth who have applied to be members of the new club which will be called East Newton Leo Club to effectively represent the school districts and areas where the members come from. They have numerous activities planned and already completed several. They have, so far, raised \$148.75 which will help purchase T-shirts for the club members. They meet the first Monday of the month and have work days scheduled throughout the month. Lion Theresa also has been notified that the Republic Lions Club has an interest in forming a Leos Club.

Lions Opportunities for Youth – Youth Exchange – Lion Marlene Payne, Chair: The International Youth Exchange Camp will be held in District M6 next summer. Lion Marlene said the camp site has not been selected and asked that if anyone knows of a camp that can accommodate about 20 people for a week, let her know. Our district has budgeted \$500.00 toward the camp and Lion Marlene made the recommendation that a Henderson Award be presented to a deserving Lion at the District Convention. There are no state funds used for this project.

Not being able to use the power point presentation that Lion Theresa Botzow had put together, Lion Marlene passed around a photo album of some of the events at this past summer's camp. She also said that she would like to give programs at local clubs and hopes to receive calls to set dates for her visits.

Lions Quest Program – Lion Jennie Mosher, Chair: No report

Long Range Planning – PDG Lee Binley, Chair: PDG Lee that the committee has had no meetings. He said that he wonders if it would be time for a District Long Range Planning Committee to be formed to study the future needs of District M6 since we are now in our third year since redistricting was done. He said he would appreciate the cabinet's ideas on that.

LWSB – Lion Bertia Binley, Chair: Lion Bertia, unable to attend today, sent a written report which said that she had given a program to the Freistatt Lions where she received a donation for LWSB in the amount of \$1000.00. She said that raises the total she has received for LWSB to \$1050.00.

Membership- PDG Bob Crump, Chair: In October, Lion Bob attended the MERL meeting in Jefferson City. He said that the last report received from LCI that Missouri had lost 175 Lions and our District had lost 46 which was the highest loss of any District in the State. He said that he is willing to present programs, training, etc., when asked, at Zone and club meetings.

Mid South Lions Sight and Hearing – PDG Jerry Young, Chair: Lion Jerry reported that he had forwarded \$1000.00 to Mid South Lions which was a donation by the Freistatt Lions Club. He said that has consulted with Mid South regarding one inquiry about hearing information.

MLERF – PDG Sarah Stout – District Board Member: No Report.

Peace Poster – Lion Leroy Potter, Chair: “NOW IS THE TIME”, proclaimed a bright poster. Time to get started on next year’s Peace Poster Contest. Lion Leroy spelled out the steps to having a successful Peace Poster Contest. He said that he presently has received posters from Carl Junction, Freistatt and Crane. The end of this year’s contest is Nov. 15th at Midnight. Kits for the coming year go on sale from LCI on January 15th and the theme is to be announced soon.

Pin Traders – PDG Ernie Schlichting, Chair: No report

Public Relations – PDG Gordon Wellman, Chair: Lion Gordon’s message for the day was for Clubs to send notices of activities to him for the monthly newsletter so other clubs can attend or, at least, know what is going on. PDG Gordon also said that he needs to know e-mail addresses as, every so often, Lions with previously unknown e-addresses come to light. He encouraged club secretaries to keep their club’s membership records up to date at LCI.

Retention Committee: PDG Charles Haywood, Chair: As PCC Steve Wise had to resign as Retention Chair; DG Debbie has asked PDG Charles Haywood to fill that position for the remainder of the year which is the final year on a 3 year term for Lion Steve. PDG Charles said that the State Retention Team has developed several flyers that he will have available at the next Cabinet meeting. He also said that he is available to visit clubs and talk about membership retention. He can also send some flyers to individual clubs for use in their member retention efforts.

Sight Conservation – PCC Howard Hawkins, Chair: No written report.

Women’s Development Initiative – PDG Sue Blakley, Chair: Lion Sue reports that she has met with several Lions and plans to have future meetings and encourage the wives of members to consider becoming an actual member as they do so much helping with fund raisers and other club projects. She said that focusing on ways to involve members with children is important and perhaps a Leo Club could help in that regard or members could take turns entertaining the children to allow their parents to take part in meetings. There are several suggestions for ways to involve young families. The next meeting of the group will be on Monday, January 10, 2011 in Monett. She invited anyone with suggestions, or need some, to attend that meeting.

Nominating Committee: – No report

Old Business: None

New Business:

Motions were made approve the following:

Accept Region, Zone and Committee Reports previously given – Motion by PDG Bill Botzow, Seconded by PDG Bob Crump. Motion carried.

After a lengthy discussion on the pros and cons of doing so, a motion made by PDG James W. Rosbrugh to for the District to purchase a \$750.00 ad in the 2011 football program book for \$750.00. Motion seconded by PDG Dean Westbay and carried.

A motion to honor a Lion with a C. Wayne Henderson award at the District Convention was made by PDG Bill Botzow, seconded by PDG Zana Botzow. Motion carried.

With no other business to conduct, Governor Debbie asked the tail twister, Lion Marilyn Harris to report on the discrepancies and mischief she had noted during the meeting. She fined almost everyone present in a joyful but persistent manner, allowing leniency to no one.

Some local club event announcements were made after which DG Debbie adjourned the meeting at 6:44 PM. A meal, catered by the Brick House Smoked Meats, Long Lane, MO, had been enjoyed earlier during a break in the cabinet meeting.

Secretary's Note:

All written reports, financial reports, cabinet member roll call and general attendance records are hereby attached and made a part of the permanent minutes of this meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion David E. Harris, PDG
Cabinet Secretary
Missouri Lions District 26-M6

ADDENDUM TO MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 13, 2011 CABINET MEETING

PDG Cabinet Secretary Dave,

With the voting closed and the ballots counted all propositions (wording) passed therefore I declare the item approved. Please enter the aforementioned as an addendum to the Nov. 13, 2010 Cabinet Meeting.

Thank you very much for your attention to this very important matter!

DG Debbie

Debbie Whittlesey

From: James Rosbrugh [mailto:rosylion@healypc.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 16, 2010 12:26 AM
To: Dave/Marilyn Harris; Debbie Whittlesey
Cc: James W. Rosbrugh
Subject: Closing of Minutes

Secretary Dave, Governor Debbie,

It is my personal opinion that all voting members of the Cabinet who were present at the November 13, 2010 Cabinet meeting have had ample opportunity to express their opinion of the Propositions and their wording. My count of 34 members' eligible to vote, only twenty-three "cast a ballot" by e-mail. I do NOT have a record of the three notices sent by USPS.

Proposition 1: YES-22 NO-1, Needed to pass: 18
Proposition 2: YES-23 NO-0, Needed to pass: 18
Proposition 3: YES-22 NO-1, Needed to pass: 18
Proposition 4: YES-23 NO-0, Needed to pass: 18

Proposition 5: YES-22 NO-1, Needed to pass: 18
Proposition 6: YES-23 NO-0, Needed to pass: 18
Proposition 7: YES-23 NO-0, Needed to pass: 18
Proposition 8: YES-23 NO-0, Needed to pass: 18

Governor Debbie, it is up to you to declare the item "Approved" of "Disapproved", and instruct Secretary Dave to enter that into the minutes as the Addendum. Secretary Dave, the Addendum will include the Attached Propositions (Ballot Wording).

Lion James W. Rosbrugh, PDG
District 26-M6 Chairperson
Constitution and By-Laws Committee

Attachment 1: Propositions for District Convention Ballot

Proposition #1. That Article IV, Section 6 of the District 26-M6 Constitution be amended to reflect the two separate positions of Secretary and Treasurer of the District Governor’s Honorary Committee?

Shall this Proposition be adopted?

YES

NO

ARTICLE IV - District Organization, Section 6.-DISTRICT COMMITTEES., b, DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S HONORARY COMMITTEE: There shall be a District Honorary Committee consisting of Past International Officers and Past District Governors within the District. The Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer ~~and Secretary-Treasurer~~ shall be elected annually by committee members. This committee shall meet when and as called upon by the Chairperson

The affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the delegates present and voting, plus the adoption of Proposition #5 on this ballot, is required for the adoption of this Proposition.

Proposition #2. That Article 1, Section 8 of the District 26-M6 By-Laws be amended for grammar, (housekeeping item)?

Shall this Proposition be adopted?

YES

NO

BY-LAWS, ARTICLE 1 - District Convention, Section 8. DISTRICT AND STATE CONVENTION HOSPITALITY EVENTS: The District Honorary Committee shall organize and host all hospitality events at the District Convention of 26-M6, the MD26 (State) Convention and at the MD26 Council of Governors meeting in January if the State Convention is to be hosted by the District for that year. Arrangements shall be made in consultation with the District Governor Elect and the Convention Chairperson.

The affirmative vote of a simple majority (more than 50%) of the delegates present and voting is required for the adoption of this Proposition.

Proposition #3. That Article III, Section 2, Paragraph b, of the District 26-M6 By-Laws be amended to bring it into conformity with all other filing procedures?

Shall this Proposition be adopted?

YES

NO

ARTICLE III - District Nominations, Elections and Appointments Section 2. DISTRICT GOVERNOR QUALIFICATION AND ELECTION PROCEDURES: b. Any qualified member of a club in the district seeking the office of District Governor shall file a letter of intention to so run in writing with the ~~Nominating~~ Honorary Committee prior to the day of its report to the convention, and furnish evidence of compliance with the qualifications for said office set out in the International Constitution and By-Laws

The affirmative vote of a simple majority (more than 50%) of the delegates present and voting is required for the adoption of this Proposition.

Proposition #4. That Article III, Section 10, of the District 26-M6 By-Laws be amended for grammar (housekeeping item)?

Shall this Proposition be adopted?

YES

NO

ARTICLE III - District Nominations, Elections and Appointments Section 10. REGION CHAIRPERSON QUALIFICATIONS: b. Have servedas a Zone Chairperson or a Cabinet Secretary ~~of~~ or Cabinet Treasurer of this district....

The affirmative vote of a simple majority (more than 50%) of the delegates present and voting is required for the adoption of this Proposition.

Proposition #5. That Article IV, Section 11, of the District 26-M6 By-Laws be amended to reflect the two separate positions of Secretary and Treasurer of the District Governor’s Honorary Committee?

Shall this Proposition be adopted?

YES

NO

Section 11. DISTRICT HONORARY COMMITTEE: The Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer and Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected annually by committee members.

The affirmative vote of a simple majority (more than 50%) of the delegates present and voting, plus the adoption of Proposition #1 on this ballot, is required for the adoption of this Proposition.

Proposition #6. That Article VIII, Section 7, of the District 26-M6 By-Laws be amended for grammar (housekeeping item)?

Shall this Proposition be adopted?

YES

NO

ARTICLE VIII, Section 7. FISCAL YEAR; The fiscal year of this district shall be from July 1 to June 30.

The affirmative vote of a simple majority (more than 50%) of the delegates present and voting is required for the adoption of this Proposition.

Proposition #7. That Article IX, Section 2, of the District 26-M6 By-Laws be amended to identify proper portion of document (housekeeping item)?

Shall this Proposition be adopted?

YES

NO

ARTICLE IX – Amendments, Section 2. Notice of Resolutions to Amend:proposed Resolution to Amend the ~~Constitution~~ By-Laws of the District will be voted upon at said Convention.

The affirmative vote of a simple majority (more than 50%) of the delegates present and voting is required for the adoption of this Proposition.

Proposition #8. That Article X, of the District 26-M6 By-Laws be deleted (housekeeping item)?

Shall this Proposition be adopted?

YES

NO

~~**ARTICLE X – Effective Time** After approval by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of registered delegates of District 26 Mm6 present and voting, this Constitution and By-Laws shall take effect at the close of the Convention of Lions Clubs International June 27, 2008.~~

The affirmative vote of a simple majority (more than 50%) of the delegates present and voting is required for the adoption of this Proposition.

Text to be deleted identified in ~~Red with strike thru~~

Text to be added is identified in Blue, italics with underline