

**Lions District 26-M2  
Cabinet Meeting Minutes  
August 5, 2019  
The Timbers, Eureka**

IPDG Joe Foster (Beaufort) welcomed everyone at 6:30 p.m., and passed the gavel over to District 26M2 Governor George Winkeler 2019-2020.

**Pledge:** IPDG Joe Foster (Beaufort)

**Song:** Lion Jennifer Winkeler (House Springs)

**Invocation:** Lion Paul Carr (House Springs)

A Moment of Silence for those sick and departed members, and our military.

**Appointment of Tail Twister:** PCC Al Blumenberg (House Springs), Lion Dennis (Washington) moved that funds go to the Spot Camera Fund, 2<sup>nd</sup> by 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Devin Struttman (Union)

**Introduction of first time attendees to Cabinet Meeting:** Lion Michele Oberg (Gray Summit), Lion Pauline Oberg (Gray Summit), Lion Rosie Lewis (Gray Summit), Lion Tom Hilfinger (St. Louis Southside), Lion Jean Hilfinger (St. Louis Southside), Lion Victoria Vonderhaar (Rock Community), Lion Sandy Halama (Webster Groves), Lion Rob Halama (Webster Groves).

**Secretary Report:** Lion Michelle Foster (Beaufort): Copies of the minutes from the Convention Cabinet Meeting of June 3, 2019 had been emailed prior to meeting and one copy was provided per table. Motion made to accept Minutes as written by 1<sup>st</sup> VDGE Sandee Marshall (Wildwood Area), and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lion Pam Manuel (Pacific), motion passed.

**Treasurer Report:** Lion Dennis Hemsath (Washington): Administration account \$43,334, Service Account \$17,597, Money Market Savings \$15,349. Movement made to accept treasurer report by Lion Pam Manuel (Pacific), second by Lion Teddy Speeler (Webster Groves), approved.

District Governor George Winkeler is inserting 15 minute programs into meetings. If would like to be part of this 15 minute program please see DG George. Program tonight VDG's & DG speak about Future. Octobers Meeting will be a Youth Exchange student.

Adjourned for dinner @7:02 p.m./Reconvened @7:25 p.m.

**Global Action Team Reports (GAT):**

**District GMT Coordinator** (Lion Mike Swederska, Webster Groves): Would like to speak at all zone meetings briefly, then try to reach all clubs.

**District GST Coordinator** (Lion Teddi Speeler, Webster Groves): 1<sup>st</sup> project this year is Pediatric Cancer bags again with personalized notes. We did 300+ bags last year. Lists are available for items to put in the bags. Will be putting these bags together on Nov. 3rd at Delta Gamma Center from 1-4 p.m.

**District GLT Coordinator** (Lion Jeff Rackovan, Union): Working on survey for all members concerning training, District zone chair training, Certified Guiding Lions, Club Officer trainings will be in the works. USA/Canada Forum is approaching September 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> in Spokane Washington. Advance Lions Leadership Institute is Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> in Chicago.

**New Voices** (Lion Sandy Halama, Webster Groves): Brining in a Woman speaker to tell how easy it is to get involved. In March for Women's International day doing a service project either for Dress for Success or Domestic Violence. Spotighting one woman every month for their great accomplishments they do behind the Lion scenes.

**Zone Chairperson Reports: 2nd VDG Devin Struttman (Union):**

Zone 1: Lion Shanna Richardson (Richwoods): Absent, No report.

Zone 2: Lion Geoff Mees (Mehville): Pevely, Concord Village, Mehville all have fundraisers. Some Governors visits set up.

Zone 3: Lion Paul Carr (House Springs): House Springs, Rock Community, Fenton all have fundraisers. Some Governors visits set up.

Zone 4: Lion Leon Hove (Washington): Absent, No report.

Zone 5: Lion Pam Manuel (Pacific): Gray Summit plus 4 members, Union down 2 members, Pacific 1 possible in works. Clubs have fundraising going. Planning zone meeting in September with a program by Hope Ranch.

Zone 6: Lion Phil Johnson (St. Louis Southside): Just reaching out to clubs. Some clubs are joining each other for fundraising events.

Zone 7: Lion Sue Templeton (Maplewood): Clubs are partnering with other clubs because not enough helpers for events.

Zone 8: Lion Pete Amos Jr. (Creve Coeur): Clubs working on Fund Raisers

Zone 9: Lion Angela Sontag (Wildwood Area): Family Picnics, Fundraising events, Wildwood 1 new member

**COMMITTEE REPORTS: 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Sandee Marshall (Wildwood Area):**

**Newsletter Editor** (Lion Dave Kinkade, Fenton): Deadline for next printing August 12<sup>th</sup>.

**District Convention Committee** (PCC Gina Boettcher, Chair, Beaufort): PCC Kimberly Taylor(Brentwood), Lion Kelly Rackovan(Rock Community), Lion Jennifer Winkeler(House Springs) are the Committee Members. We are going to LEAP into the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention – Feb. 28- Mar. 1. The cost of the full Convention is \$95. Meal choices are Beef, Chicken, or Fish. Hospitality for clubs is \$185. All details on website or contact Committee Members. Everyone is unsure what LEAP stands for yet.

**District Directory** (2<sup>nd</sup> VDGE Lion Devin Struttman, Union): Directories have been handed out to all Zone Chairs for clubs.

**Media Communications** (Lion Becky Speeler, Webster Groves): Last year was the 1<sup>st</sup> year for Social Media, and I am very pleased. Hoping to continue to move forward with Instagram and Twitter. Available to help any clubs with social media.

**Lions Opportunities for Youth** (Lion Toni Mahoney, Richwoods): Carl Junction Leos club sent 4 youth to USA/Canada Leo Leadership Forum. State Opportunity for Youth Committee sells raffle tickets to cover Youth Camp Exchange, Peace Poster, and Leos. Webster Groves Lions sent a young lady to Youth camp in Israel and we will hear from her on Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting. Missouri Youth camp had 9 youth this year.

**Delta Gamma** (Lion Nikki Hull, Fenton): Center has a group call Grads for Children 3 and above. The youngest group went to Trout Lodge, Middle & High School Age children went to Breckenridge, CO, for kayaking & camping.

**Kids Sight** (Lion Jeff Rackovan): Kid-Sight volunteer training was successful. Our District will be assembling a Vision Committee establishing procedures & protocols for our camera usage. Union & Washington clubs have assisted with approx. 350 screenings with about 50 referrals. Kid-Sight has a web application, Sign Up Genius. Any questions please contact Lion Jeff Rackovan.

**Leader Dog** (IPDG Joe Foster, Beaufort): 291 people were serviced last year at no cost to those clients. Our District donated \$17,506 for last lions fiscal year. Please keep up the donations and if you want a presentation at your club or zone meeting please contact IPDG Joe Foster.

**Mid-South** (Lion Jennifer Winkeler, House Springs): Quarterly Meetings Sept. 6-7, Nov. 15-16. Please consider using smile.amazon.com and choose Mid-South as a percentage of your purchases will be donated to Mid-South. Lions Weekend will be April 24-25, 2020 @ Hamilton Eye Institute, Memphis, TN.

**MindsEye** (Kathy Pusateri, Fenton): Virtual Newstand. They now offer audio transcription of the Cardinals, the Blues, The Muny, St. Louis Zoo. Hosting Fall Classic Beepball, October 13<sup>th</sup> @ Sunset Hills Athletic Fields. My goal is to have a 26M2 team participate in this event. All services are free and rely on charitable donations.

**Saving Sight** (Lion Pat Marchink, House Springs): Report given by 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Sandee Marshall: At last Board Meeting new Officers were elected: Lion Pat Marchink-President, PCC Lion Larry Boettcher M4-1<sup>st</sup> Vice President.

**Leo Clubs** (Lion Pam Manuel, Pacific): Leo clubs are important as they are our future. Would like to help any Community help set up a Leo Club.

**Lions Assistance & Service (LAS)** (Lion Kelly Rackovan, Rock Community): 156 Service requests were completed last year. Zero had to be forwarded to the District. All Club Presidents & Secretaries will receive the procedure information for LAS. We want to hear from everyone to recognize all the great work that is being done in our Communities.

**Old Business:**

\*Quality Lions Awards: This program is still available and many are eligible for this program. Forms are available ask DG George Winkeler, Jr.

\*Things You Should Know About Lions – Information Booklet is on the Website.

\*Spot Camera Update: District M2 Camera Grant has been approved. We need matching funds, if any clubs want to donate contact one of the Cabinet Members, funds are increasing. Our port is \$9,000 to cover all accessories.

**New Business:**

\*Copies of Proposed 2019-2020 Budget on table. A Motion and a Second was made. Vote the Budget passed.

**DG Remarks:** DGE Lion George Winkeler Jr. (House Springs):

District Convention Speaker will be International Director from New York.

222 Raffle - \$5 ea./3 for \$10. Drawn Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Will be good for Our District Convention or State Convention. Proceeds go to cover some District Convention costs.

District pins are available \$3 ea.

DG Theme "Aspire to Inspire"

**2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Remarks:** 2<sup>nd</sup> VDGE Lion Devin Struttmann (Union): Reach out for help & to help other clubs. Do things outside your club.

**1<sup>st</sup> VDG Remarks:** 1<sup>st</sup> VDGE Lion Sandee Marshall (Wildwood Area): Did you know?!! Put interesting things in the newsletter. We have less than half members receiving the newsletter.

**Treasurer Remarks:** Lion Dennis Hemsath (Washington): Log on to My Lion – very interesting information can be found on it.

**Tail Twister:** \$68 (Funds for Spot Cameras)

Next Cabinet Meeting will be October 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. at The Timbers.

Next Global Action Team (GAT) Meeting Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, at The Timbers, 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned @ 8:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Michelle Foster

26M2 Cabinet Secretary 2019/2020