

**Lions District 26-M2
Cabinet Meeting Minutes
December 3, 2018
The Timbers, Eureka**

DG Joe Foster (Beaufort) welcomed everyone at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge: Lion Dennis Hemsath (Washington)

Song: 1st VDG George Winkeler (House Springs)

Invocation: Lion Sandee Marshall (Wildwood Area)

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

Appointment of Tail Twister: Lion Nikki Hull (Fenton)

Introduction of first time attendees to Cabinet Meeting: Lion Dan Telford(Ferguson), Lion John Kuhlman(Ferguson), Lion John Gregory(Webster Groves), Lion Tony Bommarito(St. Louis Southside), Lion Matthew Harris(Overland), Lion Terry Monroe(Overland), Lion Jay Fetsch(Overland).

Secretary Report: Lion Michelle Foster (Beaufort): Copies of the minutes from the Cabinet Meeting of October 1, 2018 had been emailed prior to meeting and one copy was provided per table. One correction made by Lion Michelle Foster, Beaufort. Under 1stVDG remarks Lion George Winkeler(House Springs) was not in Spokane, Washington, he was in Columbus, OH. Motion made to accept Minutes as written by Lion Pam Manuel (Pacific) and second by Lion Dennis Hemsath (Washington)

Treasurer Report: Lion Dennis Hemsath (Washington): Treasurers report – Administration account \$47,198, Service Account \$35,511. Motion made to accept treasurer report by 2nd VDG Sandee Marshall (Wildwood Area), second by Lion Teddi Speeler, GST (Webster Groves)

Zone Chairperson Reports: 2nd VDG Sandee Marshall (Wildwood Area):

Zone 1: Lion John Yount (Richwoods) – No Report

Zone 2: Lion Toni Klingeman (Lemay-Jefferson Barracks): No Report

Zone 3: Lion Kathy Pusateri (Fenton): No losses/No gains of Members.

Zone 4: Lion Leon Hove (Washington): Beaufort plus 2 Members, Gerald plus 2 Members, Washington 3-4 new perspective waiting to fill pre-requirements. Zone with a plus 8 membership.

Zone 5: No Zone Chair. – No report

Zone 6: PDG Lion Missy Carr (Webster Groves): St. Louis Downtown 1 new perspective member, Webster installing 2 new members.

Zone 7: Lion Sue Templeton (Maplewood): Maplewood 2 new members. December 4th Zone/Christmas Meeting.

Zone 8: Lion Pete Amos Jr. (Creve Coeur): Working on scheduling a zone meeting. All doing service donations.

Zone 9: Lion Angela Sontag (Wildwood Area): all clubs doing fundraisers and service activities.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: 1st VDG George Winkeler Jr. (House Springs):

Constitution and Bylaws (Lion Gina Boettcher, Beaufort): Voting on several items at February M2 Convention – for 2019/2020 – District Governor, 1st Vice District Governor, 2nd Vice District Governor, Eye Care Committee, Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation/Saving Sight Board Member, and the location of the 2020-M2 Convention. State Convention we will be voting on – 2020 State Convention to be held at Tan-Tara, Lake Ozark and hosted by District M3.

State/International Convention (Lion Gina Boettcher, Beaufort): MD26 State Convention May 2-5, 2019 at Stoney Creek Hotel in St. Joseph, MO. Full registration \$85, registration only is \$30., Hotel block will expire April 2nd. Room cost is \$99+tax. Lions International 102nd Convention will be in Milan, Italy, July 5th-9th, 2019.

Mid-South (Lion Jennifer Winkeler, House Springs): Lions Leaders Weekend (For All) is April 12-13, 2019 in Memphis, TN. Visiting the Hamilton Eye Institute, meeting doctors, meeting and hearing patient stories, and eats. Cost is \$120 per night for room.

LBOMB-Lions Business Opportunities Missouri Blind (Lion Bunny McGinnis, Maplewood): Facilities not being managed by blind people. Smaller non-profitting facilities are combining managers with profiting facilities which is saving LBOMB.

Diabetes (Lion Ruth Boyer, Beaufort): Costing the state of Missouri more than \$6.7 million, more than 689,000 Missourians have it. Has aprons & cans available to help fight this disease.

Lions Assistance & Services Hotline (PDG Eugene Taylor, Brentwood & Lion Kelly Rackovan, Rock Community, & Lion Kim Fanter, House Springs): 40 requests have come through since Oct. 1st, assistance given by multiple clubs in district, including helping M4 with hospital beds. Learning that many insurances will cover a portion even if it is small, or spouses with VA benefits that they aren't aware of. Thank you and keep servicing your communities.

Saving Sight (Lion Pat Marchink, House Springs): Audit was performed on financials, no discrepancies were noted and 990 was filed. Board meeting to be held Saturday, Dec. 7, 2018. As of the end of September 729 Corneas were granted.

District GLT Coordinator (Lion Devin Struttman, Union): Global action team members are always available to come to clubs. Leadership positions are available in District & State. GPLLI is the last Saturday in July, scholarships are available to attend and also now anyone that has attended in the past over 5 years ago can attend now, even Past District Governors. 2019 USA/Canada Forum in Spokane, Washington Sept. 19th-21st.

District GST Coordinator (Lion Teddi Speeler, Webster Groves): Thanks for the support of our 1st Service project of Comfort Bags for Pediatric Cancer Patients at Children's Hospital, at this time 256 bags, the staff and families have been extremely grateful. Our next project will be a Hunger Service Project, keep your eyes open. Please all clubs remember to report your service, and I am always available to visit your clubs.

District GMT Coordinator (Lion Pam Manuel, Pacific): New Voices hear us Roar Work Shop, February 2, 2019, in Springfield. Currently 1,112 Members in our District.

Delta Gamma (Lion Barb Kurkowski, Maplewood): DGCKids Christmas Cards. Club service project DGC's Shining Light Tree Lot from Nov. 23 – Dec. 22nd, they are in desperate need of volunteers. Thanks to PDG Lion Elmer Weinrich and The Chesterfield Lions for sending all their past supporters to their lot and for giving them a new tree supplier name.

Hearing (PCC Lion John Yount, Richwood), Report given by PCC Lion Kimberly Taylor, Brentwood: 1 bill submitted, and applications out waiting to be returned. State Hearing Sweepstake tickets have been distributed.

Used Eyeglasses (PDG Lion Elmer Weinrich, Chesterfield): \$1,200 eyeglasses were delivered to the Jefferson City Host Lions Club, as they are setting up to process eyeglasses for the state. Ferguson Lions eye wrap collected 1422 eyeglasses.

LCIF (IPDG Lion Joe Detter, DeSoto): New focus is to raise \$3 million in 3 years. I will be traveling to visit all clubs. Lots of new grants are available to clubs.

District Convention (PDG Debbie Blumenberg, House Springs; PCC Kimberly Taylor, Brentwood): **"TODAY"** is the day to register for District Convention. Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 16th – 17th. Hospitality on Saturday Night. Banquet luncheon on Saturday where International guest will speak and awards will be given. Memorial Necrology will be Sunday with the closing of Convention business. Full registration \$78 per person. \$2 Fee for hospitality if not registered for convention. This is to keep us from going to a High School gymnasium for our convention, where drinks would not be an option.

Media Communications (Lion Becky Speeler, Webster Groves) reported on by DG Joe Foster, Beaufort: Please continue to forward all events to Lion Becky as she is blasting all out on social media.

Leader Dog: (DG Lion Joe Foster, Beaufort): Missouri Leader Dog Trip planned for July 26-28. See DG Joe Foster or Lions Michelle Foster

Old Business:

*Quality Lions Awards: This program is still available and many are eligible for this program. Forms are available ask DG Joe Foster.

*District Gavel has been missing for a while if anyone know of its whereabouts please find it.

*Peace Posters: There were 3 Posters submitted. This year they were judged by the Potosi and Valley-Belgrade Lions at a Governors Visit, because they have to be post marked to send to the Council Chair by Dec. 1st. 1st place – Hillsboro, 2nd place – Pacific, 3rd place – Richwoods.

New Business:

*2nd Vice District Governor Nominations - Lion Tim Ellefson, President Union Lions club nomination for Lion Devin Struttman, Union.

*1st Vice District Governor Nominations – Lion Ed Marshall, President Wildwood Lions club nomination for Lion Sandee Marshall, Wildwood Area.

*District Governor Nominations – PCC Lion Al Blumenberg, House Springs for Lion George Winkeler, Jr., House Springs.

*Eye Foundation Secretary Nomination – Lion Kathy Pusateri, Fenton

*Saving Sight Board – Lion Pat Marchink, House Springs

2ND VDG Remarks: 2nd VDG Lion Sandee Marshall (Wildwood Area): In a room full of generous all throughout the year not just this time of the year. Have a Merry & Blessed Season.

1st VDG Remarks: 1st VDG Lion George Winkeler Jr. (House Springs): Many Thanks to PCC Lion Al Blumenberg, House Springs for the nomination. Thanks to IPDG Lion Joe Detter, DeSoto for starting the TEAM.

DG Remarks: District doing well, Governors visit going well, and the TEAM is working well together. If your club or community has needs reach out to network with neighboring clubs. You are not alone. Wish everyone a Safe and Merry Christmas and Happy Healthy New Year.

50/50: Played Heads/Tails - \$1 per play. IPDG Lion Joe Detter, DeSoto was first game winner, Lion Teddi Speeler, Webster Groves was 2nd game winner, Lion Pete Amos, Creve Couer 3rd game winner. Overall winner of \$55 is Lion Teddi Speeler, Webster Groves. She donated it back to the Lions for Leader Dog. (\$111 total)

Tail Twister: \$150 to Delta Gamma.

Next Cabinet Meeting will be February 4th, at the Timbers, 6:00 p.m.

GAT Meeting January 7th, At The Timbers, 7:00 p.m.

Next Meeting Free Meal: PCC Lion Kimberly Taylor (Brentwood)

Meeting Adjourned @ 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Michelle Foster

26M2 Cabinet Secretary 2018/2019