

Cabinet Meeting Minutes
September 29th 2013
Simonds Lions Club

Meeting was called to order at 11:10 am by District Governor Lucio Cordisco. The Canadian National Anthem was sung led by Lion John Roberts from Rexton Lions Club. The Lions Invocation and a moment of silence was observed in remembrance of deceased Lions and World Peace.

Simonds President Lion Floyd Luttrell welcomed the Lions to Simonds Lions Club and the first cabinet meeting of this Lions year. He assured the meeting he is a man of short words – he was right. Lion Floyd wished everyone a good day and enjoy the good weather.

District Governor Lucio introduced himself and reported that he had visited Chipman Minto Lions Club and they were a nice club. He also visited two other clubs, Jacquet River being one and he told them they needed to add more members.

DG Lucio stated he is purchasing 65 Multiple District Pins for Shippagan and Bouchtouche Clubs. he also wants each Zone Chairperson to take 10 pins each to sell to the clubs in their respective Zones. DG Lucio passed 130 pins to Pin Chair Lion Paul Cousins.

DG Lucio restated his objectives for this year is to have more ladies in our clubs, new members in each club and 3 new clubs and maybe a all ladies club.

Due to circumstances there are no minutes for the June Team Meeting held at Newcastle Lions Club nor the Organizational Meeting at Bouchtouche in August.

Zone Chair Leola interrupted for DG Lucio and stated that there has been problems with the directory and it is still at the printer and should be ready in a couple of weeks. DG Lucio stated that he would possibly email it to the Lions. it should be ready for distribution at the next cabinet meeting.

DG Lucio introduced 1st VDG Susan Sangster, it appeared in her initial greeting that 1st VDG Susan is missing summer already and fearing the onslaught of snow is about to enter our weather system. She is looking forward to her year as 1st VDG and reminded Lions of the three R's of Service which is included in her report.

See report at end of minutes

DG Lucio Introduced 2nd VDG Doug Small. 2nd VDG Doug spoke on his attendance at the USA Canada Forum last week and encouraged all Lions to pursue the opportunity of attending a forum in the future. he stated another lesson learned from his trip to the forum is never to fly Air Canada as his experience this time took him 18 hours to get to Kansas but after all it was a rewarding experience.

See report at end of minutes

Roll Call was taken CST – CC Lion Stewart called club attendance and reports 73 members representing 27 clubs answered roll call.

Audit for 2012-2013 – PDG Gerard Hartigan reported that the audit was so far good, nothing appeared to be out of order but he has not received the books yet. he came to the Cabinet Meeting to receive the books and to say something, as he did, he hopes to have the audit completed shortly.

Broke for Lunch at 11:50am

The Simonds Lions served delicious soups and sandwiches for those Lions that did not leave for Portage recognition Day Celebrations.

Meeting reconvened at 1PM. 1st VDG Susan gave a report on ASPES – Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority. See report at end of minutes.

The organization is re-building a playground and looking for funding assistance. The playground is a “safe” area to play for those with special needs.

The cost for Phase 2 of the playground is \$107,000. They have already raised some of the money needed but still need \$67,000

Probably would not qualify for LCIF grant because they are in the second phase with some of the work completed (don't know if you want to mention this or not.)

Part of Education System – costs covered by APSEA and School Board Participants by Province

	2012-13	2011-12	2010-11	2009-2010	Total		67,000.00
NL	30	10	10	10	60	8.65%	5,792.51
NB	30	33	39	57	159	30.55%	20,466.86
PEI	7	13	19	14	53		
NS	111	88	118	105	422	60.81%	40,740.63

178 144 186 186 694 100.00%

The break down would have us funding \$20500

The question to clubs is whether our District is in support of contributing to this project. You can find additional information by going to the website at www.apsea.ca

There will be a separate letter to all clubs in the near future. Direct all enquiries to 1st VDG Susan and advise of your interest. Any decisions to help are a decision of the individual club.

Past District Governors were recognized and presented with the DG Pin.

Committee Reports:

Alert inserted at end of minutes

CDA NB Liaison Lion Harold away CDA Edmonton report inserted at end of minutes

CDA PEI Report inserted at end of minutes Lion Paul also away CDA Edmonton

Cavalcade NB Report inserted at end on minutes

Cavalcade PEI PDG Bev gave a brief report of PEI Cavalcade

Constitution and By-laws Jim Aucoin spoke on a Notice of Motion that will be prepared for The February Cabinet Meeting and will be circulated at a later date. Lion Don Smith, part of C&BL committee spoke on the Manual for Convention Guidelines. Lion Don suggested that we as a District should adopt the Standard C&BL from LCI and that would ensure we are in compliance with LCI C&BL.

Notice of Motion details to be circulated later.

Convention Chair Lion Paul Matheson reported that plans for the Annual Convention are under way and more information will come as time progresses. Lion Paul also reported on the Environment and challenges clubs to get involved with working to help the environment. Report at end of minutes

Lion Paul also announced that Newcastle Lions Club has inducted their very first female Lion .

Cultural and Community Activities Lion Margaret Dressaire asked Lions to save their pop can tabs to aid in purchasing a special wheel chair. Lion Margaret also asked all clubs to add her email address to their activity reports mail outs. This will assist her in completing her Cabinet post.

LFC Lion Doug Cook emailed his report which is inserted at end of minutes.

Eye glass collections - Lion Karen Estey Rideout reported on Lion Gary's behalf. Please keep collecting eye glasses but clubs will have to hold on to them until we have shipper in place again.

Lion Ron Evans Bursary Fund PDG Boyd Sangster reported on the fund, his report is attached at end of minutes.

Information & Technology Lion Reg House passed in his report as he had to leave at noon to get to Portage recognition ceremony at Sussex. See end of minutes

Lion Quest Lion Heather reported on Lions Quest report inserted at end of minutes.

LCIF PDG Tim sent his regrets, unable to attend due to a death in the family. Report submitted at end of minutes.

LFC Lion Karen reported that the Foundation Clothing sales are continuing. She also received information on using Canadian Tire Money to aid The Foundation. Lions Clubs are encouraged to collect Canadian Tire Money for LFC.

Long Range Planning PDG Kevin suggested that the LRP should be made up of 3-4 members. he has names of some Lions who have offered, 2nd VDG Doug offered his assistance. PDG Kevin suggested when planning her year not to schedule Cabinet Meetings on special days, Super Bowl, etc.

LFC PDG Jan reported that there is a long waiting list of potential recipients for guide dogs. In July they celebrated the graduation and designation of our guide dogs. PDG Jan also thanked all Lions of the District for making the Convention in April a huge success.

Peace Poster Chair Lion Jim stated that the last day to order peace Poster kits is October 1 2013. This year's theme is Our World our Future. He gave the deadlines for completion and advised we have more clubs participating this year.

Sight & Hearing Lion Michel Dressaire reported that he accepted the Sight and hearing Chair and will be sending info to Zone chairs soon.

Speak out chair PDG Denzil would like to see more speakers at the District Speak out competition. he spoke on using groups in addition to schools.

Pin chair Lion Paul has received 130 of the 200 MDN pins. Lion Paul encourages Lions to help support with purchasing MDN pins.

Zone Chair Lion Brennan left to attend Portage Recognition. He submitted his report stating 7 of 13 Zone Chairs attended the Zone Meeting held at 10am. He has issued a call for a Zone Chair for Zone 5. Lion Brennan has supplied the Zone chairs manuals and other important manuals to assist in their duties .

GLT CC Stewart submitted his report see end of minutes

GMT Lion Gerry submitted his report via email see attached at end of minutes

Old Business

CC Stewart presented an expense report from PCST Lion Norah for \$700.00 to attend The Advanced Lions Leadership Institute. Prior year's presidents were discussed and Lion Bobby Briehl made a motion to pay Lion Norah \$200.00 towards the expenses seconded by PDG Denzil motion carried.

A bill from LCI club supplies representing a statement for Officers Crests and Name Badges in the amount of \$232.35 which was charged under 2012-2013 year but unpaid to date. Moved by PDG Kevin to pay this bill seconded by PDG Boyd, motion carried.

New business

Curling Bonspiel Lion Paul reported on his views of setting up a schedule for the Curling Bonspiel and rotate the schedule instead of passing it on to the winner of the event, especially since they always seem to win.

PDG's According to LCI the Immediate Past District Governor is to Chair the PDG Association. As chair CC Stewart believes it is time and essential for PDG's to take an active role in the District and would like to set a meeting time to discuss the responsibilities and view the presentation of PDG's. Submitted by CC Stewart CC Stewart spoke to the PDG's in attendance.

Douglastown reported they are having a Dog Walk

PDG Denzil reported that eastern Charlotte Lions will be holding a memorial for the Late PDG Carl Tracy, updates will follow.

MDN Fall Conference – CC Stewart reported that registrations are available to attend MDN Fall Conference in Gander Nfld.

Saint John South End Lions Charter Event Lion Heather reported October 20th is the date of the Charter event at Saint John The Baptist King Edward School at 2PM

MDN Survey about Fall Conference. CC Stewart reported on the Survey prepared by MDN Long Range Planning on what Lions think of the fall Conference and what we can do to make it better for the lions.

Additional Reports Submitted

Public relations Chair Lion Reg

District N-1 Leo Chair Lion reg House

Meeting adjourned 2:38PM