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Minutes of the Second 2009-2010 A-15 Cabinet Meeting St. Marys, Ontario- Sun. October 25, 2009

The meeting of the District A-15 Cabinet was called to order at 10:30 A.M. by Governor Karen McNeight, with the following present:

Gov. Karen McNeight	1 st VDG Todd Wilson	2 nd VDG Norma Peterson	
IPDG OJ Wilura	Treas. Peter Oswald	RC51 Neil Hoogendoorn	
ZC9E Bill Weiler	ZC9S Gerry Runstedler	ZC37S Henri Callebert	
ZC37W Tim De Block	RC37 Penny Overboe	ZC51E Denis Vinette	
Zc51W Freda Walker			
CC Dan Ayim	CC Wolfgang Boelke	CC Rudy&Lorea Boogerman	CC Jim Loucks
CC Dennis Loughheed	CC Bill Carson	CC Ernie Kaethler	CC Dan Moore
CC John Paff	CC Larry Wainwright	CC Rob Montgomery	CC Ted Ryma
CC David Rumble	CC Doug Smith	CC Joyce Townson	CC John Rothwell
CC Raymond Taylor			

Regrets: RC 9 Chair Charlie Davis

In Attendance also were approximately 50 other Lions Members. Sign-up sheet on file. *C=Comm. Chair

Governor Karen recognized ID Carl Young, PIDs, PCCs, PDGs, former Cabinet officers, Club officers and all other Lions in attendance. A moment's silence was observed for departed Lions and family.

Additions to agenda – None. **Moved** by OJ Wilura, seconded by Bill Weiler to accept the agenda. **Carried**

Gov. Karen remarks were on the growth of new members and thanked all Loins for their hard work.

Moved by CS Georgina McGregor, seconded by ZC Henri Callebert that the **August 2009 Cabinet Meeting Minutes** be received as circulated. **Carried**

Moved by Treas. Peter Oswald, seconded by Denis Vinette that the financial report be received. **Carried**

Gov. Karen called for the Cabinet Reports;

1st VDG Todd Wilson: report submitted and added that he would like to see more Lions think about running for office. Appreciates all the email he gets. Also went to the K-W Community Spirit Club in place of Gov. Karen's visitation, as she was ill.

2nd VDG Norma Peterson: report submitted, also stated that she & Lion Eric enjoyed the Region 37 Rally.

RC 37 Penny Overboe: report submitted. Stated that the Region Rally was well attended

RC51 Neil Hoogendoorn: thanked the Clubs in 51. Has only had three Clubs send in reports and he would like to encourage other Clubs to send in their reports.

ZC Bill Weiler: report submitted - had the first zone meeting with all Clubs in 9E attending.

ZC Gerry Runstedler: report submitted – Zone 9S meeting on Tues., Nov. 3 in Paris. The zone seems to be thriving.

ZC Henri Callebert: report submitted. Has been on visitations. Had a good zone meeting and commented on the Region Rally being well done. New Hamburg club has their annual calendars for sale.

ZC Tim De Block: report submitted. Has enjoyed being ZC. There will be a Zone 37W meeting in Monkton on Nov. 9th.



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ZC Freda Walker: report submitted. New dated for zone 51W meeting is Jan.11/10 in Atwood

ZC Denis Vinette: report submitted. Has started a "Weight Loss Challenge for Diabetes" and would like to challenge the members of clubs to pledge an amount per pound until the Convention in 2010 to the Canadian Diabetes Association. Check out the web site for more information and to get a pledge sheet.

Moved by ZC Henri Callebert, seconded by Neil Hoogendoorn the reports be received as presented and published in the Cabinet package. **Carried.**

Gov. Karen introduced ID Carl Young: He spoke on the emphasis on Retention of Lions members. This is a concern in U.S.A. and in Canada. Also, that we are not converting Leos to Lions. He would like to see a goal in Canada to increase members by 100 and Charter eight new clubs. Lion Carl was also the guest speaker at the 30th Annual St. Marys Lions Club International Breakfast prior to the Cabinet meeting

Gov. Karen thanked ID Carl for representing Canada and presented him with her personal pin.

Committee Reports Gov. Karen:

Honorary Comm. & LCIF Report- CC Bill Carson- report submitted – RC Dan Ayim and CC Woldfgang Boelke were presented this week with the Melvin Jones Award. The Honorary Committee will meet on Friday, Nov. 30/09, 7:00 p.m. at the Queens Inn, Stratford. So far ten going, need confirmation if anyone else is attending.

Convention Host – CC Jim Loucks: report submitted. **Moved by** 1st VDG Todd Wilson, seconded by IDDG OJ Wilura to receive the Convention report. **Carried.**

Lion Jim stated that there has been interest in hosting the convention in 2011, 12, 13 and 18-24 months is needed to organize a convention.

Moved by RC Penny Overboe, seconded by ZC Freda Walker that the Cabinet approve the Elmira Lions Club hosting the 2011 Convention. **Carried.**

Long Range Planning – IPDG OJ Wilura – report submitted – There have been four Clubs requesting assistance. If any other Clubs need assistance, please ask. Some Clubs are not submitting their MMR's to International, therefore any changes in Club membership is not reported.

Technical Resource Chair – CC Ted Rypma – submitted report – Lion Stephen has asked that Clubs to check their entry on the Web Site and send events to him for distribution. If any Club or Secretaries need help, Lion Ted has put together a presentation that is available to you.

District International Relations – PID Art Woods – no report at this time.

Protocol – PID Bruce Murray – reported that PID Mike Butler will be the guest speaker for the 2010 Convention to be held in Stratford.

Committee Reports 1st VDG Todd Wilson

Youth Camp & Exchange – PCC Dave Rumble – Camp clean-up is Friday, May 7 & Saturday May 8/10. Youth arrive on July 3rd. Camp begins July 17th, close July 27th and home July 31 or Aug. 1st.

Lions Opportunities for Youth – PZC John Rothwell – will re-submit report. Would like to come up with a District Award for youths. Peace Poster is being looked after by the Woolwich Lions Club.

Effective Speaking will have their new pins for sale. Please get involved with the youth in your community.

Lions Service for Children – CC Denis Lougheed – Surveys have been collected and collated. If you have not done already, please send in your surveys, so that we know the programs that are in your community for the youth. Sight Screening, Hearing & Speech, Lions Quest. A new refractor has been



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purchased and Lions Quest is looking for a new home. RC Neil Hoogendoorn, Marsville Lions Club has been giving an award for girls & boys athlete of the year award for 30yrs.

Committee Reports 2nd VDG Norma Peterson

LFC – PDG John Paff – Dogs are now being trained for people who are autistic. Gov. Karen presented the Lions clubs that participated in the Purina Dog Walks between May 2008 – June 2009 with a certificate of appreciation. Clubs receiving this award are: Bayfield, Fergus, Guelph Royal City, Guelph, Ingersoll, Innerkip Dist., Kitchener, Kitchener Oktoberfest, Kitchener Pioneer, Kitchener Pioneer, K-W Community Spirit, Waterloo, St. Marys, Sweaburg, Wellesley, West Coast, Woodstock, and Woolwich.

Diabetes Awareness - PCS Ian Robb - Posters for Diabetes Tag Day have been handed out. There are 15 Clubs participating. Also, 4 diabetes breakfasts in 4 different zones.

Emergency Action /alert Program – CC Troy Mills - no report at this time.

Health Sciences Project – ZC Bill Weiler – report submitted

Environment – PCC Tim Cronin – no report at this time.

No Child Without Medic Alert – ZC Gerry Runstedler – Have confirmation that Cambridge High School has adopted this program.

Service to Seniors – CC Harvey Wood – no report at this time

Cultural & Comm. Activities – CC Ajit Manku – report submitted – Lions Multicultural Festival has been changed to Lions International Festival. Need assistance in finding a hall ASAP for up to 2 hours for a program of music & dance in March 2010.

Camp Chair Coordinator – CC Rob Montgomery - report submitted

Motion by 2nd VDG Norma Peterson, 2nd by 1st VDG Todd Wilson to accept Committee Reports. **Carried**

Merl Team – reports submitted

Coordinator – PDG Larry Wainwright- would like a 100% increase in ladies in Lionism.

Retention & Membership- there has been 30 of the 52 Clubs that have submitted their membership reports. First 100% Zone - 51E, Second 100% Zone - 51W, First 100% Region - 51.

Extension- PRC Dan Ayim – report submitted – In Ariss there was a group of 8 -9 families wanting to form a New Club. As there were not enough to form a Club, it was decided to form a Branch Club of the Guelph City Royal Lions Club.

Revitalization – PDG Dan Moore – Two Clubs that asked for assistance last year and since then have almost doubled their membership. The Merl Team is willing to assist any Club in any way that they can.

Leadership – PDG Doug Smith – Leadership School will be on May 15th, 2010 in Baden. The USA/Canada Forum had 21 Lions from our District attend with 11 being new attendees. Plan to attend the 2010 Forum and have a good time.

Family& Women’s Membership Development – PZC Joyce Townson – would like to see an increase of one woman or family member this year. Would be willing to go and speak at any club.

Question & Answer from the Floor

PDG John Daniels – Paris Lions had a problem with one of their projects, so they erected a sign at the entrance to the town and St. George Lion also erected a sign at their entrance helping with projects in the Club. IPDG OJ suggested, that when dealing with the media, make sure you indicate who you are and the name of the Club.



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RC Neil Hoogendoorn – Suggested that all Clubs pay \$30.00 towards the hospitality room at conventions. That way it would be easier on smaller Clubs that would like to have a member run for office, but cannot afford to pay for a hospitality room. This will be brought forward at the Honorary Committee & Long Range Planning meeting.

Upcoming Event

9S Zone Meeting –November 3/09 --- Paris
37W Zone Meeting – November 9/09 -- Monkton
Region Rally - November 5/09-- Elmira
Region Rally - November 24/09- Galt Cambridge

Please report number of members that are going, for the meal.

Adjournment

Moved by 1st VDG for adjournment at 12:20 p.m.