

**Fourth Cabinet Meeting District 9MC
Wig & Pen Pizza Pub
2005 South Ankeny Blvd, Ankeny, Iowa
May 27, 2008**

The fourth 9MC cabinet meeting of 2007-2008 was called to order at 6:00 pm by District Governor Susan Radke after cabinet members had ordered their meals. She then led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the dinner prayer. Roll call was taken by Cabinet Secretary Jerry Radke.

Cabinet Members Present:

Dennis Crabtree, Stamps for Veterans Chairperson
Linda Crabtree, Women's Membership Chairperson
Gary Fry, Honorary Cabinet Member
Mary Halstead, Zone Chairperson (R3Z2)
Steven Halstead, Leadership Development Chairperson and Iowa Lions Foundation Trustee
Guy Harris, Retention Chairperson and Constitution & By-Laws Chairperson
Ron Lillie, Diabetes Awareness Chairperson
Charlotte Miller, Region Chairperson (Region 1)
Chuck Miller, Cabinet Treasurer and Youth Exchange Chairperson
Francis Mowery, Environmental Chairperson
Jerry Radke, Cabinet Secretary
Susan Radke, District Governor
Len Ringgenberg, Iowa KidSight Chairperson
Jerry Roland, Leader Dog Chairperson
Michelle Roland, Hearing & Speech Action/Work with the Deaf Chairperson
Kim Smith, International Understanding & Cooperation Chairperson
Boyd Sparks, Zone Chairperson (R2Z4)
Betty Ulin, LCIF Chairperson

Others Present:

Chuck Boeding, Past District Governors Association
Mrs. Ron Lillie

Cabinet Members Absent:

Jean Bodensteiner, Membership Co-Chairperson
Kenny Dean, Membership Co-Chairperson (excused)
Myrna Goodyk, Peace Poster Chairperson
Vikki Harris, Information Technology Chairperson
Betsy Jones, Convention Co-Chairperson
John Jones, LEO Club Chairperson
Randy Kirkbride, District Governor Elect
Marlo Miller, Region Chairperson (Region 2)(excused, submitted a report)
JoAnn Nady, Campus Club Chairperson
Janice Price, District Historian
Leonard Tipping, Extension Chairperson (excused, submitted written report)
Mark Truesdell, Zone Chairperson (R3Z3) (excused, submitted written report)
Jan Whaley, Public Relations/Lions Info/ Convention Co-Chair

Cabinet Treasurer Chuck Miller handed out copies of the checking account, savings account, and

CD activities plus a second sheet showing the proposed budget and actual receipts and expenses. Guy Harris asked about the over-billing of the East Des Moines Lions Club. Chuck indicated that it has been repaid. There still remains \$400 for the Great Plains Leadership Conference after \$100 was allocated for Kim Smith's attendance. The only club with unpaid dues is the Ankeny Lions Club. Chuck Miller moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Betty Ulin, and approved.

The minutes of the February 24, 2008 cabinet meeting were considered. Past District Governor Bob Price (not a cabinet member) was at that meeting where he was mistakenly allowed to make three motions and one second. After some discussion it was agreed that the matter should be rectified. Each item in contention was handled individually. Chuck Miller moved to reconsider the acceptance of the November 10, 2007 minutes. Steve Halstead provided the second and the motion passed. Dennis Crabtree then moved to approve the November 10, 2007 minutes which passed after a second by Jerry Roland. Steve Halstead next moved to reconsider the acceptance of the amended budget presented at the February 24, 2008 meeting. The motion passed after a second from Ron Lillie. Chuck Miller moved to accept that amended budget, Kim Smith provided the second, and the motion passed.

We recessed at 6:20 pm to eat. The meeting resumed at 6:45 pm. Betty Ulin moved to reconsider the acceptance of the February 24, 2008 Treasurer's Report. Steve Halstead seconded, and the motion passed. Guy Harris moved to accept the Treasurer's Report from February 24, 2008, Chuck Miller seconded, and the motion passed. Steve Halstead moved to reconsider adjourning the February 24, 2008 meeting which passed after a second by Dennis Crabtree. Betty Ulin moved to approve the adjournment of the February 24, 2008 meeting, seconded by Linda Crabtree, and passed.

Guy Harris moved to accept the minutes from the February 24, 2008 meeting as corrected. Chuck Miller seconded and the motion passed with one opposed vote. Guy Harris next moved to accept the minutes of the February 24, 2008 special meeting. Betty Ulin provided the second and the motion passed unopposed.

Cabinet Secretary Jerry Radke presented communications from absent members. Kenny Dean sent an e-mail saying they would be on vacation in Alaska. Mark Truesdell e-mailed that he is on business in Kansas City but sent the minutes of his third and final Zone Meeting: Five of six clubs were present and reported on their activities and plans. Presentations were made on the Iowa Lions Eye Bank by Katie Charter and on Club Twinning by Kim Smith. Region Chairperson Marlo Miller from Laurel called before the meeting and gave the Cabinet Secretary a verbal report (hard copy to follow in the mail): He visited 13 clubs, attended three zone meetings, three cabinet meetings, and one convention. He traveled over 900 miles and asked that his \$100 reimbursement be donated to the Iowa Lions Foundation in his and the Laurel Lions Club's names. Leonard Tipping had to leave before the meeting started but left his written report: Lions clubs have been chartered in Stuart and at Iowa State University. Canvassing in Huxley turned up very little interest.

Reports:

Diabetes Chairperson Ron Lillie - Handed out a report showing that almost \$3000 has been raised from the district clubs for Diabetes and Camp Hertko Hollow. Donations sent to the State Office may not be reflected in this total. Story City and Altoona are sponsoring campers.

International Understanding Chair Kim Smith - reported that over \$2 million has been allocated for relief efforts in China after the earthquakes. LCIF and Lions around the world are mobilizing more than US\$2 million. Within 48 hours money from multiple districts was committed. A team of 40 Lions from Districts 381 and 380 traveled to Sichuan province to assist with hands-on relief efforts and the immediate and emerging needs of victims. The Lions are still in the area disbursing relief materials including tents, medicine and food. Working with the Chinese Red Cross, Lions purchased 10 relief vehicles and ambulances. If anyone is interest in club twinning, they should contact Kim. She also has been talking to International about the Alert Program and is trying to get something going in Iowa.

Retention Chairperson Guy C. Harris - There has been little need for visits to clubs with retention issues. He was asked not to attend club meetings because they were handling the potential problem and an outsider might make matters worse.

Honorary Cabinet Member Gary Fry - Spoke about extension efforts in Stuart, North Liberty, Bloomfield, Anamosa, and Shenandoah. One problem is people don't carry check books or don't want to sign up without checking with their spouse. There is a dire need for Guiding Lions and sponsoring clubs.

Leader Dog Chairperson Jerry Roland - Rockwell City Elementary has raised \$2400 and is sponsoring three puppies at the North Central Correction Facility. Nevada Elementary raised \$779.47 in a "Pennies" for Puppies event and the Nevada Lions Club added to it to sponsor two puppies. Sponsors get to name the puppies. Puppy Days at NCCF will be September 28, 2008 at the prison. As Vice District Governor, Jerry plans to visit all district clubs.

Youth Exchange Chairperson Chuck Miller - Homes are needed for International Youth Exchange Students. There are more male students this year. Their stay starts the end of June and lasts for three weeks. One is placed in Altoona and possibly another in Gilbert. Chuck would like to place at least two more in our district.

Zone Chairperson Charlotte Miller - Held two Region/Zone meetings and utilized District Chairs. KidSight and Membership presented good information. A representative of the

PET Project spoke at the last meeting in Nevada. She plans to attend another club anniversary and the ISU Campus Lions Club Charter Night.

Environmental Chairperson Francis Mowery - no report.

Stamps for Veterans Chairperson Dennis Crabtree - He is working on three packages of stamps to be sent soon. For Iowa KidSight, he has trained screeners in Johnston and Grimes at Johnston on February 26, 2008 and Colo and McCallsburg Lions at McCallsburg on March 6, 2008. Pleasantville Lions were trained on May 8, 2008 and he supervised their first screening on May 21, 2008. Preparing to do screenings at the 2008 Iowa State Fair. PDG Chuck Boeding asked for workers at the State Fair.

Women's Membership Chairperson Linda Crabtree - The Healthy Children's Conference is scheduled for October 18, 2008 in Des Moines.

Zone Chairperson Mary Halstead - She visited eight clubs in two zones. Katy Charter spoke at the April Region Meeting.

Leadership Development Chairperson Steve Halstead - He has hopes of holding a Presidents Conference shortly in the Marshalltown area probably on a Saturday. A place to meet is needed. After the start of the new year, he will conduct a workshop for club secretaries. Internet access will be needed.

Iowa Lions Foundation Trustee - as of May 23, 9MC has contributed \$27,868 to the Iowa Lions Foundation with a goal of \$30,000. The "I Gave" pins have generated \$520 towards the goal. The Iowa Lions Foundation has recently purchased 20 Victor Stream personal recording devices for \$300 each. All of them have been placed.

LCIF Chairperson Betty Ulin - \$19,242.13 has been donated to LCIF by clubs in our district. She has given reports at Zone Meetings and to clubs.

Zone Chairperson Boyd Sparks - Working on Emergency Planning for regions and zones. An important consideration considering the recent tornado damage in Iowa. His clubs are busy and doing very well. There is interest in starting a club in Newton.

Hearing & Speech Action/Work Deaf Chairperson Michele Roland - Concern was expressed regarding hearing damage caused by iPods and ear buds.

District Governor Susan will be taking two posters to Bangkok. One will highlight the Iowa KidSight program and the second will deal with "Pennies for Puppies". She asked for pictures and information on both topics.

Wednesday, June 4, 2008 will be Charter Night for the newly formed Iowa State University Lions Campus Club. RSVPs are needed by May 30, 2008.

Jerry Roland noted that our district is responsible for hosting the hospitality room at the State Convention Saturday afternoon. Volunteers are needed. Also the Urbandale Lions need help parking cars for the Principal Golf Tournament this same weekend. They also need help for the HyVee Triathlon on June 21 & 22.

Guy Harris reported that the 6th Annual Central Iowa Golf Outing will be held June 12, 2008 at one of the Ankeny golf clubs. The proceeds will go to Iowa KidSight through the Iowa Lions Foundation. He has applications.

Steve Halstead said that the comedian, Ron Dentinger, performing Saturday at the State Convention is very good and will make your sides ache. Gary Fry added that the comedian also is doing a workshop Saturday afternoon.

Chuck Miller advertised McCallsburg's 25th Anniversary on Monday, June 9, 2008. They also will hold a mass officer installation for the new officers of clubs present. Chuck reported that at least 20 Lions helped with the "Opening Eyes" at the Special Olympics in Ames this past weekend.

PDG Chuck Boeding has raffle tickets for a quilt that will be raffled for the benefit of Sight First II. The quilt is first prize, second prize is \$1000 and third prize is \$500. The Pin Traders are raising the money and hope to send up to \$30,000 to Bangkok.

A gift for the Iowa State University Lions Club was discussed. The sponsoring Nevada Lions Club is giving a gong and gavel set and the State Office is giving a banner. An International Flag set was suggested. Gary Fry mention that it would be close to \$300. Steve Halstead moved to purchase the flag set and have Cyclone Engraving engrave the new club's name on it. Ron Lille provided the seconded and the motion passed.

Jerry Radke asked about plaques for the District Governor, Secretary, and Treasurer as District 9x7 had done in the past. Apparently Districts 9x5 and 9x8 had not done this. Chuck Miller said he did not want another plaque. Instead, he moved to purchase a Past District Governor pin for District Governor Susan. The motion was seconded by Guy Harris. During the discussion, Gary Fry noted that there were at least four PDG pins ranging in price from \$30 to \$144. The actual prices in the catalog are \$29.95, \$83.95, \$99.95, and \$143.95. Chuck Miller then amended the motion to purchase the \$83.95 pin. The motion to amend was seconded by Jerry Roland. The amendment was approved followed by approval of the amended motion.

Chuck Miller noted that the budget has \$1000 each earmarked for the Iowa Lions Foundation and LCIF. He moved to send \$1000 to the Parkersburg Lions Club instead of giving it to the Iowa Lions Foundation. The motion was seconded by Ron Lillie. A fairly lengthy discussion followed and finally the motioned was defeated by a show of hands.

A discussion of the budget followed. Gary Fry is concerned that our district has spent more

money than it has taken in. Betty Ulin moved that we not donate to LCIF and the Iowa Lions Foundation. Francis Mowery seconded the motion and the motion carried with some dissenting votes.

Steve Halstead asked if it was possible to have an electronic meeting before the end of the year. Gary Fry thought that it was not precluded by the constitution and by-laws and would be a possibility.

PDG Chuck Boeding wondered that if Ankeny has not paid its dues that we might not have a District Governor for next year. Chuck Miller will try to get the money owed our district. It was noted that Ankeny will not have any delegates at the State Convention this weekend unless they are paid up. Betty Ulin offered to attend Ankeny's next meeting. However, that won't be until after the State Convention. Jerry Roland knows the Ankeny president and will call him to see if things can be resolved. Betty will not go to Ankeny's next meeting.

Chuck wants all bills submitted to him by June 15, 2008 so he can close the books. Ron Lillie and Betty Ulin turned their bills in to Chuck at this meeting.

Mary Halstead moved to adjourn, seconded by Francis Mowery, and we adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Yours in Lionism,

Jerry K. Radke
9MC Cabinet Secretary