

District 10 Cabinet Meeting Agenda

Teaching Family Homes- Marquette Michigan

Oct 14th, 2023 10am

Pledge and Prayer was led by PDG Gretchen Preston

Welcome from District Governor Dan

Reminder to keep time speaking limited.

Roll Call: In house and Zoom: Lion Peggy- Members asked to sign in- No zoom set up.

PDG Lion Gretchen, Gov Dan Perkins, VDG Scott Kwarciany, 2VDG Colleen Maki, Treasurer Mike Smock, Gary Perala, Lion Brandon Bray (Skandia), PDG Jim Svinicki and Eunice, Lion Chris Smith, Lion Barbara Lucas, Lion Deborah Bengry, Lion Stephanie Graef, PDG Joe Maki, PDG Bill and Lee Rowe, Lion Jim Whalen

3rd IVP Endorsement - PID Jenny for Lion Dr. Manoj Shah as 3rd IVP:

Lion Gretchen Preston motioned to support, Lion Peggy Lindeman seconded.

Discussion- Lion Scott Kwarciany has an issue with rubber stamping this and the process as we have not received any information on other candidates. (Lack of full information.)

In future request information for other candidates.

Motion passed.

***Lion Peggy to create and submit Letter with Meeting Minutes to Lion Jenny to forward to the appropriate members.**

Approval of July 2023 Cabinet Meeting Minutes:

Motion made by Lion Colleen Maki, seconded by Lion Bill Rowe- motion passes.

Call for Additions to and Approval of the Agenda:

Added

1. Volunteer day at Birch View- October 28th at 9am Birch View- has to be completed this year due to Grant Requirements.

a. ***Lion Peggy to send out announcement.**

2. Added discussion around reimbursement for international travel- Need a committee to do some research from other districts to determine if a higher level of financial support can be made for international travel. (\$500 current support.)

Requesting funding for 2 upcoming international conventions.
Club+District+International Funding.

** Scott, Collen, Mike to research and have a proposal to vote on at next cabinet meeting.

Motion made by Lion Gary Perala, seconded by Lion Chris Smith- motion passed.

Treasurers Report: Lion Mike Smock

New software allows us to compare previous years. Please review the reports.

Noticeable items:

1. Mint sales down 28%- distribution issues?
2. On track to get about \$2400 on invested income
3. This month we've approved St Ignace and Dafter technology grants- *reminder that clubs have to match it
4. Possible garden grant for Munising.
5. Interest in scholarships by Les Cheneaux- Jane passed on information

Motion made to accept reports and place on file by Lion Lee Rowe, seconded by Lion Jim Whalen- motion passed.

Secretary Report: Lion Peggy

Apologized for email issues.

Motion made to accept Secretary's reports made by Lion Colleen Maki, seconded by Lion Jim Whalen-approved.

Human Trafficking Task Force- Lion Stephanie Graef (Chassell Club) - Exploitation for Profit happening locally.

History repeating itself with human trafficking- Grandmother was a holocaust survivor, so she carries on her grandmothers torch to fight the evil of fellow man and carried on. Globally we see the "modern day holocaust." Indifference has allowed human trafficking to rise again. Poverty, addiction, and generational trauma all help promote it. Turning victims to drugs, sex and prostitution. Girls are brought into the UP from down state/Wisconsin during hunting season and forced into prostitution. Laws have been passed to hold traffickers accountable and support victims.

We identify and investigate- but nowhere for victims to go.

**Presentation on Nov 1st at NMU by a victim that was actually trafficked here in the UP- \$50 to attend

-Lion Peggy to share announcement and sign up form.

Lion Gretchen asked us to provide support by attending the presentation and to help support their safe house efforts.

Actually had a Teaching Family Home child that ended up being sex trafficked down state and is now in critical condition in a Detroit area hospital.

Proposal-1. Day of Training in January-Asked members here to go back to their clubs and see if they are willing to sponsor this day of training.

2. Get Lions Leaders on the task force

3. Financial support for the safe house and transportation funds to transport victims to the safe house. (\$750,000-\$1 million needed)

Lion Colleen Maki-Ask cabinet Secretary to get word out. We need information. **Add to February agenda. Share at club visits.*

District Gov. reports: DG Dan Perkins/1VDG Scott Kwarciany/ 2VDG Colleen Maki

Reports submitted

Gov. Dan Perkins- Visiting clubs, variations in fundraisers. Issues with all these events being reported. Working on building memberships.

1VDG Scott Kwarciany- Council of Gov meeting with training, LCI membership dues increase- clubs need to address their dues structure. Continue to promote service and report it. We need to find out what are members are interested in and get them involved- keep the members we have. Foundation grants for emergency assistance with disaster relief.

Colleen- Training at Council of Gov., club visits. Concerned about continuation in Leadership- we do a better job than down state filling our Cabinet positions and training our cabinet members. Actively looking for Zone Chairs to build a path to leadership. Speaker for Gladstone recruiting event.

GST Service Report: PDG Jim Svinicki

Up to 66% clubs reporting- working to get service chairs to report.

GMT Membership Report: PDG Bill/ Lion Lee Rowe

Doing good with retention. Currently +20 members. Get members involved.

Lion Chris Smith- People want a purpose!!

GLT Leadership Report: PDG Tom Lanaville/ PDG Gretchen Preston:

Report is on file. Looking for zone chairs, training is available.

LEOs Chair Report- Judy Davis not present, Judy Racette taking over.

NMU club actively being set up.

Regional Administrator Report: PDG Joe Maki

Available to train pretty much any position, show how to access all the websites.

Zone Chair reports:

Gary Perala- submitted. Chocolay issue.

Chris Smith- submitted. Manistique wants KidSight training.

Jim Sviniki- report filed.

Service Project Reports:

- 1) Bark River Park Project: Lion Jane Lanaville- Raised \$50,000 of \$66,000 waiting to hear back on grants. Bark River will fund the difference. Location issues due to land ownership. Move project to County Park. Issue with grant and fundraising was under the intention of the old location.
- 2) Tour da Yoop review: Lions Gary Perala and Chris Smith- Record number of 55 riders, 14 clubs involved.

All State Band: PID Jenny

Melbourne Australia next year. (Boston this past year.) \$6300/student.

Personal account of attending coming out in newsletter

Bay Cliff: PDG Bill Rowe/ ZC Kris Patterson: Work Day/ SHF Gala review-

Raised funds from SHF, (\$15,000) allowed for purchase of a water wheelchair that allows campers to enter the water. (Bark River looking at purchasing a 2nd chair.)

Childhood Cancer: Zone Chairs Chris Smith and Gary Perala

More families have been found. 89 families total now. Trying to get a ramp for a family in Bark River area. Working on a "Paws for Cause" dog for a cancer patient that developed diabetes from the cancer treatment.

Constitution and Bylaws- PDG Jim Svinicki

See report. Discounted members not included in club delegate counts.

Diabetes: ZC Gary Perala

Working with NMU and UPCAP for in person diabetes education. Need licensed trainers.

Hunger: ZC Gary Perala/ Lion Steve Finley

Just taught 400 kids how to save seeds. Working with Munising and West Iron county and Stephenson.

Let's seed UP sent out mailers to the clubs.

Environment: DG Dan Perkins

See report. Driving Ishpeming club memberships in these areas!!

Eversight- DG Gretchen Preston accepting a \$15,000 grant from SHF. See report.

Northwood Air Lifeline- Lion Lee Rowe

Report from pilots regarding transport families with children with Brain Tumors thanking Lions for our support.

*PDG Gretchen's dinner will be a Fundraiser for NWAL!!! Please consider a donation.

Partridge Creek Farm Update

3.5 acre intergenerational garden by Jasper Lite

Apply for more grants for more infrastructure to support schools and Jasperlite

Supporting more education for the school districts

School to Farm Institute for adults and teachers.

Compost connected to Partridge Creek Farm is becoming an income revenue to support educational base for Partridge Creek.

Vision: Project Kid Sight: 2VDG Colleen

See report. Had some Leo's involved in Some PKS events.

Outstanding events at Marquette County Fair and UP State Fair

*Validates- "Give newbies something to do."

Partnership with Delta/Menominee Head Start- as to be the follow up to screen children that had issues with Health Dept screenings.

Teaching Family Homes

Lion Jim Whalen- Thanks Lion Dan for bringing Lions out. Appreciate support with first annual Golf Ball Drop! Another Ball drop next year.

Expansion coming up with Cedar Creek Residential Program and Central Families Assistance for Western UP. Involved in every UP counties except 2.

Teaming up with GLRC and MERESA counseling services.

Discovery Central Day Care for at least 5 years.

Closing the ropes course due to insurance costs.

Adopt a child coming up for Christmas (18 Children.)

Hearing Preservation and Awareness: 1VDG Scott Kwarciany

If you identify someone that needs assistance let Scott know and we will fill out the forms and send to the Foundation

District Newsletter/ Website/ Social Media: IPDG Gretchen Preston

Newsletter- Lion Lee Rowe assisting on district 10 Lions news. Go to our website and subscribe.

What the Heck is a Tail twister update- Lion Gretchen Preston

In membership packet. Will revise it to be a district 10 piece.

LCIF: PDG Matt Doney/1VDG Scott Kwarciany

48 clubs in UP and only 3 clubs have donated Baraga, Rapid River and Vulcan Norway.

2024 Convention: Convention Chair Gary Perala/PDG Gretchen Preston/ Lions Amy Lerlie and Samantha LaJunesse

Coming along. Updates in newsletter. April 19-21st- theme is Anatomy of a Murder. Walking tours available. Noon Friday with 4 service projects and cabinet meeting. Saturday business meeting, awards luncheon, Leader Dog auction and 3 breakout sessions.

Diane Pitts from South Carolina will be our International Speaker

Jam Band and Left of Center as possible entertainment at Convention.

Mather Inn for rooms, Rock River lanes for events.

*Member+ Application to International- Receive New Member Kit from International

Motional made to adjourn by Lion Mike Smock, seconded by Lion Peggy Lindeman- passed.

Next Cabinet Meeting: Jan 27th, 2024 Rapid River 10am

Adjourned