



District 10 Lions 2024–2025
Scott Kwarciany, District Governor
Colleen Maki, 1VDG
Gary Perala, 2VDG

CABINET MEETING AGENDA – OCTOBER 12, 2024
POWERS–SPALDING LIONS CLUB

1. CALL TO ORDER – DG SCOTT Kwarciany called to order at 10:14
Charter Day for Power Spaulding
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by PID Lion Bob BLOCK
3. INVOCATION – LED BY DG SCOTT Kwarciany
4. INTRODUCTIONS – SPECIAL GUEST–PID ROBERT BLOCK (GAT Area Leader)
Wife Brenda in attendance as well.
5. Attendance– Scott Kwarciany, Colleen Maki, Gary Perala, Gretchen Preston,
Tom Lanaville, Jane Lanaville, Dan Perkins, Mike Smock, Bill and Lee Rowe, Jim
Svinicki, Joe Maki, Jackie Schaff, Larry Johnson, Mark Kleicamp and Chris
LeBoeuf.
Zoom– Peggy Lindeman, Chris Smith
6. REVIEW OF PAST CABINET MEETING MINUTES – LION PEGGY LINDEMAN
Motion to approve by PDG Joe Maki, 2nd PDG Jim Svinicki.
Motion passed.
7. DISTRICT TREASURER REPORT – LION MIKE SMOCK
Any questions or concerns?
Please note Summary of budget to actual on page 3 or 4–
 - a. Mint revenue for year is down which is a surprise due to low activity.
 - b. No requests from clubs for community garden grants.
 - c. Did receive grant for Let’s Seed UP– to help fund seeds for clubs to start
gardens. Will redirect money due to no activity. So, money will go to
Gwinn Food System.

1VVG Colleen Maki– Use mint money to fund scholarships. Any requests yet?

Just one from. Bark River to attend the leadership institute.

Motion to approve by PDG Tom Lanaville, seconded by PDG Dan Perkins.

Motion passed.

8. Governor Scott Kwarciany–

- a. Reports growth for the district started at +17, now at +13. First district in Michigan to use all 50 of the new member packets from LCI.
- b. Working on mission 1.5 growth. Goal is 125 new members. Net goal is –8. Scott’s goal is to be better than the –8.
- c. PDG Bill and Lion Lee Rowe struggle to get packets from LCI.
- d. Service at >64% reporting.
- e. Working on Leadership development.

9. 1VVG Lion Colleen Maki– Sorry, no written reports.

- a. Had many KidSight Events.
 - 7 days with Project KidSight at the UP State Fair.
 - Need more than 1000 bags for next year.
 - PDG Jim Svinicki– needs a district wide service project for convention– we can stuff bags.
 - Have trained 12 new camera operators. Helps cover the many events.
 - Will exceed the number of screenings from last year.
- b. Attended many Council of Governors meetings.
- c. Attended the 1.5 summit in Orlando which was significant as 1VVG to learn goals and action plan training. Lion Trisha and Colleen went down to see Leader Dog– amazing trip. Encourage people to continue to support.
- d. Attended the US/Canadian Forum– best event, beats going to a convention.
 - Went with Lion Stephanie Graef (Human trafficking task force.) Got her an audience with Beck’s and Sheehan’s and others which great support the project and she will be presenting at next year’s forum!

- Human trafficking has received a 40 acre grant up in the Houghton area.
- e. Started 1VDG training as part of an international group (Nigeria, India, and Ukraine).
- f. On Tuesday one club member and PDG Joe Maki will be going to Garden to do an introductory meeting. Found a charter from 1943 in Town Hall attic. Will be going to see if they are interested in starting a club branch there!

10. 2VDG Gary– Thank you for the thoughts and prays for his nephew.

- a. Tour da yoop– \$132,000 raised.
- b. Great new hunger team.
- c. Stride event coming up with MQT Lions club tomorrow from noon to 3.
- d. Lakeview Garden– School staff and Kids have done a great job. Currently making their own apple juice.

11. PID Bob Block– Thank for your hospitality.

- a. Wants to reserve comments till end. Wants to hear everyone’s input to the meeting.
 - Enjoys meeting in person with Lions. So, decided to come up. D10 is doing a great job and would love to share us with the other districts. We are involved, communicating and having fun. We are doing what the Lions would like to see us doing. We need to go to members we don’t see and find out what we can do to keep them more involved.
 - We are great at bringing in new members, we struggle to keep them.
 - Wants to Thank the NWALL Pilots that are flying supplies into North Carolina–Son lives there and they need all the help they can get.
 - Will be taking back a couple of ideas to share with other Lions. Likes the round table meetings. Likes bringing participation up without bringing up the dollar. If you increase participation– the money will follow.
 - Love that we have are working on increasing reporting. If you need help with the portal, let me know. There are webinars coming up to assist with the portal.

12. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Lions Leadership Institute Update– 1 candidate from Bark River is going on Nov. 9–10. Attendance is down. If there is anyone interested in attending let Gov. Scott Kwarciany or PID Jen Ware know and we will see if we can get you in.
- b. Northwood’s Air Lifeline Update– Lion Lee Rowe.
 - Last cabinet meeting supported the headset purchase. Pilots are so happy to have these to use with the children.
 - Expecting an estimate of \$60,000 to paint the plane. Please continue to support and donate to this project.
 - Flying mostly out of KISawyer. Hanger space has been donated.
 - Most pilots are out of Marquette and are willing to come and talk to clubs for presentations.
 - Currently in need of a Lions Member on the NWALL board. It’s part of their charter.
 - Per PDG Lion Jim Svinicki– some of the pilots have been flying in supplies to grass airstrips in North Carolina to provide relief supplies too hard to reach areas affected by the Hurricane.
- c. Ralph Sheehan Committee– There will be a short meeting later today for this group. Per PDG Gretchen Preston– Watch in November for information on how to nominate someone for the award. Will have till February to submit your nominations. Awarded at convention.
- d. District Round–Table Updates– Per PDG Gretchen Preston– program created by Lion Kurt Kipling to help encourage communication. Started with the west end clubs to find out their needs. First meeting in Crystal Falls had PDG Gretchen Preston, PID Jen Ware and PDG Jim Svinicki and many others. Now Lion Craig Krouth has members in his club interested in officer training so we are looking at 1VDG Colleen Maki and Lion Craig Krouth to have a Round table on that end of the UP. Trying to put clubs together that are geographically close and have not been very active.
- e. Bark River Park/LCIF Grant Update– Lion Jane Lanaville. Finalizing the Park Project and LCIF Grant. Those in attendance received a copy of the grant report. Only thing left is the signage and installation of 2 park benches. Report includes funds received and spent, donors, copies of

new releases, picture of the completed park, and testimonials of children at the park.

Still working at little park.

Per Gov. Scott Kwarciany– projects like this encourages clubs to donate to LCI.

Per 1VDG Colleen Maki– she knows this is a long and tedious project. Thank you for all your time and energy and setting an example for others to follow.

PDG Gretchen Preston presents Lion Jane Lanaville with a rubber duck because she is “just ducky.”

Motion made to finalize the project and remove the District Signers upon approval/acceptance from LCIF by 1VDG Colleen Maki. Seconded by PDG Dan Perkins.

Motion passed.

- f. Lion Gretchen assigned as Tail Twister. Shenanigans ensued....

13. NEW BUSINESS

a. **LMASB Fundraiser Raffle– Lions of Michigan All State Band– Potential fundraiser.**

- We have had quite a few students lately from the UP– up to ¼. They represent us.
- Cost of trips for members has gotten very expensive. It’s time that the District finds ways to support members in the Band.
- Treasurer Mike Smock and Gov. Scott Kwarciany have discussed having a raffle put on by the district. Simple raffle of 100 tickets at \$100 each to raise \$10,000. 30 Winners will double their money. Will net \$4000 to members of the band.
- Cost to district is cost of printing tickets (donated by Governor Scott Kwarciany) and raffle permit costs.
- Discussion–
 - PDG Gretchen wants the first ticket.
 - Discussion ensued around the selling of raffle tickets at the golf ball drop in Stephenson.
 - Discussion around ability to sell tickets at \$100.
 - People will buy tickets because they want to support the program.
 - Give less money back and keep more for the students.

- Gov. Scott Kwarciany– Need to get something started. We can change stuff after the first year. Feels we'll still end up with half the money. This will cover at least 1 /6th of next year's trip money.
 - Treasure Mike Smock– structure keeps the district in line and separate from club dues, etc. The monies will come in and right back out.
 - Motion made by PDG Gretchen Preston and seconded by Lion Chris LeBoeuf
 - – To include a small committee to work out the details.
 - Motion passed. (Gretchen volunteered to be on that committee.)
- b. **Michigan Membership Summit**– PDG Gretchen Preston will attend. Is basically the cliff notes version of the Orlando Mission 1.5 Summit. It's next weekend. If interested in attending– it is via zoom. It's a group zoom meeting that will break off into small groups, so doing it all together is going to be difficult. DG Scott Kwarciany and PDG Gretchen Preston will be in attendance.
- c. **Community Change Grant** – LMF– Lions of Michigan Foundation PDG Dan Perkins. Chad McCann and LMSF have accepted the role of physical agents of a potential \$20million grant to be spent in D10 with the potential of rolling out to rest of Michigan. Goal to make more resilient food and waste economy. Create jobs and reduce dependence on other food sources. Due November 21st. Multiple partners working together. Opportunity for Lions to harvest government grants to direct monies locally and to increase community impact. Hope to empower and build our clubs in our district.
- Why LMSF instead of UPLIONS Server? – Because we need a director, experience, etc.
- d. **Lion Chris LeBoeuf– President of Powers Spaulding**– Thanks for coming. Working on installing lights at the football field through Lions and sports booster club. Local business donated supplies, time and talents.

14. GAT TEAM REPORTS – (GST, GMT, GLT, GET)

- a. GMT– PDG Bill and Lion Lee Rowe– leaders are meeting Sunday. What can we do to retain members? Start with new member packets. Recommend sending members Birthday cards. Send Thank you cards. Ask members what they like and don't like. Each club needs a membership chair. Membership chairs need to be able to be contacted.
- b. GLT– no more to add. PDG Gretchen Preston
- c. Global Service – PDG Jim Svinicki working on getting clubs to submit projects. And working on the convention service projects.
- d. LCIF–PDG Jim Svinicki
 - Lots of meetings. Want an LCIF Coordinator in every club by November 30th. Use to be the past club President.
 - Looking for donations for the Hurricane relief. “Tomfoolery” ensued.....
 - Donations, etc. not up to date due to staffing issues.
 - Gov. Scott Kwarciany– encourages personal donations on a monthly basis.
 - e. Global Extension– D10 works as a group to work on new clubs, etc.

15. ZONE/COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Lion Chris Smith– Nothing to add
- b. PDG Tom Lanaville– received grant to install a wheel chair ramp.
- c. 2VDG Gary Perala– Looking for new Diabetes Chair
- d. Lion Lee Rowe– gardens are “growing” in the Gwinn area. Adding greenhouses, saving seeds. Doubling the size of the garden and Kris and Todd's. Getting High school involved. Looking at starting a Leo Club. Over 600 pounds of fresh food taken to St.Vincent food bank. Residents from the Country of Georgia came out to see the garden.
- e. PDG Gretchen Preston made a plug for the Newsletter.

16. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Where are we donating the fines– Forward to strides event tomorrow
- b. Motion made by 1VDG Colleen Maki, supported to PDG Dan Perkins. Motion made and passed.
- c. Lion Chris LeBoeuf requested to donate the monies from the food reimbursement to Project KidSight. Motion by Lion Chris Smith, supported 2VDG Gary Perala. Motion passed.

d. Next meeting at Wells Lions Club in January

- Motion made by 1VDG Colleen Maki, seconded by 2VDG Gary Perala to adjourn– Adjourned

As we gather together as Lions and friends, we pray that our actions may reflect our desire to serve. Clothe our lives with charity. Deepen our lives with loyalty. Hallow our lives with integrity. Help us to live our lives so that we may enhance the future of those whose lives we touch. Guide us in service. Amen.