



DISTRICT 10 LIONS 2025-2026
Colleen Maki, District Governor
Gary Perala, 1VDG
Chris LeBoeuf, 2VDG

CABINET MEETING – JAN 24, 2026 SAUNDERS POINT BREWERY - GLADSTONE

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION DG COLLEEN
2. INTRODUCTIONS

Zoom- PDG Duane and Judy Golz, Jim Lajoie- Great Lakes Recovery Center, PDG Gretchen Preston , 1VDG Gary Perala, Chris Smith, Rose Potvin, Judy Racette,

Janice Frizzel- potential zone or Cabinet Secretary (Bay de Noc President)

Joel Helberg- Gladstone President, band instructor

Jake from Saunders Point

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- a. Request made by PDG Jim Svinicki to give his reports together. Request approved.
- b. Jackie from Spalding not present- 2VDGChris LeBoeuf will present on her behalf.
- c. Motion made by PDG Tom Lanaville, seconded by Joel Helberg to accept the agenda-
 1. Motion passed.

4. INFO/ANNOUCEMENTS – DG COLLEEN MAKI

- a. Peace Poster- 4 packets sent out, only 1 returned. The submission needs to be sent to Wendy Burns.
 1. If we only received one admission- it is our district winner. (No vote needed.)
 2. Poster by Sidney Skewis from Negaunee.
 3. PDG Jim Svinicki's school all did it, but the winner was not the required size so not submitted.
 4. Scott requested we get a photo of the poster before we send it out for use in advertising.
 5. We need to order at least 3 kits before convention
 1. 1VDG Gary Perala can pick them up at the international convention.
 2. PID Jenny Ware- thinks you can download online now???
- b. Chevrons
 1. Colleen needs help distributing chevrons- 130+
 1. Chevrons were handed out to members to take to local clubs.
 - a. PDG's Jim Svinicki and Joe Maki volunteered to take some to the west end.
 - b. Lion Janice Frizzel asked for an explanation as to what a chevron is. DG Colleen explained.
 2. Other club awards that need to be distributed.
- c. District Secretary/Zone Chairs
 1. Still looking for a district secretary and zone chairs.

1. Zone is a liaison between district leadership and clubs
 - a. Usually assigned 3-6 clubs.
 - b. May possibly do some rezoning and or look for a member close to another zone to help cover these.
 - c. Dennis Cole visited Gladstone and most of his other clubs- per PDG Joe Maki.
- 2.
- d. Convention May 1-3, 2026 Island Resort & Casino
 1. International Guest is International Director Melissa Washburn, Carlsbad NM
 1. Has accepted invitation. 1st year ID.
 2. Per PID Jenny Ware- Jenny met Melissa as a Governor/Council Chair
 3. Having a great experience working with the staff at the Island. Almost everything is preset.
 4. Gladstone club might be the hospitality club.
 5. Saturday night banquet will be across the hall from Bark River Prom- So we will have to make sure NO ALCOHOL LEAVES THE HOSPITALITY ROOM. Be responsible!

5. REVIEW OF PAST CABINET MEETING MINUTES – DISTRICT SECRETARY PEGGY LINDEMAN

- a. Motion to accept past Cabinet Meeting Minutes made by Lion Peggy Lindeman, seconded by Chris LeBoeuf.
 1. Motion passed.

6. DISTRICT TREASURER REPORT – DISTRICT TREASURER MIKE SMOCK

- a. Financial Review
 1. Page 2- Revenue and expenditures- Lions of Michigan leadership grant. \$1000
 2. We approved sending \$500 to foundation for the Fetzer matching grant. The \$1000 is the matching grant coming back to us. Used for Leadership expenses.
 3. Also, on income- mint sales were \$549 down from \$646 last year and compared to pre-covid it was \$1700. Mint sales have not bounced back.
 4. Expenses- successfully got a few district lions to leadership training \$1850. 5-6 people went.
 5. Last page (12) - as of 12/31 only dues receivable came from Newberry which has resolved. Will not be collectible. May need to ask for approval to write off this \$45.
 - a. Lion Peggy Lindeman motions to write off the \$45, seconded by PID Jenny Ware.
 - i. Motion passed.
- b. Budget Amendments (if needed)-
 1. No amendments requested.
 2. Motion by PID Jenny Ware, seconded by Lion Janice Frizzel to place report on file-
 1. Motion passed.

- c. PDG Duane Golz- is there anybody for the Hall of Fame? Must be voted on today to be submitted. Would like to nominate Bob St. Peter.

7. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Leadership Institute recap – PID Jenny Ware; DG Colleen Maki
 1. Beginning of November. It was very successful. DG Colleen Maki was a facilitator.
 2. Colleen- Passed faculty development institute and was asked to present at the leadership training.
 - a. Had certificates to award to Jane Lanaville and Judy Racette for attending.
 - b. It was the first year that a few of the old Leadership institute leaders were not present- but by passing the knowledge and mentoring others new leaders ran the training without any issues.
 - c. Please start talking to club members to start getting them enthusiastic to attend this November.
 3. Also had emerging leadership institute for non-leadership lions to introduce them to leadership possibilities. Nov 6-8 at RAM center in Roscommon.
 4. Discussion around how often to hold these trainings.
- b. Powers Spaulding & Carney Nadeau Hunger Grant – Lion Jackie – by 2VDG Chris LeBoeuf.
 1. Working on purchasing an old store in town that will be converted to use for a community kitchen to teach canning, etc. Will be looking for grants.
 2. If people need assistance in whom to reach out to- ask DG Colleen Maki and she will put them in contact with the correct Lions member to help.
- c. Motion to accept old business- motion to accept old business made by Lion Peggy Lindeman, seconded by Chris LeBoeuf.
 1. Motion passed.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. All State Band Raffle – IPDG SCOTT KWARCIANY
 1. Had 1st rehearsal last weekend for this year's band.
 2. Convention in Hong Kong at \$5000/member
 3. 5 students from the UP
 4. Successful raffle last year raising \$7000- \$750/ student.
 5. \$10/ticket with 9 cash prizes to give out \$3000- changed to get the student families more involved in raising the money. Need Lions to take tickets back to the clubs to sell the tickets. I want the students to sell the tickets above \$3000 so that that money goes directly to their fund.
 6. They already have \$700-800 worth of tickets sold. Has tickets with him.
 7. Checks written to D10 Lions!!!
- b. Request for District Endorsement – Great Lakes Recovery – Jim LaJoie
 1. Chief Developing Officer for GLR in Negaunee office. I wanted to share info on GLR.
 1. Background- 8 locations across UP and over past 2 years have served more than 7000 clients for Behavioral health and substance abuse.
 2. 200 employees
 3. Programs- outpatient and inpatient services. Outpatient lets individuals come in and see a physician or group therapies, get referrals as needed. Substance abuse assessments with links to community resources. Mental health resources to create treatment plans for adults and youths.

Also have inpatient residential services- Women and adolescent, mental, etc. for preventative care, treatment, etc. Compass care- mixed team of providers to help substance abuse disorders for people on Medicaid.

4. Programs that cover suicide prevent, alcohol anonymous, Veterans care, foster care recruitment and retention. Offender success program- case management to assist with work force development. Peer recovery- ex-patients to help new patients in recovery.
5. Help fill the gap that the government and insurance does not cover.
6. Would be happy to give anyone interested a tour to see what GLR is all about.
 - a. Lion Scott- a foundation that is doing fundraising? How much of your operating budget is fundraising?
 - i. Jim Lajoie- Been in place for 10-12 years but no one was fully employed to run the fundraising. Board is now a separate board from the operating board. Identify needs that could benefit from fundraising for equipment, programs or services. Ex. Started to provide personal care kits to inpatient residents. Duffle bag with hygiene products, socks, underwear, shampoo, soap, etc. now needs sustainability. Each bag is about \$100. Now looking to develop the court yard in Marquette where the adolescents stay. Want fountain, benches, gardens etc.
 1. PDG Gretchen Preston- proposes for Lions to accept the GLRC as a Lions endorsed program.
 2. DG Colleen Maki- we are working our way in that direction.
 - a. Question- Jim what is your vision of what we can do for you?
 - i. Jim Lajoie- Help provide necessary services. Can provide quarterly reports in what we are doing that would align with the program's lions support. To be part of a UP wide program that reaches all ages and races.
 - b. Colleen- 1VDG Gary Perala- do you have any comments.
 - i. Worked with Jim at the local center and seen the impact. It honors our core values as Lions.
 - c. PID Jenny Ware- Thank you for bringing this forward. I recently retired from Pathways and feel that this falls in with our global initiative of mental health.
 3. IPDG Scott Kwarciany- Our district projects are clearly outlined in our policy. But there is currently no sound policy to support another organization. We are looking at how we not only endorse but also at how we follow through. We will be looking at these endorsements to review our follow-through and continued endorsements.

- a. IPDG Scott Kwarciany makes the 2nd motion to add GLR to our endorsement foundation.
 - 4. DG Colleen Maki- we will have a vote and continue to work through our policies to continue communications.
 - 5. Motion- passed.
- c. Hall of Fame-
 - 1. Through Lions of Michigan Service Foundation, each district can nominate 1 living Lion and one posthumously.
 - 2. Each member of the hall of fame also gets to nominate a person.
 - 3. PDG Duane Golz motioned for PDG Bob St. Peter from Dafter- still very active. 54-year Charter member of Dafter. PDG. District site and hearing chair. Will need to fill out form. Helped get the first KidSight camera.
 - 4. PID Jenny Ware would like to nominate PDG Jack Holzworth- 51 years in Lions. Started down in Clark Lake and moved to UP. Original committee for Leadership program through Lions of Michigan which is not VDG training program.
 - 5. PDG Lion Don Meyers is our posthumous nominee.
 - 6. IPDG Scott Kwarciany proposes- District can select one living and the hall of famers can nominate the other and then Don as post. Thus, we can nominate all 3.
 - 7. PID Duane Golz motions for PDG Bob St.Peter- seconded by PID Jenny Ware. Motion passed.
 - 8. IPDG Scott Kwarciany motions for PDG Don Meyers- seconded by DG Colleen Maki. Motion passed.
 - 9. PID Jenny Ware will personally request PDG Jack Holzworth.

9. GAT TEAM REPORTS

- a. GLT – PDG Gretchen Preston- Report submitted. I would like to request DG Colleen Maki and the upcoming convention planning committee to allow a leadership recruitment and training session. Each member to personally recruit and invite a club lion to attend a session. (Bring potential new leaders to the meeting.) I’m willing to create an abstract and program for it.
 - 1. Also, with leader dog- Dance with the Dogs Marquette and the Marquette Music group on 2/15/26 at Elks Lodge to raise funds for Leader dog.
- b. GST – PDG Jim Svinicki- Report filed. Service has slowed down due to the holidays.
 - 1. Hand out on who can report service under which titles.
 - 2. LCIF- lot of credits are available from our district. Individuals need to fill out paper release forms for monies credits to go to clubs. 49% of clubs are donating- will continue to work on this goal. These credits can be used to award Melvin Jones awards. Will reach out to these clubs. Governor willing

to make room on the convention agenda to award these. If you want to know how much your club has- reach out and he can let you know.

- c. GMT/GET – IPDG Scott Kwarcianny- Report submitted. Lost 2 clubs over 100 yrs old Calumet and Newberry. Calumet filed paperwork, Newberry just stopped responding. Lost 21 members with these clubs. Currently at -16 member for the year. We are actually 5 up with the clubs we have. Currently behind our goal. Working on a new club in Wells. Looking at the possibility of branch clubs (only 6 members required.)

10. ZONE/COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Still in need of Zone Chairs and reports from Zone Chairs-

- 1. Need zone chairs and need minimum reporting from zone chairs.

11. GOVERNOR TEAM COMMENTS – (IPDG, 2ND VDG; 1ST VDG, DG)

- a. IPDG- Scott Kwarcianny-Thank you for coming to my retirement party. I did not expect the Helen Kellar Fellowship. Raised 700 for the all state band.
- b. 2VDG- Chris LeBoeuf- completed online training. Working my way around the portal.
- c. 1vdg- Gary Perala-also finished portal training. Have zoom trainings coming up in February.

Cheryl Anderson will be council chair. Signed up for Hong Kong.

- d. DG- Colleen Maki- PKS report shows that things are meant to happen- as it did when the Munising treasurer Jolene attended a meeting and asked DG Colleen about training for PKS. After ½ day training got certified and then went to the school in Munising and screened 283 kids!!!
 - 1. Lion Chris Smith- loved the “what you accomplished” in 2025 for Cancer Care!
 - 2. Lion Judy Racette- Love seeing Leo reports! Thank you!
 - 3. LMSF- PDG Tom Lanaville and IPDG Scott Kwarcianny- any other topics. Thank you for submitting Hall of Fame nominees.
 - 4. District Administrator- PDG Joe Maki. It’s been quiet. Assume most clubs have caught on regarding reporting.
 - 5.

12. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Motion to adjourn made by Lion Peggy Lindeman, seconded by 2VDG Chris LeBoeuf- motion passed.

Please join us for lunch which is being served by the Dew Drop Restaurant. Owner Amanda and Manager Morgan are members of the Bay de Noc Lions Club