



District 13-B Annual Convention Business and Cabinet Meeting Minutes of Proceedings March 29 & 30, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m., March 29, 2008, by District 13-B Governor Sharon Parker at *Sawmill Creek Resort* in Huron, Ohio, following a Parade of Banners. Vice District Governor Stanley Kopp led the group in the singing of *America*. Deputy District Governor Peter DiCesare led the Cabinet and guests in the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Invocation was presented by Deputy District Governor Peter DiCesare.

PDG Ron Lutz moved to dispense with roll call. PDG Ted Rutherford seconded the motion. **Motion to accept: Carried**

Vice District Governor Stanley Kopp presented protocol.

Governor Sharon Parker appointed PDG Myron Amstutz as Parliamentarian.

Parliamentarian PDG Myron Amstutz addressed Cabinets attention to page VI of the Cabinet Agenda "Rules Governing the Order of Business" adopted on August 18, 2007.

PCC Jeff Hillis reviewed the "Proposed Rules Governing the Election of Officers - District 13-B" printed on the inside cover of the Cabinet Agenda Booklet and moved that they be adopted. PDG Ron Lutz seconded the motion.

Motion to accept: Carried

CS DeGirolamo presented the minutes of the cabinet meeting held January 30, 2008. Lion Bill Harner moved to accept the Minutes as written. Lion Don Scott seconded the motion.

Motion to accept: Carried

Officer's Reports:

DG Parker presented her report as written with comments and a big "Thank You" to all who helped make this year a success so far.

VDG Stanley Kopp, Sr. presented his report as written without comment.

DDG Peter DiCesare presented his report as written with corrections.

CS Dale DeGirolamo had no written report. He announced that as of this hour he had certified 129 delegates and 15 alternates.

CT Mona DiCesare presented the Financial Report as of February 29, 2008, along with the Audit Report.

PDG Ted Rutherford moved to accept the officer's reports, the Financial Report and the Audit Report. The motion was second by PDG Gary Garrett.

Motion to accept: Carried

Zone Chairperson's Reports:

Zone 1 – ZC West's report stood as printed.

Zone 2 – ZC Steve George's report stood as distributed.

Zone 3 – ZC Christman did not present a report.

Zone 4 – ZC Wetzig's report stood as printed

Zone 5 – ZC Arter's report stood as printed.

Zone 6 – ZC Kasper's report is lost in cyberspace.

Zone 7 – ZC Conrad's report stood as written

Zone 8 – ZC Zody's report stood as corrected.

PDG Ron Lutz moved to accept the zone reports, seconded by Lion Joe McDonald.

Motion to accept: Carried

(DG Parker relinquished the Chair to VDG Kopp)

MERL Team Reports:

VDG Kopp, MERL Team Chairperson, reported that the MERL Team had not met since January. Therefore, the report presented at that time remained current.

Membership Co-Chairs Lion Joe McDonald and Lion Dana Zody presented their reports as printed with brief comment.

IPCC Horst Herzog presented the District Extension Report. He reminded Cabinet that PCC Paul Bowen's heart was in extension and the progress this year

shows that. The Erie County Vacationland Lions Club was chartered last night with twenty-six Members.

Leadership Development Committee Chair Lion Miller presented her report as printed, with comments. Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 1st for District 13- B Leadership school.

Lion Don Scott moved to accept the MERL Team reports, seconded by PDG Reynolds. **Motion to accept: Carried**

State Committee Reports:

Constitution and By Laws Chairperson Lion Hoover's report stood as published. Included in his report was a copy of the proposed Constitutional Amendment. This was provided in writing to each Club prior to District Convention.

Finance & Long Range Planning Chairperson PDG Reynolds' report stood as published with comments.

International Convention Chairperson Lion Hensel's report stood as printed without comment since Lion Francis was unable to attend.

International Understanding & Cooperation Chairperson Lion Barnhouse presented his report as written with comment.

Ohio Lions Band Chairperson IPDG LaRue presented his report as printed.

Ohio Lions Building Trustee report was reviewed by IPCC Herzog with the addition that building renovation is intended to be ongoing.

Public Relations & Marketing report was presented as printed by Lion Dan Smith.

Sight and Hearing Chair PDG Sonny Barker presented his report as printed with updates. The data page was not included in the report.

Youth Chairperson Lion Gene Berrier's report stood as printed.

PDG Lutz moved to accept the state committee reports, seconded by PDG Burgderfer. **Motion to accept: Carried**

State, District & International Foundation Reports:

Hearing & Speech Action & Work with the Deaf: Committee Chairperson Lion DeGirolamo's report stood as printed with brief comment.

LCIF: Lion Bill Harner's report was presented as printed with updated data. The following Lions and Lions Clubs were recognized for contributing \$1,000 or more to LCIF:

- Lion Francis Hensel
- Avon Lions
- Hayesville Lions
- Lorain Lions
- Norwalk Lions
- Vermillion Lions

Ohio Lions Eye Research report was presented as printed by PCC/PDG Hillis.

Ohio Lions Foundation report was distributed and presented by PDG Garrett.

District 13-B Philanthropic Fund Treasurer Lion Everett Shonkwiler commented on his written report.

Sight First II Chairperson PDG Terry Spiegel reported that District 13-B has contributed \$104,121.97 so far. He commended the following Clubs: Lorain Lions (\$14,000+), North Ridgeville Lions (\$6,000+), Crestline Lions (\$5,000+) and Port Clinton Lions (\$4,000+).

USA/Canada Forum report was presented by Lion Lottie as printed.

PDG Rutherford moved to accept the state, district and international foundation reports, seconded by Lion Harner. **Motion to accept: Carried**

PDG Association Report:

Advisory Report was presented as printed by IPCC Herzog.

President PCC Hillis presented a verbal report that PDG's would be hosting a hospitality room (Room 2203) at convention. He also encouraged participation in District Golf in Bucyrus on June 8th.

PDG Terry Spiegel moved to accept the PDG Association report, seconded by Lion Fred Fogle. **Motion to accept: Carried**

Remarks:

The 2008 District 13-B Cabinet and Guests gave a warm welcome to our International Guest, Immediate Past International President Jimmy Ross. IPIP Ross shared his goal of creating 100 new Clubs in North America this year. He

also shared a brief summary of activities and initiatives taking place at the international level.

(VDG Kopp relinquished the Chair to DDG Peter DiCesare)

District Committee Reports:

Campus Clubs: No report.

Chaplain: No report.

Diabetes Awareness: Information relevant to Diabetes Awareness is contained in the Eye Research report on pages 47-48 of Cabinet Agenda.

District Directory: Lion Dan's report was presented as printed with comments.

Historian: Lion Don Scott's report was presented as printed with comments.

Information Technology: Lion Dan Smith's report was presented as printed.

Insurance Advisor: No report

Lioness Liaison: Lion Rosalie Burgderfer's report was presented as distributed.

Lion Tamer: Lion Christopher Young's report stood as printed.

Newsletter Editor: Lion Christine Burman's report stood as printed.

Pin Chairperson: Lion Christopher Young reported that we still have a few more pins to sell.

Poinsettia Sale: PDG Carl Watt's report stood as printed.

Quest Coordinator: Lion Gene Berrier's report was presented as printed.

Tail Twister: Lion Elaine had no report at this time.

PDG Burgderfer moved to accept the district committee reports, seconded by PDG Rutherford. **Motion to accept: Carried**

Contest Chairperson Reports:

Governor's Contest and Humanitarian/Service Award: Lion Swartz reviewed his written report with comments.

Newsletter Contest: Lion Zartman's report stood as printed with comments.

Peace Poster/Scrapbook Contest: Lion Jim Pickering's report stands as written.

Lion Fogle moved to accept the contest chairperson reports, seconded by Lion Glen Baker. **Motion to accept: Carried**

(DG Parker resumed the Chair)

Unfinished Business:

"Lions Share of Life" Blood Drive: VDG Stan reported the Blood Drives are now statewide. The 2008 pins are purple. The drive scheduled at this convention has experienced some technological difficulties. 18 of the 29 people signed up to donate were able to give a pint of blood each.

Ohio Lions Day with the Cleveland Indians: District 13-B Day at the Indians is now Ohio Lions Day. Ohio Lions Day is scheduled for Saturday evening, July 26th with Minnesota Twins. We are looking at the possibility of a bus. Tickets for the game only are \$11. Tickets that include the "behind the fence party" are \$30.00. The cut off for purchase of tickets is May 27th.

Re-districting: PCC Hillis is chairing an ad hoc committee appointed by Governor Sharon to address this issue. This committee will meet prior to the State Convention.

New Business:

Treasurer:

PCC Jeff Hillis moved to appoint Lion Forest Conrad for the three-year period of 2008-2009, 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 as Treasurer of Ohio Lions District 13-B and to authorize him to sign checks as such. PDG Myron Amstutz seconded the motion. **Motion to accept: Carried**

AZC Donnelly moved to authorize Lion Forest Conrad to open a account in an Ashland bank for his use as district treasurer. PDG Bill Wolford seconded the motion. **Motion to accept: Carried**

Other Announcements:

1. *Convention Committee:* Co-Chairs Lion Nikki and Esther reminded Cabinet to remember to bring their "Chicken Tickets" to the banquet.
2. *District Bowling:* Lion Dan Smith shared a written report of the District Bowling held on February 10, 2008, at Rebmans Recreation in Lorain. Mark Hofer received a plaque for High Game for bowling 300!

Benediction:

Chaplain Bruce Meadows offered an appropriate benediction.

Recess:

There being no further business at this time, Governor Parker recessed the District 13-B Business Meeting/Cabinet Meeting at 3:08 p.m. The meeting will resume on Sunday, March 30, 2008, at 9:30 a.m.

Resumption of the Business Meeting/Second Session:

The meeting was resumed and called to order by District Governor Sharon Parker at 9:35 a.m. on Sunday March 30, 2008, at *Sawmill Creek Resort* in Huron, Ohio.

Invocation was presented by District Chaplain Bruce Meadows.

Parliamentarian PDG Myron Amstutz reviewed the Election Procedures.

PDG Ted Rutherford, Election Committee Chair, reviewed adopted election procedures.

CS Dale DeGirolamo reported the final delegate count:

- Delegates: 140
- Alternates: 20
- Fines collected for no signatures on Membership Cards: \$25.00

Nomination & Election of Officers term 2008-2009:

Presiding: District 13-B Governor Sharon Parker:

Nominations for District Governor for 2008-2009 were opened:

- Lion Stanley Kopp was nominated for the position of Ohio Lions District 13-B Governor for the 2008-2009 year by Delegate Lion Andy Harpster, President of Ashland Noon Lions Club.
- Seconded by: PDG Stan Homerick and PDG Bill Wolford

Written ballots were collected and counted.

PDG Rutherford announced that Vice Governor Stanley Kopp has been elected as District Governor for 2008-2009. He then moved to destroy the written ballots. PDG Ron Lutz seconded the motion.

Motion to destroy ballots Carried

Nominations for Vice District Governor for 2008-2009 were opened:

- Lion Peter DiCesare was nominated for the position of Ohio Lions District 13-B Vice Governor for the 2008-2009 year by Delegate PDG Jack Lambright of Fostoria Lions Club.
- Seconded by: PDG Doug Reynolds and PDG Stan Homerick

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PDG Rutherford announced that Deputy District Governor Peter DiCesare has been elected as Vice District Governor for 2008-2009. He then moved to destroy the written ballots. PCC/PDG Jeff Hillis seconded the motion.

Motion to destroy ballots: Carried

Nominations for Deputy District Governor for 2008-2009 were opened:

- Lion Dana Zody was nominated for the position of Ohio Lions District 13-B Deputy District Governor for the 2008-2009 year by Delegate Zone Chair Julianne Zody, Secretary of Perrysville Lions Club.
- Seconded by: PDG Ray Miller, Sr. and PDG Ron Lutz

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PDG Rutherford announced that Lion Dana Zody has been elected as Deputy District Governor for 2008-2009. He then moved to destroy the written ballots. PDG Ron Lutz seconded the motion.

Motion to destroy ballots: Carried

PDG Myron Amstutz moved to accept the proposed amendments to the District 13-B Constitution as printed in the Cabinet Agenda. PDG Ron Lutz seconded the motion.

Motion to accept: Carried

Final Business and Remarks:

PDG-elect Sharon Parker thanks everyone for all of their hard work to make this year and this convention such a success. She also thanked IPIP Ross for being so involved in our activities this past week. It was a great honor to be his host. IPIP Ross thanks everyone for their wonderful and warm welcome and hospitality not only for him but also for his wife Lion Velda.

At this point all District 13-B Past-District Governor's lined up in descending order of their terms as Governor. The symbolic gavel was passed.

Benediction:

Benediction was presented by District Chaplain Bruce Meadows.

Adjournment:

District Governor Sharon Parker adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Dale A. DeGirolamo
Cabinet Secretary, District 13-B
2007-2008