

DISTRICT 11-E1 CABINET MEETING MINUTES – Saturday, January 11, 2014
BIG BOY RESTAURANT, 1310 S. Mitchell St., Cadillac, MI 49601

Meeting called to order at 9:30 a.m. by **Governor Tim Anderson**.

Cabinet Officers attending: Governor **Tim Anderson**, 1st Vice Governor **Pete Conarty**, IPDG **Bill Simpson**, Secretary **Janalee McClure**, Region 1 Zone 1 Chairperson **Connie McMorris**, Region 1 Zone 2 **Richard Veine** and Region 2 Zone 2 Chairperson **Bernard Baldwin**.

Others attending: Lions **Steve Adsmond**(Fremont), **Lester McClure**(White Cloud), PDG **Lynn Mast**(Fremont), **Ron Gibson**(Fremont), **Edye McCarty**(Luther), **Jackie Glazier**(Empire), PDG **Harry Johnson**(Baldwin) and PDG **John Monahan**(Mt. Pleasant).

Lion **Ron Gibson** offered the Innovation. Lion **Jackie Glazier** led the Pledge.

Governor Tim thanked all attendees for coming to his third Cabinet Meeting, in spite of the very bad weather, and updated everyone present on District activities:

- Kingsley Charter Night is scheduled for February 18th at the Rock of Kingsley Youth Center. Entertainment is scheduled for 6:30 then dinner at 7:00 p.m. A silent auction and 50/50 fundraiser will help the new club get started.
- New Reed City Club already has 18 members signed up so it won't be long. **Governor Tim** made the \$25.00 donation for a meeting place at Harvest Assembly of God for the organization of the new Club.
 - Lion **Connie McMorris** moved to reimburse **Governor Tim** for the meeting place \$25.00 donation. Lion **Richard Veine** seconded the motion. Motion approved.
 - PDG **Bill Simpson** and PDG **Dick Perrin** will be the Guiding Lions for the new club.
- Ferris University has 1 advisor and 5 members signed up already. With no entrance fee required the new members only pay \$21.50. Lion **Ron Gibson** will be the Guiding Lion.
- So far this 2013-2014 year we've given out 51 safari pins to Lion members that have sponsored a new Lion. 14 alone in November for Northport, Baldwin, Remus, Six Lakes, Kaleva & Harrison, and more. We are only 2 members from our goal for the year.

1st Vice Governor Pete reminded all attendees of outstanding Leadership and training opportunities:

- Michigan Forum is Feb. 15th at the Ramada Inn in Lansing.
- USA/Canada Forum will be in San Juan, Puerto Rico Sept. 11-13, 2014. Only a \$290 fee if you register before May 31st with 70 seminars scheduled. Rooms will run from \$129 to \$189 for the USA/Canada Forum.
- International Convention in Toronto July 2014. You need a passport or a Michigan Enhanced License to cross the border. We've heard that parking will be an additional \$29.00 a day.
- International Convention schedule is Hawaii 2015, Japan 2016 and Chicago 2017 for Lions International 100th Anniversary.

2nd Vice Governor Mike: Absent, but sent written report:

We are well on our way to having a new club in Reed City. It will be called The Crossroads Lions Club. They had their first meeting on December 30th, 2013. They will be meeting at the Crossroads Reality, 780 Chestnut St., Reed City, Mich. Their next meeting will be January 13th at 5:00 P.M. Lions **Bill Simpson** and **Richard Perrin** will be the Guiding Lions for this club.

Since our last meeting I have visited five more Clubs. All of these clubs are doing well. Some of the Clubs will be having Winter Events. If you can, please SUPPORT them in any way.

The Michigan Forum will be February 15th, 2014 at the Ramada Inn Lansing, 7501 West Saginaw Highway, Lansing, Mich. Phone 1-517-627-3211 to make Reservations for your room.

Global Leadership Report - PCC **Dick Perrin:** Absent, but sent written report:

GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORT

- Kingsley Lions Club
 - Club Officers Training – October 24, 2013
 - Chartered – November 21, 2013
- Certified Guiding Lion Training – Reed City – December 5, 2013

- Crossroads (Reed City) Lions Club
 - Club officers have been elected. There are currently 18 individuals who have signed membership applications or indicated interest in joining.
 - Guiding Lions are IPDG Lion **Bill Simpson** and PDG Lion **Dick Perrin**
- Ferris State University Campus Club
 - We have five (5) students and a faculty advisor so far.
 - Waiting to go through the university procedures to become a recognized student organization (RSO)
- Club Excellence Process (CEP)
 - Fremont Lions Club 10/16/2013 – Lion **Steve Adsmund**
 - Big Rapids Lions Club 10/16/2013 – Lion **Dick Perrin**

Global Membership Report – PDG **Jim Walls** reported that he has brought in 5 new members so far this year and he is looking forward to all leaders in our District to be working on membership. He requested the monthly the membership report from Lions International so he is as up-to-date as possible. He was surprised when he visited the Panama Lions Club to find that they didn't do fundraisers – they only wrote checks.

Treasurer's Report - Lion **Pam Schroeder**: Absent, but sent written report:

DISTRICT 11E1 FINANCIAL REPORT January 11, 2014

Balance as of October 12, 2013		\$30,858.69
10/15 Ck. #1016	IPDG Bill Simpson (Penrickton Center)	100.00
10/16 Deposit	(Dues, Diabetes, Pins, Tail Twister)	2,948.75
Deposit	Shirts Newaygo	191.84
10/26 Ck. #1017	D.G. Expenses	1,746.94
Ck. #1018	1 st V.D.G. USA Canada Forum	1,250.00
11/01 Deposit	(Kidsight, Pins, Dues)	162.00
11/07 Ck. #1019	Sprts Ink	216.82
11/12 Ck. #1020	2 nd V.D.G. expenses	112.06
11/13 Deposit	(Dues, Pins, Vest)	176.00
11/15 Ck. #1021	Lions International (22 members Kingsley)	660.00
11/18 Deposit	(close out last years check book)	.08
12/02 Ck. #1022	R. Perrin (GLT Printing)	6.63
12/03 Deposit	(Dues, Vestaburg shirts)	453.51
12/11 Deposit	(Kidsight, Shirt)	175.98
12/17 Ck. #1023	2 nd V.D.G. expenses	141.46
01/06 Deposit	(Dues, Kidsight)	<u>231.25</u>
Checkbook Balance		\$30,964.19

DESIGNATED FUNDS	BALANCE Oct. 12, 2013	CURRENT BALANCE
Sight & Hearing (Kidsight)	\$9,652.85	
Receipts \$255.00		\$9,907.85
Diabetes	\$2,419.67	
Receipts \$100.00		\$2,519.67
Youth Exchange	\$210.00	\$210.00
LCIF	-0-	-0-
District Convention	\$4,310.64	
Receipts \$586.00		\$4,896.64
Miscellaneous	\$615.12	
Expense \$100.00		\$515.12
Tail Twister	\$613.33	
Receipts \$18.00		<u>\$631.33</u>
Balance as of January 11, 2014		\$18,680.61
Balance in Administrative Fund	\$12,283.58	
Balance in Designated Fund	<u>18,680.61</u>	
<u>TOTAL IN BOTH FUNDS</u>	<u>\$30,964.19</u>	

Secretary's Report – PCC **Janalee McClure** presented the October 12, 2013 Cabinet Meeting Minutes and the Minutes of the October 27, 2013 Telephone Conference and announced all dues paid in full except a small balance Bear Lake Lions.

- IPDG **Bill Simpson** moved approval of both the Oct. 12th Cabinet Meeting Minutes and the Minutes of the Oct. 27th Telephone Conference. Lion **Connie McMorris** seconded the motion. Motion approved.
- **Governor Tim** reported Bear Lake Lions will be zeroing out their dues and will be paying the \$100.00 Leo fee to Lions International.

Old Business – Lion **Connie McMorris** reported on Kingsley Lions Club:

- Checking account is all set up
- Goals have been set
- Calendar has been set thru August 2014.
- Completed a Kidsight Project and made hats, gloves & mitten donations plus had a Christmas gathering with Traverse City Lions Club.
- Charter Night will have a 50/50 drawing, Big Rapids Lions Club is donating the flags, Lake Ann Lions Club donating the Banner, Harrison Lions Club the name badges, Baldwin Lions Club the tail twister bank, Cadillac Lions Club the President's gavel and Honor Lions Club made a monetary donation to cover postage and other miscellaneous costs.

REPORTS: ZONE CHAIRPERSONS

Lion **Connie McMorris**, Region 1, Zone 1 Chairperson reported that all her clubs are OK.

- She is visiting Lake Ann Lions Club and Empire Lions Club this month. Traverse City Lions Club is working with Kingsley Lions and Traverse City has changed their meeting place once every other month to the Cottage restaurant in hopes of attracting new members.
- **Governor Tim** gave Lion **Connie** 6 safari pins: 4 for Empire and 2 for another of her clubs.

Lion **Richard Veine**, Region 1, Zone 2 Chairperson reported he has attended meetings with of all his Clubs.

- Mesick Lions Club hosted the last zone meeting and Kaleva Lions Club will be hosting the next zone meeting on Jan. 29th and plans to serve pasties. Arcadia does not have winter meetings.
- Governor **Tim** gave Lion **Richard** chevrons from Lions International to present to some Manistee & Arcadia Lion Members.

Lion **Diane Fleming**, Region 2, Zone 1 Chairperson: Absent

Governor Tim reported she is doing the Zone Meetings OK but is not able to attend District Meetings.

Lion **Bernard Baldwin**, Region 2, Zone 2 Chairperson reported that he has contacted all but one of his clubs since the last Cabinet Meeting. Stanwood is scheduled in a week.

- He has held two zone meetings and the third one will be held in the spring when many of the members will be back from the south.
- Since the last Cabinet meeting, there has been very little fund raising or projects in the zone. His major concern remains membership. The following is the net change since September first on the health report:
 - Barryton, Lakeview and Weidman have had no change. Weidman has a new member but they lost one member who is deceased.
 - Big Rapids and Remus have each lost one member. Stanwood has gained two members.
 - Mecosta and Chippewa have since merged and have had a net gain of one member.
 - The total net gain for the Zone is one member since September first.
- **Governor Tim** gave Lion **Bernie** 3 Michigan Safari pins to pass out in his zone.

Lion **Bill Downey**, Region 2, Zone 2 Chairperson: Absent

Governor Tim reported Cadillac is OK, Baldwin had 2 parties, a Halloween and Christmas Community party, Luther is busy with 2-4 new members and their famous breakfast.

Lion **Richard Langin**, Region 3, Zone 1 Chairperson: Absent

PDG **Lynwood** reported Sheridan is working on the variety show & a couple of new members and Weidman is scheduling a spouse night.

Lion **Bill Koch**, Region 3, Zone 2 Chairperson: Absent, but sent a written report:

- Region 3 Zone 2 is glad to report that all clubs are alive and well.
- Howard City has increased membership. All clubs are active in their communities.
- Fremont, Newaygo, Sand Lake, Howard City and White Cloud have attended the zone meetings.
- Each club is trying to recruit new members. Each club will continue trying.
- Operation Kidsight has been scheduled with the help of Sand lake and Howard City.

Lion **Bill Koch** Zone Chair – Loving Individuals Offering Needed Services – Lions

New Business: Lion **Connie McMorris** reported that the 'Lions World Longest Lunch' will be held on Friday, April 4th during Family and Friends Month. Luncheons should be registered with Lions International and should serve at 12:00 noon. This is an International event that starts in New Zealand and will go completely around the world in 24 hours. Each lunch needs a theme, must have a food drive and can be reported to International for the Contest judging.

STATE PROJECT DISTRICT CHAIRPERSON REPORTS

All State Band – Lion **Tricia Lewis** reported that she has not had any news about the All State Band at all this year. She is pretty frustrated and hopes to hear from our State Office soon with the list of band members so she can start doing the job she has been looking forward to since her appointment by **Governor Tim**.

Bear Lake Camp – PDG **John Monahan** reported that he attended the Region 2 Zone 1 zone meeting on January 8th at the Doherty Hotel in Clare. Harrison, Vestaburg, Coleman, Shepherd and Mt. Pleasant Lions Clubs were there. He gave a short presentation about Bear Lake and invited club representatives to arrange for him to present a Bear Lake program at their club. He also emphasized that it is important for clubs to contribute to Bear Lake and the other district and state projects. He also emailed the other Zone Chairs and asked for 5 minutes at their next zone meeting to discuss Bear Lake Camp.

Leader Dog – Lion **Pam Blizzard** and Lion **Ronald Sharp**: Absent, but sent written report:

The big news from the Leader Dog team is that Ron has returned Hannah to Leader Dog to begin her formal training in October. His 13th Leader Dog puppy, Baker, arrived in early December and will be attending Lions Club meetings with him for the next year. We hope you are finding the articles about Leader Dogs published in the 11E1 District newsletter interesting and informative.

We still have 21 clubs that need a Leader Dog presentation from one of us. We are planning on making arrangements during January and February to visit them during the coming spring and fall months: Arcadia, Bear Lake, Barryton, Big Rapids, Chippewa Lake, Edmore, Hesperia, Howard City, Kaleva, Lakeview, Luther, Manistee, Newaygo, Onekama, Remus, Sand Lake, Shepherd, Six Lakes, Stanton, Stanwood and Vestaburg.

Lions of Michigan Foundation - Lion **Ron Gibson** and IPDG **Bill Simpson** reported:

- The Foundation wants to take care of the military so please don't forget to donate to the Mints for the Military project. A full box is \$90.00 but even a partial box donation will get boxes sent out.
- The Foundation does not expect donations from Clubs for Project Kidsight. Executive Director Chad expects Clubs will donate to the District and the District will send the donations on to the Foundation annually. The Foundation covers all screening costs for Project Kidsight.
- The Foundation raffle tickets have been sent out. Please encourage your Clubs to participate. Last year clubs sold \$92,000 in tickets and we are looking forward to increasing sales this year.
- The new plastic case for mint donations is free with an order of one box of the loose mints. Order for pick up at the Michigan Forum.
- We are inviting all Clubs to give us a call so we can visit your Club for a program on the Foundation.
- Registration forms and Pledge sheets were passed out for the Wurtsmith Air Force Base Walk-A-Thon for Saturday, June 28, 2015.
 - The funds raised by participants will be split 50/50 with the participant's choice of charities and the Lions of Michigan Foundation. If participant does not pick another charity the Foundation gets 100%
 - Participants can do a 5K, a 10K, ½ Marathon or 5K Race Walk
 - Adult Registration fee \$35.00
 - Includes T-shirt.

Tail twister Lion **Ron Gibson** asked all present the meaning of these numbers 38, 4, 25, 2, 69, 224 and 353. If you knew what the numbers stood for you didn't have to feed the Lion. Answers:

- **Governor Tim** is our 38th Governor
- Both *Big Rapids* and *Onekama* have sponsored 4 Governors
- The November Lion Magazine announced *PDG Jerry Brandt* has sponsored 25 Lion members
- District 11E1 has had 2 female Governors
- There are 69 days before District 11E1 Convention
- 224 days until Governor Tim's Appreciation Dinner
- 353 shopping days until Christmas.

Everyone present had to feed the Lion!

Michigan Eye Bank – PDG **Lynn Mast** reported:

- The Eye Bank has a new Benefactor Pin. Both 2013 and 2014 are available for a \$20.00 donation.
- The new Fellowship Award is available for \$500.00 donation. Greenville Lions Club honored Lion **Larry Alman** with the new Award.
- The new film is available for programs. Donor stations are still active.
- Donations are down a bit but the 2 new Clubs donated already this year.

Governor Tim gave PDG **Lynnwood** a \$100.00 donation for Michigan Eye Bank from the Coleman Lions Club.

MULTIPLE DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

International Convention – PDG **Harry Johnson** reported the next International Convention meeting will be Feb. 5th.

Michigan Forum – PCC **Dick Perrin**: Absent, but sent written report:

This year's Michigan Lions Forum will take place on Saturday, Feb. 15th at the Ramada Inn-Lansing. The program features seminars on a wide variety of Lions-related topics. Come and enjoy professional speakers, entertainment, good food and statewide fellowship with other Lions and Lioness Club members. Each club president and secretary should have received registration materials via mail.

MD11 Convention – PDG **Laura Johnson**: Absent but attending the first MD11 Convention Meeting in Lansing today.

DISTRICT CHAIRPERSON REPORTS

Camp Tuhsmeheeta – Lion **Larry Alman**: Absent, but sent written report:

Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind (OUB) ran into difficulties with the people over-seeing Camp Tuhsmeheeta last year

- For the past 3 years the State has been taking reservations for other groups in the summer months, which has made it very difficult for us to continue our Summer Program as it always has been. Last year they told OUB that we had priority in getting our reservations in before November and they would not take any reservations until after November 1. We had a Board meeting of OUB in September and we put in our reservation after that meeting. We found out the State had been taking reservations as of June 1. They told us one thing and others something different.
- We decided we needed to find a different location to run our camping program since the State would only let us run camping programs for Blind or Visually Impaired children.
- We searched several locations for a camp facility to provide an outstanding program to what we are accustomed to and we decided on Indian Trails Camp on Michigan Drive, west of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Indian Trails Camp is a camp for the Handicapped and we have a partnership with them and now it is for Handicapped and Blind or Visually Impaired Children and Adults.
- We have our first camp session weekend January 17-19, 2014 called *Snow Much Fun*. There will be some outdoor activities, snow shoeing, cross country skiing and the like.
- We need all Clubs in our District 11E1 to realize we did not want to leave Camp T., it was the State that wouldn't work with us. We are going to try and get our reservation in earlier this year to get back to Camp T. in the year 2015 if possible.

We do need support from District 11E1 and hope that all Clubs will make their checks out to Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind, or just OUB, and not Camp Tuhsmeheeta.

Constitution, By-Laws – PDG **Lynn Mast** presented a Policy Manual addition:

Section C. #14 District Projects

- a) Camp Tuhsmeheeta *or other camps* with the programs, under the direction of Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind, Inc., that supports all ages of individuals that are blind or have limited sight, in a variety of life skills and experiences annually.
- b) Project Kidsight, Michigan Lions Vision Screening Project, Inc. serving the entire state by recording statistics from the screenings and providing ‘follow through’ for the children that screened an eyesight irregularity, *now under the direction of Lions of Michigan Foundation.*

Then renumber the old #14 to #15 and the old #15 to #16.

PCC **Janalee McClure** moved to approve the new #14 in Section C. of the District 11E1 Policy Manual and renumber the old #14 to #15 and the old #15 to #16. IPDG **Bill Simpson** seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

Convention – PDG **Jerry Brandt**: Absent, but sent written report:

- I hope the January 2014 Governor’s Newsletter will be on the web. Our convention forms should be available in D. G. newsletter.
- I am in the process of scheduling a convention committee meeting with District C1 Lion Robert Babcock. We will again review breakout sessions, speakers for each event, overall times events will happen, layout of convention booklet and D.G.’s items for registration handouts. Other items of concern to D.G.’s and committee members will be on the table for review.
- I would like a transfer of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to be transferred to the District 11E1 convention committee. I will open a convention account at Chemical Bank in Harrison. I will have three (3) committee members on the signature account.
- Zone Chairpersons, please remind all your Lions Clubs to submit deceased members and information to Lion **Debbie Kreitner**.

Governor Tim reported boat kits are available for \$5.00; see Harbor Master PDG **Harry Johnson**. The boat race will be after the Districts vote on Saturday. Next convention meeting is scheduled for Sat., Jan. 18th at the Bob Evans Restaurant at 10:00 a.m. in Big Rapids. The convention theme will be Sports. Past International President Sid Scruggs will be our International Rep. It was noted that the District Convention for 2015 is still March 27, 28, & 29. Hotel rooms will only be \$69.00 and there will be no rental costs in March for any rooms the convention uses for its activities at quite a nice cost saving for us. Word has it that C-1 is again planning on being with us in 2015, even though our approved Cabinet October minutes moved we go it alone in 2015.

Credentials – Lion **Gayle Morlock**: Absent, but sent written report:

- Delegate forms are on the website and must be returned to Lion **Gayle Morlock** by February 28, 2014
- Remember membership number as of February 1, 2013
- All delegates must be registered by noon on Saturday, March 22nd or they will not be allowed to vote at the business meeting.

Diabetes/Sight Conservation Awareness – Lion **Jackie Glazier** reported as Lions celebrate 100 years together being a great organization she wanted to start the year off by providing some upbeat thoughts to fellow lions:

- The number of people living with diabetes is estimated at 371 million and is expected to grow to 552 million by 2030 (International Diabetes Federation)
- Positive Attitude – try to have one – talk to someone. Control Diabetes without letting IT control you!
- *Primary Dr.*- Have one; *Foot Dr.* – Have one; *Eye Dr.*- Have one and get a dilated eye exam yearly.
- Exercise - yes you can do it! Diet - checking foods.
- E.R. – Have someone with you who can ASK if your IV antibiotics are Saline or Glucose! Most are made per sickness and not necessarily with diabetes.
- Shopping/eating out? – Don’t forget your meds. Traveling? – Don’t forget your meds.
- Ask your Dr. for pamphlets – Ask your Pharmacist – talk to a friend or family member – be aware of internet sites – know which ones to use: Am Diabetes Association – www.diabetes.org is a good example of a great one.
- Ask your Dr. if your hospital offers diabetes education. Get a referral slip filled out from your health care provider. Always, follow all instructions provided by all your Drs.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

District Pin – PDG **Jim Walls** requested that if you have any unsold District or State pins that you can't sell please turn them in to him for redistribution as soon as possible.

Editor, Newsletter, Communicator – Lion **Debbie Kreitner**: Absent

Governor Tim reported only 9 clubs haven't sent articles for the Governor's Newsletter.

Elections & Nominations – PCC **Dick Perrin** – Absent, but sent written report:

The following Lions have submitted their names for election to district offices at the district convention:

- District Governor-Elect: 1st VDG **Pete Conarty**
- 1st VDG – Elect: 2nd VDG Lion **Mike Howard**
- 2nd VDG – Elect:
- Lions of Michigan Foundation Trustee: Lion **Ron Gibson**

Reminder: Any Lion who wishes to run for a district officer (Governor, 1st VDG, 2nd VDG or Lions of Michigan Foundation Trustee) is reminded to send in his or her intent letter by Monday, January 20, 2014. The letter should come from the club's secretary, signed by the club president indicating the club's support and sent to the Nominations Committee Chair and the District Cabinet Secretary. If you have any questions, please contact the Nominations Chair – PDG Lion **Dick Perrin** at (231)796-5675 or email at perrin@hotmail.com.

Float Trailer – PDG **Laura Johnson**: Absent, but sent written report:

The following is a summary of the float usage through December 31, 2013.

- We had 13 clubs utilize the float as a way to promote their club in their communities. There were five first time usages. There are three reservations for 2014 to date.
- I will be sending out the float packet to all clubs in March. This will include information on the new \$20 fee for the rental. The fee should be paid and included with the signed rental agreement mailed back to myself.
- I will be making arrangements with King Lion **Frank Janusz** from the Newaygo Lions to replace the tarp that covers the float in storage and when transported. He estimates the cost to be between \$200 & \$250. This will be reinforced at all corners and at the raised points covering the platforms. Lion **Frank** is donating his time and only charging for materials.

In closing, I believe the float has been a useful PR tool for our clubs and would like to thank the Luther Lions for their continued help with the storage and rental arrangements.

Hearing – Lion **Gayle Morlock**: Absent, but sent a written report:

- Have had no requests for assistance in obtaining hearing aids.
- Applicant must have local Lions club sponsor before request for application is sent to Lions of Michigan Foundation.
- Must have proof of income with all applications.
- Must have information from the audiologist, the report (audiogram), and type of hearing aid requested.
- Club must fill out club information and amount it will pay.
- Application must be signed by district chair, Lion **Gayle Morlock**.

Honorary – IPDG **Bill Simpson** said there wasn't anything to report at this time.

International Relations – Lion **Bill Shier**: Absent

Information Technology/Webmaster – Lion **Karla Roebuck**: Absent

Leo – Lion **Laurene Homsher**: Absent, resigned all district positions for two years due to the health of her husband and her new job responsibilities.

Liaison – PDG **Lynn Mast** reported there is no additional information available at this time.

Lioness Liaison – Lion **Kay Brandt**: Absent

Lions Alert – Lion **Harry Engles**: Absent

Lions Clubs International Foundation – PDG **Jerry Brandt**: Absent

Lions Opportunities for Youth – Lion **Laurene Homsher**: Absent (see Leo).

Lions Quest – PDG **Harry Johnson** reported there would be a Quest seminar at the Michigan Forum on Feb. 15th.

Lion Services for Children Chairperson – Lion **Terry Strong**: Absent.

PCC **Janalee McClure** reported he was still having reading sessions with the local daycare center and he is making arrangements with the White Cloud School to read to the children and pass out books in March for reading month.

Past District Governors Association – PDG **Duane Witter**: Absent.

Governor Tim reported PDG **Wayne Kreitner** has been appointed Camp T organizer by PDG Association.

Peace Poster – Lion **Steve Adsmond** reported the 2014-2015 theme is *Peace, Love & Understanding*.

- Artist age must be 11-12 or 13.
- Picture due by Nov. 15th for District judging. Dec. 1st deadline for Council of Governors judging.
- Kits are available for \$11.95 until October 1st from Lions International

There is also an essay contest for the 11-12-13 year old students.

Lion **Steve** reported he requested the Peace Poster Display from Lions International for the March 21-23 District Convention in Holland at the Doubletree.

Governor Tim announced that the District winner has been framed, without cost to the District, by Briggs Framing in Cadillac. It has been put in a 3D frame, behind glass, in Lion colors and with the UN symbol which would have been a normal \$300 cost!

Project Kidsight Coordinator – Lion **Bob Thompson**: Absent.

Governor Tim reported we have had about 25 Kidsight screenings this year but our Coordinator has not turned in the reports to the Foundation yet. We have had screenings in Midland, Cadillac, Kingsley, Onkama, White Cloud, Lakeview, and more. Lions **Sheila Ferrell** and **Jackie Glazer** have been certified to be screeners this year too.

Public Relations/Publications Advisory – Lion **Karla Roebuck**: Absent

Strategic Planning – PDG **John Monahan** reported there wasn't really anything to do yet. He would like to have the Governor set some goals for District so we would know what to work for and then we could plan on how we could get there.

SVOSH – Lions **Tony Rutledge**: Absent.

The monthly work on glasses in Big Rapids at Ferris has had a very slow start so far.

White Cane – PDG **Larry Morlock**: Absent, but sent written report:

- There hasn't been a State Meeting since November.
- White cane supplies can be picked up at the Forum on February 15th in Lansing to save shipping costs.
- The White Cane Scholarship winners will be present at the Michigan Forum.

Youth Exchange – Lion **Edye McCarty** reported:

- She has two girls going to Japan this summer, their applications are in to the state chairman for youth exchange.
- We also have students coming to Michigan and are looking for host families. The flyer she handed out showed:
 - France – Oliver Delemazure, 16 years old, likes theater, movies, internet, tennis & swimming. Will be here from June 28th to August 9, 2014
 - Germany – Kyra Stettner, 16 years old, likes handball, bicycle riding, waveboard & skiing. Will be here from June 28 to August 9, 2014.

Lion **Edye** will be sending information to all the clubs in the District.

Tail twister – Lion **Ron Gibson** still has tickets to sell for the date **Governor Tim's** goal for membership is reached.

PCC **Dick Perrin** GLE Leadership District Coordinator reported the USA/Canada Lions Club Leadership Forum will be held on September 11-13, 2014 in San Juan Puerto Rico. In addition to great learning opportunities, there will be cruises offered both before and after the forum.

Miscellaneous Remarks in Closing:

PDG **Lynnwood** would like the Policy Manual to require:

- The minutes to be done within 10 days of the Cabinet Meetings
- Would like scheduling Cabinet meetings within 10 days following Council Meetings and
- Zone meetings to be held within 10 days of the Cabinet Meetings.

1st Vice Governor Pete reported the Council of Governors will only have three Council meeting next year instead of the normal four Council meetings in the past.

GOVERNOR'S CLOSING REMARKS

Governor Tim reported:

- International Director **Esther LaMothe** is using our District 11E1 as an example of great leadership resulting in outstanding successes in Lionism.
- Our District has taken in more members in the first half of this Lions year than we did in the whole last two years altogether.
- A special note to the Secretaries of Clubs –The Retention report will show 2 methods of dropping members:
 - One is a simple 'Drop' when you lose a Lion Member.
 - The second one is a 'Drop Transfer', which will not show as a negative on the retention report and should be used when you actually transfer a member to another Lions Club.
- The Governor's Team got a star last quarter but it was not a gold star because the 'Drop Transfer' designation was not used in our District.

NOTE: New members are the *lifeblood* of a Lions club,
Existing members are the *heart and soul* of a Lions club.

Lion **Connie McMorris** moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:40 p.m. Motion seconded by PCC **Janalee**. Motion Approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

PCC Janalee McClure, District 11E1 Secretary 2013-2014