**DISTRICT 26-M5**

**CABINET MEETING MINUTES**

Virtual Zoom Meeting

June 7, 2020

The 4th Cabinet Meeting of 2019-2020 met online June 7, 2020.

DG Jessi Troester called the virtual meeting to order at 10 a.m.

Cabinet Secretary Donna Jungerman did the Roll Call of Clubs. There were 12 clubs represented with 14 District M-5 Lions in attendance via Zoom.

The minutes from the February 8 Cabinet Meeting/Mid Winter Rally were presented. Hearing no additions or corrections, Lion Scott White made a motion and PDG Alcy Malkmus Espinoza seconded to accept the report. Motion carried. The financial report was presented by Treasurer PDG Jene Crook. She stated that DG, DGE and 1VDGE needed to submit their expenses.

With no additions or corrections, DGE Joe Storms made a motion and Lion Karen Calvert seconded to approve the report. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

ALERT Team: PDG Bruce Dugan reported a that $500 was paid out for insurance on the trailer, $45 for Sam’s Club membership renewal, $29.99 for a small tool kit to keep on the trailer, $11.21 for checks for ALERT account. Independence Eastview Lions Club donated $250 to ALERT. The end balance is $3245.29.

ATHLETIC: the Basketball game and Football games have been cancelled due to COVID virus.

CONVENTIONS: The 2020 State Convention as well as The International Convention were cancelled.

The 2020 District Convention is scheduled to be held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Independence, MO on November 6-8. The 2021 State Convention is scheduled at the same place April 29-May 2.

DIABETES AWARENESS & ACTION: Lion Ron Ballard reports no requests for testing or programs.

Diabetics are especially susceptible to complications from COVID-19.

ENVIRONMENT: PDG Alcy Malkmus Espinoza reported for PDG Susan that their work is continuing.

KCWOLC is collecting soft plastics to turn in for park benches as are some other clubs. Also please keep saving pull tabs.

GLT-D: Lion Aaron Troester – no report

GMT-D: DG Jessi reported our numbers are down.

GST-D: Lion Karen Calvert reported on the Mercy Road Race (Hot Wheels). Currently, 2238 cars have been donated. The original goal was 500. 90 Happy kits were made and delivered to Mercy after the first 2 cabinet meetings. Estimated value $2350. In the fall, we donated $350 in school supplies to CC VI. We received recognition of “Mercy Road” as a success story and $500 from LCI to be used for service. When that is done, our district will have made service monetary donations of $3200-$3500. . We centered the projects around pediatric cancer and helping blind/visually impaired children. Lion Karen thanked all the clubs and individuals who contributed to make these projects a huge success

HEARING PRESERVATION, AWARENESS & ACTION: The drawing was done and Pleasant Hill won $25.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: No report. Lion Aaron continues to maintain the website.

LCIF COORDINATOR: PDG Greg was traveling to a meeting during this meeting. They have added 2 new model clubs – Marshall Lions Club and Independence Host. 254 Grants from LCIF amounting to 4 million dollars have been awarded to help out with COVID. PDG Greg would like to visit the clubs for programs on LCIF.

LEO CLUB COORDINATOR: Lion Scott White reported that the Barstow Leos Club remains active and has plans to be active next school year. COVID-19 cut short their plans and they have not had meetings and cancelled fundraisers. No other Leo clubs at this time.

MO LIONS STATE BAND: Chairperson Lion Scott White. Looking toward having a MO band in Montreal next year.

At this time, DGE Joe made a motion and PDG Alcy seconded to accept the reports as presented. Motion carried.

**LIASON REPRESENTATIVES:**

Alphapointe: DG Jessi reported plans to have a virtual Summer Tech Camp and an In-person Adventure Camp.

Audio Reader: Lion Karen reports that Audio Reader office is closed, but are still broadcasting. Volunteers are working from their homes. There is a sensory garden in Lawrence, KS.

CCVI: Lion Donna reported for Lion Cathy Rayfield that CCVI is continuing to provide therapies and classroom activities. When the school closed in-person services, the CCVI therapists quickly worked with families and districts to develop new, Temporary Individualized Learning Plans. The teachers continue to check in with students and provide support. CCVI will remain closed through the summer term. However, we still anticipate 220 hours of virtual therapies will be given. Finances are are down 55% since closure and we are budgeting a net operating loss of approximately $700,000 for this fiscal year. On a happy note, the first ever Virtual Trolley run netted $2433.50 profit!

Kids Sight: Lion Katherine Patterson-Paronto reported that testing stopped mid-March and does not expect to start up again until Fall. Contributions are down.

LBOMB: PDG Kenny Goetz. Many employees are working from home. Some vendors are working, but not many. PDG Gary Curtis is the Representative instead of PDG Kenny.

Leader Dog: Lion Aaron Troester, Chairperson reported that services are on hold. Returning dogs has been extended.

Mid South Sight and Hearing: No report

PDG Association: No report

Saving Sight: No report

World Services for the Blind: No report

DGE Joe moved and PDG Jene seconded to accept reports as given. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**: None

**NEW BUSINESS**:

A lot has been cancelled due to COVID-19. The International Convention, State Convention, and in-person GPLLI have all been cancelled. GPLLI will have virtual instruction. If the US Canada Leadership Forum is cancelled, lions will be reimbursed.

PDG Bruce Dugan reported that the ALERT trailer is available for use and viewing.

Lion Katherine Patterson Paronto submitted a proposal for a LCIF grant. The $5000 would be used to purchase Personal Protective Equipment that the clubs donate to organizations in their communities as needed. Strict reporting and documentation is required to keep track of the monies spent and would be reported to LCI. At this time a motion was made and seconded to approved the proposal. It passed unanimously.

At this time, Lion Karen Calvert suggested that we donate the $500 Success Story Grant that was received for the “Mercy Road” project to CMH to purchase masks. PDG Alcy made motion and PDG Jene seconded. Carried.

**Awards:** DG Jessi announced that awards were given at the District Convention in November to: PDG Bruce Dugan - The first annual *Bruce Dugan Community Impact Award*

PDG Pat Scott – *Presidential Leadership Award*

Lion Karen Calvert – *International Leadership Award*

Lion Aaron Troester – *Melvin Jones Fellowship Award*

1VDG Randy Winkler - *Star Fish Award for the quarter*

*Thank you Awards to :*

PDG Jene Crook

Lion Donna Jungerman

DGE Joe Storms

PDG Greg Gilliam

PDG Alcy Malkmus Espinoza

This being DG Jessi’s fourth and final District Cabinet meeting, she “handed over the gavel” to DGE Joe Storms. As of July 1, he will assume District Governor title.

A motion was made by DGE Joe and seconded by PDG Alcy to adjourn the meeting. Adjourned.