

NEW MEXICO LIONS DISTRICT 40N
CABINET MEETING
August 7, 2011
Santa Fe, NM

DG Shelly Smith called meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. There were 29 lions in attendance representing 13 clubs. MC Chair Kitty Callender was also present at the meeting. The pledge was lead by Dg Shelly Smith and the group and the Lions prayer was offer by 1st VDG Johnty Cresto. Lion Lenny Bean was excused from the meeting for a family event.

Exchange students from the youth exchange were introduced, a young lady from Germany and a young man from Israel. The both spoke about their time in NM and the sight they had seen. They both had a wonderful time.

Budget

DG Smith went over her budget that was discussed on July 18th conference call with her cabinet members. There was some discussion about dues money is to be used for administrative expenses of the district. Concern was expressed about sending cabinet members to USA-Canada Forum. Those attending are DG Shelly Smith, 1st VDG Johnty Cresto, 2nd VDG Don Trumbull and GLT Chair Ed DeArmond, Jr. Several others thought sending these current leaders was a great idea so they can train people when they return. One person suggested we raise different money to send people from the district to these types of trainings. The Colorado Leadership Training was talked about and we are hoping to send several lions this year, if you have suggestions please contact DG Smith with names and recommendations. DG Smith reminded us that the VDG travel was included in the Constitution and By-Laws change voted on at State Convention this past June. DG Smith also included a line item in her budget for the youth exchange training – a leadership training for Leo's from our district. Ray Marley is developing a proposal for NM to conduct Lion Leader Training – more details next meeting. (Copy of Budget will be attached at the end of document) Members of the cabinet can fill for reimbursement of mileage for the meetings all forms should be sent to Treasure Lenny Bean.

Governor's Challenge

DG Smith went over the governor's challenge in detail and all information has been sent out to club presidents.

We took a break to meet in our Zone's before doing Zone reports.

ZONE REPORTS

Zone 1- Richard Sanders of Taos Lions. He reported that the Taos Lions were voted the #1 civic club in the community. He said we need to toot our own horn get articles out in the newspapers when we do stuff and get ads on the radio about meeting dates and kid sight.

Zone 2- Rose Himrod reported that her Zone wants to increase membership in all club, increase the number of service projects, have speakers at the meetings more often and are considering done the white cane project. Clubs in the zone are working together and will continue to work together.

Zone 3- Stanley VanKeuren, Jr. reported that his zone is interested in doing the peace poster contest, tree planting and need more information on the white cane project.

Zone 4- No Report

Zone 5- No Report

Zone 6- Debbie Bryan reported they are ready for the governor's challenge, Leo's club are being worked on, suggested that clubs "don't forget to thank your membership", increase membership and suggest that you run ads in local papers for your meetings.

Zone 7- Rita Graham reported she's been busy visiting other clubs and working with them. Albuq Uptown needs help recruiting members.

Zone 8- No Report

Committee Reports

Youth Exchange – Program is active and growing and we are working together with the south district. Hoping the program will grow more – need more participation from clubs. Youth are here for 2 weeks then they go to Colorado for their leader training then they come back for 2 or 3 days before going home. It has been a wonderful experience for the host families.

Leo's – it's a high school based young lions program. Santa Fe has about 50 members at Desert Academy. Gallup is in the process of having officer elections and has about 15 to 20 interested youth. Edgewood Leo's are doing a Melodrama dates are forthcoming.

GMT – Bobby Richardson GMT report: DG & GMT considering bringing consultant to start new club(s). Looking for anyone who can commit to three-day session, which will include Guiding Lion training, recruitment training, and a day of hands-on recruiting. Please contact Shelly or Bobby if interested.

GLT – Lion Ed DeArmond challenges all zones to find up and coming leaders in their clubs and lets begin to work with them.

Other Information

Guiding Lions Training can be done online or if they want to go to an in person training then it's a 3-day commitment.

1st VDG Cresto will be sending letters to all the club presidents and secretaries to get input on why attendance at district meetings is so low and wants suggestions on how to fix it. He also wants to know the training needs at the club and district level.

Concerns were express about the Roar only being available online – what to do for members that don't have email access and some that are unable to attend meetings do to health or transportation issues. Some members would like to get it in the mail.

Adjourned 5:05 pm

40N 2011-12 Budget

	# members	650	
	# clubs	30	
Beginning Balance			\$ 7,000.00
Income			
Dues - from clubs (\$19.50/member)	\$ 12,675.00		
Fundraiser (tail twisting/events)	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 13,675.00
Expenses			
Dues - MD (\$9.50/member)		\$ 6,175.00	
Supplies		\$ 500.00	
Colorado Leadership Institute (4@125)		\$ 500.00	
USA/Canada - 4 @ 1000		\$ 4,000.00	
Travel to cabinet meetings		\$ 400.00	
Spring Officer Training		\$ 150.00	
Peace Poster Award - 100 1st, 75 2nd, 50 3rd		\$ 225.00	
Photo contest Award		\$ 100.00	
VDG Travel		\$ 650.00	
Lions Symposium (3)		\$ 100.00	
DGE Training - Travel (2)		\$ 400.00	
Senior Leadership Training - Travel (2)		\$ 500.00	
Leo / Youth Chairs		\$ 150.00	
Peace Poster Chair budget		\$ 150.00	
Diabetes Awareness Chair		\$ 150.00	
Leader Dog Chair		\$ 150.00	
Foreign Exchange		\$ 250.00	
Faculty Training		\$ 250.00	\$ 14,800.00
Ending Balance			\$ 5,875.00

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