

NEW MEXICO LIONS MD-40
Minutes
COUNCIL MEETING 13 November 2010

The meeting was called to order by MDCC Tom Himrod at 1:05 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by DG 40N Bill Guss. DG 40S Phil Marvel led the reciting of the Lions Prayer.

Due to an important engagement in Albuquerque, 1st VDG Shelly Smith provided her report first on the MD40 distribution email tracking statistics. She specifically looked at the emails sent out during October and November. On the average, approximately 35% of the emails are being opened with 6% being returned due to incorrect email addresses. There are currently 288 Lions on the MD40 distribution which is less than 20% of all Lions in NM. She stressed the importance of getting as many NM Lions on the MD40 distribution as possible.

Lions Melissa Washburn and Gemma Ferguson provided a report on the upcoming Women's Symposium that will occur 9 April 2011 in Ruidoso. They are checking on the rates at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

MDCC Tom Himrod asked if there were any changes to minutes of the last Council meeting. Since there were not, on a motion made by DG Bill Guss, which was seconded by DG Phil Marvel, the minutes from the 28 August 2010 Council meeting were approved.

Lion Bryson McCool (standing in for Sec/Treas. Rick Jensen) provided a Treasurer's report which he provided copies to the Council members. He also went over the proposed budget for 2010-11 which also included expenses and income for 2009-10. DG 40S Phil Marvel made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and the 2010-11 MD40 budget. DG 40N Bill Guss seconded the motion which carried. A copy of the approved budget is attached.

MDCC Tom Himrod presented an International President's Award to PDG Kitty Callender for her assistance last year to him when he was Council Secretary/ Treasurer last year.

Transitional MERL Team Status. PID Ray Marley reported on the transitional MERL Team. Starting next year, MERL will be composed of two parts - leadership and membership development. For this year the Districts can conduct MERL business as it has been done in the past if they wish.

UNMH Project. Lion Jeff Kriz reported that the LCIF grant application for the UNMH project has been prepared and will be submitted once the support letters from the NM Lions foundations are received.

NM Lions Eye Foundation. President Chuck Galusha provided a status report on the Foundation. There has been \$3925 donated by clubs so far this year. He stressed the importance of club support if the Foundation is to continue to be effective. He announced the 2011 NMLEF Eye Ball will occur 9 April at Mountain Annie's in Ruidoso. The event will be opened up to the public. Particulars such as cost are being formulated and will be announced in December.

NM Lions Operation KidSight. Lion Chuck Galusha, NMLOKS Program Coordinator/Administrator, provided a summary report of screening results to date for the year. 163 screening events have been conducted by 14 screening groups with a total of 7,352 kids screened. 1064 (14.7%) kids have been referred for a full eye exam. Lions have expended 1516 hours and travelled 7735 miles to conduct these screenings. One new screening group will be coming on line soon that will add 5000 to 8000 target age children to be screened. Overall, with the Central Program Office having been functional less than a year, much progress has been made.

LCIF Initiative. MDCC Tom Himrod provided a report for PDG Bob Jones. He went over the state club contributions for the year which as a whole are down.

State Convention. No Report.

MD40 Constitution & By-Laws Revision. PID Ray Marley reported the D40N Constitution & By-Laws Committee is reviewing the document and developing some major changes which they will propose. The International Constitution & By-Laws have changed over the years and the MD40 Constitution & By-Laws have not been upgraded to reflect those changes where necessary. Once the proposed changes have been formulated, each will have to be submitted by a club in time to be voted on at the State Convention.

International Convention. PID Don Reese provided the particulars about the International Convention that will occur in Seattle on 4-8 July 2011. The DG's should have registration applications. There are significant savings if you register early.

USA/Canada Forum. The Forum will occur 23-24 September 2011 in Anchorage, Alaska.

Youth Activities. Lion Rose Himrod announced the Peace Poster Contest had been completed for the state and the winning posters for the two Districts have been given to the MDCC. Once the winning poster is selected, it will be send to LCI for the contest. The Youth Exchange has candidate possibilities from Brazil, Sri Lanka, and Peru and host parents are needed if anyone is interested.

Diabetes Awareness. Lion Jeanette Lang reported that there will be an Earth Day Fair in Alamogordo on 30 April 2011 during which there will be a STRIDES walk for diabetes awareness. Walkers will receive T-shirts. Everyone is invited to participate.

Public Relations. Chair Mary Anne Pellington has provided a proposed PR package for MD40 clubs. MDCC Tom Himrod will review.

Pins/Shirts. PDG Kitty Callender announced the 2011 state pins are in and for sale for \$2 each. Shirts are also available. She can get individual shirts embroidered with Lions emblem and state info if anyone needs it.

Leadership. Lion Ray Marley reminded all that there will be no club officer training at the State Convention. To compensate for that, D40N will hold club officer training sessions in Albuquerque, Santa Fe or Las Vegas, and Clovis in April/May 2011. He requested MD40 endorse PID Barry Palmer of Australia for International 2nd Vice President. DG 40S Phil Marvel made a motion to do so. The motion, which was seconded by DG 40N Bill Guss, carried. Finally he reported the five state VDG training will occur in Farmington. He asked the Council to consider providing some seed money if needed. The funds would be reimbursed once he receives payment from LCI. DG 40 S Phil Marvel made a motion to provide PID Ray Marley the funds if necessary. DG 40N Bill Guss seconded the motion which carried.

Old Business. None

New Business.

PDG Duane Broshious, President of the PDG Association, requested that PDGs be provided an MD40 Directory. The issue will be addressed for next year's directories.

Club Announcements.

Lion Christel Post announced the Diabetes Association in Albuquerque recently had a Walk for Diabetes.

Lion Don Trumbull reported the Moriarty Lions will be decorating their Park on 17-18 December. PDG Mary Jane Shannon will be there performing Christmas carols.

PDG Jeff Kriz announced the Albuquerque Rio Grande will be marching in the Twinkle Light Parade. All Lions are welcome to participate.

The Window Rock Lions have raffle tickets for \$1 to win A Safeway gift card.

PDG Jim Brannon reported the T or C Lions will be giving out food baskets and toys on 18 December.

DG 40N Bill Guss Comments. D40N is planning on having a bus (or buses depending on the number of Lions participating) for a trip to Ft. Thomas, AZ, for Melvin Jones 100th birthday on 15 January 2011. D40S is welcome to participate. The Albuquerque Breakfast Lions will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary on 16 November. He has MD40 Directories for those

Clubs that have not received them yet. LCI will be conducting senior leadership classes in Albuquerque this next week and he was notified of a vacancy which he provided a candidate.

DG 40S Phil Marvel Comments. He is in the process of helping two clubs who have funds but few members. There is a new club in Chaparral. The Anthony Lions are making a real turnaround. They will combine with a car club after the first of the year which should help their membership. The Anthony Leos are now active again. He is very interested in getting a bus going for Melvin Jones birthday. Special Olympics will occur next weekend and all are invited to help with the screening of the participants.

PID Ray Marley won the raffle of \$56 which he will award to the youngest NM Lion at the 2011 USA/Canada Forum.

MDCC adjourned the meeting at 2:55PM.

Proposed Budget at a Glance for FY11

* 1538 members average in FY10, budget assumes 1450 members in FY11

* items in bold are Constitutionally allocated

* Cash method of Accounting

	FY09 Carry-over	Income	Last Year - FY10		FY11 Budget
			Expenses	Carry-over	
State Convention @ \$1.00		\$1,538.00			\$1,450.00
Convention Surplus		\$6,565.25			
Conv Host Club Committ @ \$0.30			\$450.00		\$435.00
Administrative Fund @ \$0.70			\$1,275.26		\$1,015.00
	\$234.85			\$6,612.84	
State Council Admin @ \$3.00		\$4,614.00			\$4,350.00
Spec Proj Income Plus -Up		\$500.00			
Meeting			\$270.00		\$350.00
Mileage @ \$0.20/mi in FY11			\$2,389.57		\$2,500.00
Awards					\$400.00
Directory (40)			\$246.50		\$250.00
Pins (150)			\$337.50		\$450.00
Print'g/Postage/Supplies			\$367.10		\$400.00
Bank Charges/Misc					
Unanticipated Req'mts					
	\$532.47			\$2,035.80	
Districts Fund @ \$9.00		\$13,841.50			\$13,050.00
40-N (700 members in FY11)			\$6,882.75		\$6,300.00
40-S (750 members in FY11)			\$6,958.75		\$6,750.00
	\$0.00			\$0.00	
Roar & Webpage @3.00		\$4,614.00			\$4,350.00
Roar			\$1,200.00		\$1,200.00
Webpage			\$1,335.00		\$1,600.00
	\$2,915.00			\$4,994.00	
MERL & Family @ \$2.50		\$3,845.00			\$3,625.00
Membership / GMT					\$200.00
Extension					\$250.00
Retention			\$85.08		\$50.00
Leadership / T3 / DGE Trng / GLT			\$500.00		\$1,625.00
Womens' Initiative			\$1,125.00		\$1,500.00
	\$2,225.75			\$4,360.67	
Special Projects					
Annual VDG / DGE Trng			\$769.78		
Peace Poster					\$150.00
Unanticipated Req'mts					
40-N Lions Alert			\$300.00		
Council Admin / mileage overrun			\$500.00		
Raffles / Fines / misc		\$699.52			
	\$2,681.50			\$1,811.24	