

NEW MEXICO LIONS DISTRICT 40-N
Minutes
DISTRICT MEETING MAY 3, 2008

This meeting took place during the NM Lions State Convention in Hobbs, NM. DG Tom Himrod called the meeting to order at 1:50 PM. VDG Chuck Easton led the flag salute. PDG Ruben Vigil gave the invocation.

Elections for 2008-2009: PDG Ruben Vigil nominated VDG Chuck Easton for District Governor during the coming Lionistic year. The nomination was seconded by PDG Jeff Kriz. VDG Chuck Easton was elected with 37 “yes” votes and one abstention.

Lion Shirley Miller nominated Lion Miriam Stucker for Vice District Governor during the coming Lionistic year. The nomination was seconded by PDG Lee Boyd Montgomery, Jr. Lion Miriam Stucker was elected with 37 “yes” votes and one abstention.

Both pledged in their acceptance speeches to do their best for the District and for all Lions.

Finances: CS/T Bernie Holzapfel reviewed our financial situation for the period July 1, 2007 to April 30, 2008. All clubs have paid their District dues. Income totaled \$18,911 with expenses of \$10,806 resulting in a surplus of \$8,105. However, several expenses still have to be paid prior to the end of the current year, so that the surplus will most likely be reduced to about \$5,000 which can be passed on to the next administration.

PID Ray Marley recommended that the District develop a written procedure for paying an allowance to Cabinet members to help them defray their costs of attending District and other meetings. He warned that in view of ever rising travel expenses it will become increasingly difficult to recruit cabinet and committee members. PID Gordon Post spoke in support of this recommendation.

Awards: DG Tom Himrod presented awards and Certificates of Appreciation to a number of Lions who had worked hard to help him make his term a success.

International Director: In his remarks ID Russell Sarver indicated that in the USA only nine states have shown positive growth during the first nine months while 41 states recorded net losses. He urged everyone to be enthusiastic in recruiting new members. He asked that clubs liven up their meetings and use different approaches to encourage greater participation in club activities.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Bernhard “Bernie” Holzapfel
Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer

