

**Fourth Cabinet Meeting Minutes**  
**April 22, 2017**  
**Bedford, Texas**

**Call to Order:**

The fourth cabinet meeting was called to order by DG Tom Hayford at 2:38 pm.

**Invocation:** Lion Chaplain Joe Crews

**Protocol:** Established at lunch by 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Charlie Bethards

**Welcome and Comments:** District Governor Tom Hayford

Thank you all for being here. If you haven't signed in, please sign in. We have tried to remove some of the line items that are not relevant to this spring meeting and we will try to promptly move on so you will have plenty of time to vote.

**Resolutions: PDG Jeanne Adkison**

The Lions of District 2E2 met April 22, 2017 at the District Convention and Fourth Cabinet Meeting in the City of Bedford, Texas.

Resolution #1: The Fort Worth Founder Lions Club served as the Host for the Friday night Celebration in Honor of their 100 years and the members of the Fort Worth Founder Lions Club extended a great amount of time and energy seeing to the arrangements of this Centennial Celebration and President Dr. Lou Schultz has demonstrated admirable traits of leadership in supervising the members of the Fort Worth Founder Lions Club.

Resolution #2: The Lewisville Lions Club served as the Host for this Convention and meeting. The members of the Lewisville Lions Club extended a great amount of time and energy seeing to the arrangements of this Convention and meeting and President David Jones has demonstrated admirable traits of leadership in supervising the members of the Lewisville Lions Club.

Resolution #3: The Holiday Inn DFW Airport West served as the Host Venue for this Convention and Meeting. The Holiday Inn DFW Airport West extended their assistance and hospitality to the Lions of District 2E2 for this Convention and meeting.

The District Governor and the District 2E2 Cabinet express their appreciation in the form of this Resolution recognizing the effort of Tammy Levy and all the Staff of the Holiday Inn DFW Airport West located in Bedford, Texas.

Motion to accept these 3 resolutions was made by PDG Jack Adkison, second by Lion Joe Crews. Motion passed

**Cabinet Minutes of Prior Meeting: CS Shirley Coleman**

Motion to accept the minutes of the third cabinet meeting made by PDG Jon Paul Burnet, second by PDG Suzi Schneider. Motion Passed

**Treasurers Report: Lion Don Noblit**

Motion to accept the treasurers report made by PDG Jon Paul Burnet, second by PDG Jeanne Adkison. Motion passed.

## **Constitution and Bylaws: PDG Tom Westerman**

I didn't know what I was getting into, rewriting the entire constitution.

## **GMT: 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Charlie Bethards**

GMT District Coordinator PDG Jon Paul Burnett –we are chartering a UNT Campus Club – they now have 21 members. Working on a Flower Mound Club and 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Charlie anticipates a club in Frisco before the end of this Lions year. If we can have just 50 clubs step up and get positive by one new member, we can finish positive in membership. Also trying to recover our FW Northside Lions club.

1<sup>st</sup> VDG Charlie – again do not drop any members until July. With clubs we anticipate coming in we need to recruit about 100 new members. We have been positive in membership for 7 straight years and we are the only district in the state that has been positive for 7 consecutive years and I would sure like to see us make 8 straight years.

## **GLT: 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Pete Koschelew**

GLT District Coordinator PDG Suzi Schneider – Leadership and training. The most important thing we can do is get our new member in and trained and make sure our officers are trained. We will have training at our July meeting. I'm also planning another day training in September and March.

Any type of leadership or training you are interested in doing, just give me a call.

## **Zone Reports**

### ***Zone 1 Chair: Lion Lane Holcomb***

Our last zone meeting we had a program on World Services for the Blind. On DG Tom's goals, we had 4 people upgrade to TLC license plate, 2 organ donors, 4 members have become century club members, and a new member attended TLLF training for the first time. I want to brag on our clubs - all six clubs were represented during lunch.

### ***Zone 2 Chair Lion Susan Curry-Langston – PDG Suzi***

Zone 2 had a meeting a couple of weeks ago with 3 clubs in attendance with about 15 members present. All the clubs are alive and doing well.

### ***Zone 3: Report given by DG Tom***

Doing very well in the Wise County area. Had the opportunity to visit Bridgeport last month. Only challenge is Springtown. Jim Byrom and I continue to try and find new solutions to help them out.

### ***Zone 4 Chair: Lion Elayne Matson - not present but provided written report.***

McKinney Morning Pride: one member signed up as an organ donor, one member upgraded to a Texas Lions Camp license plate, one new member attend February Texas Lions Leadership conference and club worked at the ERC.

McKinney Noon: one member upgraded to a Texas Lions Camp license plate, member attend February Texas Lions Leadership Conference and club visited the ERC. Howe had one member attend Texas Lions Leadership Conference. McKinney Noon and McKinney Morning Pride Lions participated in Texas Lions Camp workday.

**Zone 5 Chair: Lion Vince Rosen**

So far we have had some great activities. One new TLC license plate upgrade, one member signed up to be an organ donor, one new member attended TLLF for the 1<sup>st</sup> time and two members applied to be at least a bronze level Century Club member. Five out of six clubs have worked at the ERC. No real good news about members and at our next meeting membership will be the topic of discussion.

**Zone 6 Chair: Lion Matt Morin** - No Report

**Zone 7 Chair: Lion Ken Sapp** – No Report

**Zone 8 Chair: DG Tom**

All clubs are functioning well. Need to keep on top of TCU and see how we can help them develop a little bit more and keep them engaged. All very active clubs.

**Lion 9 Chair: Lion Paul Swartz**

Organ donors (2), TLLF attendee (1), Century Club member 1, number of clubs holding a fun event (2), zone membership change since the beginning of the year (-6). Donations last quarter for reports I received – Greater Arlington expended \$13,000.

Riverside has bounced back and has a new location. They joined up with a group at church and have added new members.

Zone meeting attendance: September 19<sup>th</sup> all clubs attended; February 11<sup>th</sup> only Greater Arlington, Pantego & Riverside attended and April 8<sup>th</sup> only Greater Arlington and Riverside attended.

We are very lucky at this stage of the game to have Arlington and Pantego in existence as our city council wanted to ban smoking in all of Arlington including the Bingo parlors. We went to a meeting and bombarded them on why not. There were at least 10 organizations that were dependent on the Bingo parlors that showed up to speak. After a second vote by the City Council they made everything in the city smoke free except for the Bingo parlors.

**Lion 10 Chair: Doug Martin**

Zone 10 has been on fire, except for membership but we are working on that. Crowley had a member sign up to be an organ donor. Crowley and Burleson had a member upgrade to a TLC license plate. Crowley had 2 members attend the Texas Lions Leadership conference this year. Crowley and Burleson visited the ERC. All six clubs have had some kind of fun events this year.

Positive things – Everman started reporting club activities for the first time in a few years and they are a Ruby club at this point. All of the clubs in the Zone have been focusing on completing all of the Centennial Service Challenges to become 4 Diamond clubs and Crowley, Forest Hill and Grandview are already there.

Crowley completed a Centennial Legacy Project by donating a 50 foot flagpole with a 1500 sq. ft. American flag with a commemorative engraved granite bench at the base to the City of Crowley for the Crowley Youth Association All Sports Complex.

**Zone 11 Chair: Lion Raymond Vasquez** – No Report

## **Zone 12 Chair: Lion Catherine Duncan**

I am grieved to report that my zone is down 19 members except for my club and I don't have a strategy for helping these clubs. I spoke with the VP of the Weatherford noon club and he also has no answers as to growing membership. The Benbrook club had our huge chili supper fundraiser and raised more money this year than last.

### **Entity Reports:**

#### ***LCIF Chair: PDG Jack Adkison***

I appreciate all this sweet help I've been getting today, how come you haven't been doing this for the last 4 years.

LCIF is alive and well in our district. For those of you that have been keeping score from year to year we have 706 Melvin Jones, 54 progressives and that includes blue sapphire and rubies. We are not number one in the State of Texas I'm sorry to tell you all, we got knocked off by about \$1,000. I hustled up another one this morning and we have more coming and we are going to take the #1 spot back again with a vengeance.

Total donations - \$17,091, 49 of 70 Lions Clubs donating to LCIF for this reporting period. We have some clubs that will not and shall not give a nickel to LCIF. Remember you can adopt one of these clubs. It just cost a few bucks.

Breakdown of donations: Area of greatest need (74), Disaster Relief (1), Measles (which is one of my favorites) (45), Campaign Sight First (1), Sight programs (1), LCIF Sustaining Memberships on pin sales is 59), and we have 8 Melvin Jones Fellows.

Those of you that have not purchased your sustaining membership pins, I have them in my briefcase.

Measles Vaccination Donations Total \$2,820. Sustaining LCIF Pin Sales - \$1,800. Gold \$100 pins – 7, Silver \$50 pins – 4, and Bronze \$20 pins – 45.

The balance of donations are Club 100% donations. There are 70 days left in this donating period as of this cabinet meeting.

I'm getting a lot of pushback on having a LCIF club coordinator. LCI is making us put them on our Board of Directors in our Club. PID Dave gave me a way out – just put your President on there.

I cannot tell you how much I appreciate what you do for LCIF. I cannot tell you how much people in need across this great world appreciate what we do.

Lion Jack and I, in terms of LCIF and money we are raising for the Core 4 Grant, have had conversations with LCIF and at the May meeting the LCIF board is going to take into consideration giving us Melvin Jones credit for the Lions Quest Core 4 Grant matching money.

#### ***TLF Chair: Lion Bob Pederson***

I believe that Tail twister activity is an entity as well. Up until today we have collected \$1795.68. Today at lunch we collected \$1478, which we gave away \$318 leaving a net of \$1160. We have collected up to \$3,273.68 plus I've spent \$592.

Texas Lions Foundation – we are a voluntary dues organization. We have 44 clubs out of 71/72 in our district that contribute. Greater Arlington is a 500% club and Pantego is a 600% club.

I would like to come out to your club and do a presentation. I think we are up to about \$5850 this year, last year we donated \$10,299. So my goal for the next three months is to exceed that amount this year.

**Leader Dog Chair: Lion Tammy Freeman** – No Report

**WSB Chair: PDG G. Polanco**

Unable to stay for meeting but advised he has made 4 presentations in the last quarter.

**2E2 ERC President: Lion Roman Figueroa** – No Report

**TLERC President: Clayton Meissner** – No Report

**TLC Directors: Lion Jerome Davis and Lion Lane Holcomb**

Lion Jerome – activities really picking up down there. We already have 850-875 registered which is about 200+ over last year at this time. They still have some slots in those first five weeks. Lane and I have done about 45-50 presentations this year which means some clubs have not had programs. Thank you all for the license plates and all the things you have done for the camp this year.

Lion Lane – it has been a pleasure to serve with Jerome, I have a feeling he may be one of the best TLC directors in a long time at least as long as I have been around.

There only like 14 clubs in our District that isn't 100% so would like to work on that. Wouldn't it be great if all clubs in 2E2 could be 100%?

**TLC 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: PCC Rick Stoorza**

Congratulated Jerome on his certificate. He has done a terrific job and it is well deserved. He has given over 30 programs this year and will be a 100% director. Lion Lane still has a few programs to give so give him a call and he will be a 100% director. Both are doing a terrific job.

Golf tournament – I have asked PDG Ed Stebbins to work on the golf tournament this coming year to promote and push it so we can have more of a presence. We need to have more hole sponsorships. Not very many sponsorships so far this year. Depending on what we do this year and next year we will have raised about one million in hole sponsorships in donations to the camp. PID Beverly: This August PCC Rick will be installed as President of the Texas Lions Camp at the Board meeting on Saturday. He will be the first camper whoever became president of the TLC, he was also the first camper to become District Governor and the first camper to become Council Chair.

August of 2018 we will need a big 2E2 presence at the camp to host an eating event (picnic) as Rick goes out as President of the camp. We will be asking our members to come down and help showcase our District (will serve about 400 people). Looking to possibly do some special shirts for the workers something to remember it by and wear to our meetings.

Again congratulations to Jerome and Lane for doing a tremendous job.

***TLC Bus Chair: Lion Tony Blauvelt***

This is something I really enjoy and have been doing for the past 16 years (the Dan Dipert tour buses – first class buses all the way). I guarantee you the easiest and best way to go to the camp is on the buses. There is no cost due to Pantego, Greater Arlington and Colleyville helping to fund the buses. If you ever thought how much trouble it is take 1 child to camp, just think about taking 50. We go down the 1<sup>st</sup> week in June and the 1<sup>st</sup> week in July. Go down Sunday morning and deliver the kids to the camp, on Friday and watch them graduate and bring them back on Saturday.

***DAC President: Lion Jim Byrom***

The DAC is doing fine, I think Lion Clayton has gotten our tax status cleaned up and we are legal now to take money in.

I just became aware we had not paid the winners of the Peace Poster Contest. We will fix that. Other than that doing the best we can.

***Organ & Eye Bank President: Lion Temple Cottle***

Vision Assistance – Nine inquires submitted during this Lion year. Two are in review and under consideration.

Screenings – 80 Events, 486 Lions contributed 1670 service hours, 3425 kids were screened (does not include Highland Village Dianne Ashmore), 539 were under age 5, 964 referred and 559 adults were screened.

Sonia @ Prevent Blindness Texas has offered up more adult screener training. It only takes an afternoon and she is willing to come to us.

Lion Troy Dale of the LOEB has been busy training and recently concluded training the membership at a new UNT Campus Club.

Board Positions – we have an open position. We have four coming up for election: Cottle, Rose Marie, Susan Curry-Langston and 1 position that is vacant now.

LOEB Dates to Remember – Senior Synergy Expo at Amon Carter on May 4<sup>th</sup> for adult screening. Always a big event for the seniors.

We continue to give LOEB PR, recruitment and education presentations to all clubs in the District.

A matching grant of \$6,312.50 to LCIF to purchase 2 PlusOptix Instruments was awarded.

We have a great group of hard working volunteer board members on the LOEB. It is a busy board and requires a dedication of time and service, not unlike other entities in the district. Although our by-laws assign members of the board via elections to geographic regions in the district, our membership works hard to find ourselves in all areas of the district.

I encourage all Lions Club members to contact me if you have any inkling of a desire to serve as representatives on the LOEB, or even as committee members appointed as non-directors on the board until you feel the time to run for an elected position.

### ***Julien C. Hyer: PDG Suzi Schneider***

Thirty-four kids already signed up for this coming session with the possibility of 3 more from the Netherlands. End of June will be here before we know it and the kids will arrive.

### **Committee Reports**

#### ***Leo Chair: PDG Tom Westerman***

We have five Leo clubs with two being community Leo clubs. Still doing well with the Leo clubs. Great experience working with Leos.

DG Tom: Colleyville Leo Club did all the pins that were given out to the Grass Root Lion recipients today.

#### ***Sports Extravaganza: PDG Tom Westerman***

Coming again the third weekend in October. This is a joint effort between our district and 2X1. Friday night again will be goal ball.

#### ***Lions Quest: Lion Juneria Berges***

On Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> met with Superintendent John Ramos of Castleberry ISD. With the remaining funds from the first LCIF Lions Quest Core 4 Grant we will be able to provide Lions Quest Kits (Pre-K-5<sup>th</sup> grade) and Lions Quest Training for the teachers and administrators of the three elementary schools this August. The counselors in the district have reviewed the curriculum and have shared in a meeting with the superintendent that this is the exact social and emotional instruction which their district needs so much. On May 5<sup>th</sup> I will meet with the elementary counselors and principals to answer any questions of which they may have regarding implementation and monitoring.

During the same meeting Superintendent John Ramos stated in 2018-2019 the goal is for Lions Quest to be launched in the middle school followed in 2019-2020 launched in the high school. Once we acquire our second LCIF Lions Quest Core 4 Grant, District 2-E2 will be able to provide the kits and training for Castleberry ISD and their expansion of Lions Quest while at the same time we can be branching out and launching Lions Quest in additional school districts within District 2-E2.

At this time the following Lions Clubs and/or others have contributed to the second LCIF Lions Quest Core 4 Grant: Rodney & Sue Ann Clayton (they are not even Lions) -\$200, Denton Triangle Lions Club - \$500, DG Tom & Karri Hayford - \$500, Ft. Worth Founders Lions Club - \$1,000, Colony Lions Club - \$250, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Charlie & Nancy Bethards - \$250, Crowley Lions Club - \$500, Denton Hi Noon Lions Club - \$500, Colleyville Heritage Lions Club - \$250, Colleyville Lions Club - \$1,000, Argyle Lions Club - \$500, Greater Arlington Lions Club - \$500, River Oaks Lions Club - \$1,136. We have \$28,914 to go. These funds must be generated as soon as possible. We cannot drop the Ball.

Just think a moment: Castleberry ISD's student population is 78.9% eligible for free and reduced lunch. The district has a staff of 526 teachers and a student population of 4,046. Without Lions Quest how successful do you think these students will be without the intentional development of social and emotional skills?

Just remember, we already have Lions Quest in Joshua ISD, Lake Worth ISD and Eagle Mountain Saginaw ISD, this year will be Elementary and Middle School and next year High School. We must keep marching forward. Our future in Texas and throughout the world is dependent upon today's youth developing social and emotional skills.

Let's keep making a huge difference in the lives of our students, teachers and parents and communities. Keep those donations coming.

The last deadline is September 1<sup>st</sup> – Need to have Proposal in LCIF's hands by October 1<sup>st</sup> in order to meet the Lions Quest Bi-annual Meeting.

***USA/Canada Forum: 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Pete Koschelew***

USA/Canada forum will be held in Portland September 21-23. Early bird registration will run through June 9 at a cost of \$289.

***Long Range Planning: PDG Bob Mitchell – No Report***

***International Liaison/Centennial Coordinator: PID Beverly Stebbins***

The Texas Centennial book that PIP Ebb Grindstaff has been responsible for writing and including other people's thought. The book is presently being sold on a pre-sale basis that ends in April – price is and will always be \$30. The only books that Ebb will be signing are those coming in through the district coordinators during the presale. This book will not be in your local book store but will be available at the International Convention. Some folks are buying a copy for their local library or buying for their club's outgoing president instead of a plaque.

As for our Centennial events, we are having our first one here this weekend and hope you all had an opportunity to see some of the history on the table out front which includes pictures of PDG's of 2E2 and other history information. We will continue at the State Convention in San Antonio and this will also be the local goodbye for Tom's Council. Then we have the International Convention in Chicago and we are actually going to march through downtown Chicago instead of the boonies. Remember the first weekend in October will be our Texas Centennial celebration in Dallas. They have extended the early bird \$195 registration, but not sure for how long.

PCC Rick: PDG Ed was challenged to do some things connected with the Centennial, but due to his health PID Beverly spent a tremendous amount of time putting this together. We appreciate all the work they both have done.

***Public Relations/Information Chair: PCS Karri Hayford – No Report***

***Alert Chair: Lion Mike Johnston – No Report***

***Cultural & Community Chair: PDG Suzanne Henderson – No Report***

***Photographer/Environmental Chair: Lion Deborah Cottle***

If anyone is interested in any of the pictures that I have taken, just give me your email address and I will send you the link to the drop box and you can go and grab the pictures.

***Hearing Preservation Chair: Lion Jim Woodall***

DG Tom on behalf of Lion Jim – We do have an organization in the State of Texas called The Miracle Ear Foundation. If a person qualifies financially and has a Lion Sign off, as we do for eye glasses, they can purchase a hearing aid for \$150. Keller, Benbrook and another club have contacted me and I have sent them the information.

***Old Business: DG Tom Hayford***

I want to report to the cabinet that at the beginning of the year I informed you that we had an IRS issue with our tax returns for 2006 and 2008 and at that time the bill was in excess of \$5,000.

I am happy to report that the latest correspondence from the IRS is that the 2008 tax return is no longer an issue and we will receive a release and a written confirmation acknowledging the release.



The 2006 tax return was six weeks late so we have incurred penalties less than \$1,000. We continue to appeal the pending bill to the IRS of about \$885 and change.

***New Business: DG Tom Hayford***

We have a little bit of money in Public relations and as District Governor I would like to put an ad in the State Program and the 100 Year Anniversary Program. Each one of those are \$150. PCC Rick Stoorza made a motion authorizing the Governor to spend \$300 on these two programs, second by PID Beverly Stebbins. Motion passed.

Additional new business: I received a letter which I was requested to read to the cabinet. (Letter is shown as addendum). The letter is from the Colleyville Lions Club endorsing and supporting PDG Jon Paul Burnet as Council Chair for Lions District 2E2 for 2019. This formally means that PDG Jon Paul Burnet will be running for the State Council Chair for the 2022-2023 year.

Additionally: As you know we are in a fund raiser mode for the funds needed for the Core 4 Grant. PDG Jon Paul Burnet made motion that District 2E2 cabinet supply the funds to cover the difference between what is collected and what is needed (not to exceed ?) for the Core 4 Grant this year. Right now we need \$28,914. We need to have the money by September 1<sup>st</sup> in order to have the proposal in by October 1st.

The cabinet needs to consider that this could be a good use of the reserves. If the cabinet in the future decides to do this I think the cabinet should consider taking the funds from the Reserve fund and the Alert fund. After much discussion motion by 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Charlie and second by Lion Don Noblit that the original motion be tabled until the July Cabinet Meeting.

***Parade of Checks: Aledo 100% Donations Checks***

***Benediction: Lion Chaplain Joe Crews***

**DG Tom Hayford adjourned the meeting at 4:19 pm.**

## Addendum



### Colleyville Lions Club

P. O. Box 536 • Colleyville, TX 76034

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April 11, 2017

Dear DG Tom Hayford:

The Colleyville Lions Club highly endorses and supports PDG John Paul Burnett's serving as the Council Chair for Lions District 2-e2 for 2019. The Colleyville Lions Club knows that Lion John Paul is well qualified for this position due to his broad and extensive range of Lions Club experiences. Lion John Paul lives and serves as a role model of "I am a Lion and here to SERVE!"

Within District 2-e2 Lion John Paul served as the:

- District Governor during 2012-2013,
- GMT,
- Convention Chairman Advisory Committee,
- 2-e2 Convention Chairman for 2016-2017, and
- Zone Chair

In addition, the following various service leadership positions reflect the diversity of expertise and experiences:

- MD-2 Leader Dog Chair,
- Regional Chairman Canine Development Program for LDB in Texas,
- Member of the LDB Advisory Council in Rochester Hills, MI,
- TLC Director,
- TLC DG representative for BOD,
- President of the Colleyville Lions Club,
- Regional Zone Chair, and
- Chair of numerous fundraising projects and service projects,

PDG John Paul Burnett is extremely dedicated to the mission of Lions Club International. He is a progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, Progressive Jack Weich Fellow, Presidential Leadership Medal recipient, Lion of the Year, TLC Life Membership, and has been presented the Presidents' Certificates of Appreciation.

The Colleyville Lions Club Members assure you that PDG John Paul Burnett will be an EXCEPTIONAL Council Chair who inspires, supports, and encourages each and every person he serves and works alongside!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Juneria Berges".

Juneria P. Berges, Ed.D.  
President of the Colleyville Lions Club