

Lions Clubs International District 105EA – 2018 / 2019

Minutes of the second Cabinet meeting of the Lionistic year 2018/19 held on Sunday 10th February 2019 at the Ipswich Hotel. The reports referred to in these minutes have been placed on the web site prior to the meeting.

Present : DG Lion Mandy Hawksley (Bungay), IPDG Lion Derek Prior (Billericay), 1VDG Lion Ujjal Kullar (Taverham), 2VDG Lion David Pope (Peterborough), DG Elect *(CE) Guch, DG Steve Scale, DT Paula Mellows, PDGs Brian Stanbridge (Eastwood), Derek Maguire (Haverhill), Jim Cawte (Wymondham) and Paul Martin (UEA Campus club). Region Chairs Lions Sue Cowee (Attleborough 2013), Sandie Briault (Witham Lionesses and Lion/Lioness Club), Jane Gardner (Bungay), John Potter (March). Zone Chairs Lions, Michael Gardner (Bungay), Paul Southerton (Kings Lynn), Colin Talbot (Romford), Bill Peacock (Peterborough), David Large (Leigh on Sea), Keith Radley (Witham), David Goodwin, Len Russell, Pam Maguire (Haverhill), Angela Howard (Saffron Walden Lionesses/Lion. Lioness Club), Sue Wharton and John Wharton (Lion/Lioness Club), Martin Langdon (West Norwich), Di Parkin (Peterborough), Derek Rutter (March), Liz Godden, Adrian Robinson (Clacton on Sea), Simon Smith (Centennial 100)

Lions Clubs Code of Ethics was read by Lion Jenny King (New Century)

Lions Clubs Code of Purposes was read by Lion David King (New Century)

Almoner

Colin Moore Basildon, Terry Stevenson Halesworth

At this point DG Mandy bagged up the remaining members of Cabinet.

Apologies for absence had been received from, Ian Constable (Littleport), PID Phil Nathan, Lions Matty Bungard, Rod Davies (Hethersett), Toni Marie Wagner (Bungay), John Coadwell (Wymondham), Peter Smith (Stowmarket) and Tim Watts and PDG George Harris (Leigh on Sea)

1.0 Minutes of the previous meeting – Proposed as a true record by Lion David Pope, seconded by Lion John Potter, all agreed.

2.0 District Officers reports

2a DG's report – DG said it seems long time since

Council of Gobs – queries on insurance no book going out as queries can be misinterpreted, so please ring insurance officer Becky. We are insured for everything we were before. If you have over 70 drivers please call her she has some extra cover.

0845 numbers changing to 0345 will be done automatically and will incur no costs to caller.

Student dues – we pay half but when become new district this has to go to convention (first) as this is not part of constitution.

GST – in America they do eye screening not here as this is not done anymore, letters to go out today. Cost is £6700 per camera can do a lot of good work with these.

Youth Council to work alongside the council of governors, young lions and one per district to meet on line with council and one rep to attend council of governors. Need new young blood coming in.

Vacancies at MD, GMT, Health and Safety, Dep secretary. Leos (alpha and), Medicalert, CNRO, Keith Hedges resigned and a team of 5 to take over the sight Linda Picton and others.

Steve Scall said with GMT officer retiring did not come as a shock. He felt gmt should have been at the council meeting, it is most important thing as everything revolves around membership. Had two presentations at meeting one by gentleman from Netherlands and one from

Bored out of head what we should be doing, what we have to do, pie charts etc. at end stood up and said our organisation is about service, what is going to grow membership is service to the community, we have got to shake ourselves up and that can be done through service.

E resolution regarding self insurance fund, kicked out not constitutional, e mail sent to Derek Blow before with lots of facts and figures which were not included, would need to sell some investments and you would have to find out which clubs paid from Charity. Steve said that he stood up and said £75000 in his view and that of his cabinet should go back into charity and he said could be used to buy camera for each new district, some thought good idea, treasurer said could not go that way as it was not sitting in a pot, lost vote 10 – 2.

A lot of discussion was spent on the cameras ad Service – this is the way we should be going.

Youth symposium which is causing some problems is for lions of less than 5 years service and younger generation, lot of good things came out of it, please encourage members who have been less than 5 years to come forward to help with the dinosaurs. Steve said it was decided that the symposium had nothing to do with membership, feels that was cock-eyed thinking, this should be used to look for possible new leaders and nurture them. Everything we do revolves around membership, we need more transparency we need the us and them situation to be abolished. We have to shake up the organisation if we are able to survive

PDG Paul re the resignation of GMT, was one of the dinosaurs and this has run two years and no-one from GMT has attended either. DG said the debate will go on for sometime. Lets find some more for the next one, attendees were asked if wanted to attend next Lions Leadership symposium.

Handed over to Derek Prior, Paul, Derek, David G, David P and Roger called to front. He received this award dated November in December for the Excellence award for all the hard work during his year in 2017/19, although part of the team no medal for Mandy and Ujjal.

Mandy said at md convention it is proposed to run a raffle and each district to provide a prize what money for help convention against unanimous for 0 PDG Paul said disgusting.

Simon asked if GDPR was discussed at council – always is and new deputy compliance officer is from EA Lion Lioness club working with Heather Jevons. Simon says had more from the Deputy in two days this week than 6 months from the Office. Mandy says officers way or no way.

2ndVDG – guiding lion for Reephram working on new members ??

Derek p no up date

2c District Secretary's report – Feb 20th cut off date for convention, will not chase as will not have time
Membership 1132

Adrian said several items for agenda outstanding needed clarifying before 20th

David Large all photos higher service

IT – requires decision. Website with new district they need information before 1st June or nothing will be done, please give us the information

Generic e mail address, need new cabinet etc and need time to do it – info by 1st June

Need information as to decide which route we go down one costs one doesn't

Weekly news works very well, and ok until June but from 1st July needs to go to PR will give them all support they need. From 1st July need to get all clubs from E involved and tell them what it is about and how to get on to it. Complaints charter advertisement.

2020 included not urgent at moment but needs to be looked at about £5000 for kit can be hired would not recommend this. David L and Simon will be working through next year but then finish need to look for new team web masters.

Derek prior asked how many club web sites they look after approx 13.

Paula taking over from Tom Berry for CIO, foundation CIO which SE and MD have in place and she is starting the ball rolling and pressing go button this week. Good rapport with CIO getting things through in about 2 days.

Passed to David Pope – confirmed most of what David and Simon have said is in hand. Steering group Mandy Ujjal, David, Paul, E Guch, Steve Paula, Alan. David handed out a sheet outlining the positions available for the year 2019/20.

Sue Hibbert – new century bit concerned leos put under membership and not youth, they are a club project, they are working to help communities and not lining them up for new members. Noted.

Derek Rutter said assumed Speech and Hearing will come under Disabilities David confirmed yes, not aware of MD structure. Derek said very disappointed. Noted.

Simon said district web site more for lions and we need to have public face so info can be passed to public easily. Do we have names, David said at same point as last week ask Mandy if Guch can make appointments when he gets back from USA. Ujjal asked if anyone wants to be considered for post please contact him. RC and ZC

David large said will make e mails for every post on the form and will also create groups mailing.

Need charity number from Paula Lions clubs international District 105CE foundation. Steve need to get together to start to let clubs in E to get on to EA weekly news don't worry if it says EA this will help to transfer everything over.

Paul asked where cabinet will be held for CE, approached 2 hotels to see if anyone can help, waiting to hear back from Stoke Rochford 20 miles north Peterborough and the other Peterborough Holiday inn.

Mandy badged up Roger Fuller.

Treasurers report:

New century and UEA campus dues received. Club accounts outstanding received Thetford.

Donations 2959.20 on account from 41 clubs from 69 for youth programme.

CIO following now CIO status – Acle & Brundall, Attleborough 2013, Bungay, Clacton, EA Lioness, Eastwood, Hethersett, March, Kings Lynn, Southwold, still some need to complete. Also working on Braintree, New Century, Haverhill, Ipswich Lowestoft, Mersea Island, Newmarket, Southend, Taverham, Bury st.Edmunds. When these are complete will go to team leader for next group. Peterborough almost complete and David said it is not as onerous as it looks.

Paula says once you have the charity number everything goes out including the club name and cio registration number.

All documents can be scanned and returned to Roger.

CNRO – David said nothing has gone out about resolutions was hoping insurance but E are doing that. Two resolutions going out tonight not much reply re delegates and alternates

Convention report –

2019 – Martin and Sue. As in report have been one or two tricky moments with this convention, hotel lost second events manager since we started. He is meeting with manager every week, manager was events manager last time we were here. Holiday Inn has been completely upgraded all rooms upgraded including bars etc. coach shuttle service are here from there to here and back including at 12 / 12.30 after the two evening session. Will be writing to everyone asking about coach and giving the details. Mandy thanked everyone who had agreed to move.

Sue said only 4 bookings for stalls, if you require one please contact Julie Chandler. Looking for mixologist (cocktail maker) who wont charge too much for a short time to help Mandy mix some cocktails.

Chris asked how many people booked – Sue didn't know he told her 124 and 158

Martin said if all goes according to plan we will be in a comfortable position financially. Also included is future, we agreed two hold next two years conventions at Peterborough and had agreed to compile an outline of what is required and he has passed it round. Want to include remote places so they do not feel excluded.

Paul Martin question from him and tech meeting is there real ale in the hotel – Martin said this is already on the list.

David P said had requested Peterborough mini bus is this still needed, yes it is for shuttle earlier in the evening. David needs copy of driving licence must be under 70 and low number of endorsements. He has PDG & friend and they only want to stay here, can we confirm they are at Copdock - Sue said she had asked people to change and unless they were spoken to they are here. David King said that all Peterborough here. Mandy thanked Sue, David and Martin for all their hard work. Ipswich Friday diabetes, foodbank medicalert, message in a bottle – volunteers please. Martin has booking forms for those who may have forgotten to book. No gazebo they will supply. Chris Hibbert food collection in market but would like to do it at convention too. Mandy said the foodbank will collect. Apologise tech team have e mailed notes. Thank Sue and her team for the difficult job of re-arranging rooms, it was dealt with the greatest tact Ujjal zone 3b ZC has resigned and Sue Cowee looking after that for the rest of the year, including Zones A and B.

Brian Stanbridge heard from MD 21,000 hearing aids have been recycled, 7000 since January.

John Potter update on region 1 report had first meeting at university centre Peterborough, 28 interest and one signed up on the day.

Peter Baker superb, John going in again next week. Operates on two half session so he is going into the other half next week.

International requested Paul to come over and has visited many clubs over the md, hopefully more clubs

Sue Cowee region 3 was hosting forum on 24th February, only 5 so this has been cancelled not asking people to come along to talk to so few.

Sandie in report not sure about Tendring, clubs going to Milan this has changed and they are not one more to check but looks as if can now do it.

Derek Rutter reminder that hearing training Feb 16th at March

2020, 2021 and possibly 2022. John Potter said have had first meeting for 2020 and booking forms will be available for both E and EA conventions.

Tim Watts did meeting last week anomaly but this was what the clubs wanted, club reports e mailed and circulated, everyone talked and best meeting ever. One person admitted found lions meeting boring, this needs to be worked on. Mandy said this is something which came out at the symposium, we need to change but up to clubs how they run their business.

Region / Zone Reports

Raffle: raised a total of £112

Vote of thanks

IPDG Derek congratulated Mandy on a good meeting, you have steered the group of cats through another one of these very efficiently, especially as your mike tended to talk to your jacket rather than us. It was busy as usual but that is to be expected this time of year. Conducting good meeting nice to see E here. Well done only 4 and half months to go.

Closing remarks by DG

DG Mandy thanked everyone for coming along today and for their participation in the meeting. We still have lots to do. Don't forget to book for convention.

Tail twister This was carried out in the usual professional manner and raised £41.96

Next meeting Sunday 12th May at the Ipswich hotel.

AOB

Lions105EA You tube £6750 cost of camera, asking all clubs to give donation of £100 doing as md project so that we can get matched funding from LCIF, one per district.

7billion ideas £325 cost per school they do all work etc. Derek Rutter said it came out that only 3 in team Steve said it can be any number 4 in last winning team. Colin Talbot asked whether money for one team or one school, costs covers everything. 7 billion set up road show and go round to schools in advance to show what is going on.

Looking for 500 marathon runners supporting Special Olympics, global ambassadors Nicole Schwe Pogba, Mo Farrah will be there on the day 26th May in London outside Buckingham Palace.

Paul attended training session over last council meeting weekend re CIOs. Our advisors and the CIO have set up a list of what everyone should be doing. Propose Friday of convention, 15th

Jim Cawte – 1st Sept this year will be district fun day at Great Yarmouth where clubs bring youngster for the day cost about £16.50 per person.

Tendring show and Norfolk wrist bands have sufficient for this year but if carry on need more, Norfolk Show give donation of £1200 so wrist bands pay for themselves. Roger says that the money has always come to him and goes in admin never any mention of wrist bands, not happy that it goes into charity for wrist bands. Have requested donations from clubs in past of £25 to buy things required. These should be purchased from charitable trust, 50000 cost £1200 proposed Roger fuller seconded.

Paul said several years ago clubs came on Tuesday to help farmers with their animals and get paid from the £1200 if they claim from treasurer. Simon asked if E did something similar Lincolnshire possible they could take it on. Roger said seems silly to buy 20k for £700 and 50k for £1200. David asked why ask now if for next year, makes no difference. Roger said will be £1200 less to go into CE but we will have the stock. Derek Prior has concern that if we buy 5 years worth will we be wasting money. Colin Talbot takes them to Havering show and if not fresh you end up throwing them away difficult to use. Martin Langdon said his club raise 500 in donations at the Norfolk Show. Amend proposal from Roger spend up to £1200 on wristbands seconded Jim Cawte, 4 against, 0 abstentions carried.