



Cheyenne Sunrise Lions  
 Regular Meeting Minutes  
 February 25, 2019, 6:30 AM  
 Little America Hotel & Resort, Cheyenne, WY

Attendance:

Board Members					
President	X	Robin Walters	Board Member (1)	X	Bill Breeden
Vice President	X	Denise Miller	Board Member (1)	X	Diane Tammen
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP		vacant	Board member (2)	X	Joe Bruner
Secretary	X	Dave Orr	Board Member (2)	X	Gus Lopez
Treasurer	X	Deane Skinner	Lion Tamer	X	Jim Landen
IP President	X	Jerry Egge	Tail Twister	X	Bill Walters
Membership Dir.	X	Jim Reynolds			
Chairmen					
Social		Vacant	Program	--	Robin Walters
Train	X	PID John Harper	Vision Screening	E	Sue Hume
Const./ByLaws		Vacant	Community Svc.	--	Denise Miller
Ride for Sight	--	Jim Reynolds	Literacy		Kathy Orr

Membership

Name		Name		Name		Name		Name	
Brown, J.	X	Dykeman	X	Heimbuck, G.	X	Lopez, L.		Russell	
Dolan, J.	X	Fisher	X	Hunter		Martin		Scherr	
Dillinger		Foreman	X	Jones		Reynolds, G.		Weigner	X
		Heimbuck, B.	X	Lewis				Whittecar	X

Attendance – 22 members and 2 Guests; Total attendance, 24  
 Quorum is 10 members (30% of 33 members). A quorum was present.

**Birthdays before next regular meeting: March 6, Jim Landen**

**Anniversaries: None**

**Song of the Day: “General Store”**

- I. CALL TO ORDER, PRESIDENT ROBIN WALTERS, FLAG SALUTE; PRAYER**
- II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS –** Cody Martinez, Downtown Food Co-op, Brenden (Lion Diane’s grandson)
- III. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**
  - A. None
- IV. PROGRAM –** Cody Martinez, Downtown Food Co-op **CORRESPONDENCE**

Goal is to provide nutritious foods at a reasonable price to people in the downtown area. Lion Jerry pointed out that nutritious foods are less likely to contribute to diabetes – Lions service goals include hunger and diabetes. Benefits of a co-op: pay a higher percentage of budget to their employees. More goes to workers rather than to stock holders or corporate “higher ups.” Focus on foods that are produced locally. A goal is to provide fresh meat. They are seeking a butcher to come to work with them. Social benefit: food security – can find food close to where they live. They hope to provide fresh produce. Difficult to get local produce in the winter. Goals – reduce food waste (good for environment); keeps dollars inside the community. There is a membership fee -\$30 per year. May apply for exemption from the fee. Location is still in question – looking at old Goodyear store on 16<sup>th</sup> Street. Probably 2 years from opening their doors. Need to sell at least 500 membership fees in order to start. Need help to publicize the effort. Question: how many people live in the downtown area – 8,000. About 10% do not own a vehicle. Suppliers – National Grocery Cooperative Association provides assistance to co-ops. This is a potential supplier. DDA has some grants available. Cody will be meeting with them soon. Facebook site: Cheyenne Food Co-op. It was suggested that he contact the food co-op in Pine Bluffs.

**V. CORRESPONDENCE**

A. Request from Camp Hope for donation – deferred to Board meeting

**VI. NEW/OLD BUSINESS**

A. Spring fund raiser – Denise, Gail and Diane

Jail and Bail – Several Arrestees for \$500 have been arranged so far with 9 other possibilities.

Sam's Club has a jail. May 22 is the tentative date. Possible Venue – Depot Plaza \$150 for ½ day or \$250 for full day (+\$250 deposit). Need to reserve it in advance. **Joe moved/Denise 2<sup>nd</sup> to reserve the Depot Plaza for May 22 for the full day. Unanimous.** Gail will make the reservation and get with Deane for funding.

B. Vest Report – Robin: Another vest has been paid for. By next week we will be half way to paying off the loan to the District for the cost of the materials purchased from the Lander Lions. Goal is to pay it off by State Convention.

**VII. UPCOMING EVENTS**

A. Vision Screening – Steve F./Sue H. – Screenings continue – one is scheduled for Thursday at St. Mary's Elementary with up to 80 kids. Lion Steve reported that we are running at about 10% referral rate overall. Lion Sue does the leg work to schedule the locations. About 35% of the preschools are new each year. In home facilities have only 5 or 6 kids. We get calls from schools asking us to screen.

A. Dining in the Dark Committee – March 4, 5:30 PM, 708 Cypress – Robin passed around information. We need silent auction items. Asked club for help with ticket selling and auction items. Frontier Club bought 2 tickets and will auction them off to interested club members. Will consider financial support at the Board meeting next week

B. Frontier Lions Top Scout Recognition – March 7 6:30 PM at Red Lion. Tickets can still be purchased. Contact Lion Steve Hopkins.

C. Ride for Sight Committee Meeting – March 4, 7PM at Jim R.'s home (5149 McCue). Over \$4,000 in sponsor money. \$20 discount for seniors. Jerseys have been ordered. Need committee chairs to attend the meeting on Monday.

D. Next 5<sup>th</sup> Monday is April 29 – ideas for an activity, discussion – there was a question about trying to find an evening activity so Lions who work in the daytime can participate. It was decided to investigate further and talk about it at the Board meeting.

1. Visit Celestial Seasons factory in Boulder – they only have daytime tours

2. Trivia Contest – Lion Bruce explained how they ran this even in Guernsey. There was an entry fee, and other clubs were invited – rounds of 10 questions, can buy a second question for \$5. Funds raised in the Guernsey activity were donated to the Lions Camp

3. Visit the Budweiser Brewery near Ft. Collins

4. Visit the New Belgium Brewery in Ft. Collins – Jim L. checked with them. Tour of 20 is available. He suggested lunch followed by a tour.

5. Visit the New Brewery in Pine Bluffs – Deane will investigate

**VIII. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION**

A. Vision Screening last week at Our Savior Lutheran Pre-School – Lions Steve, Joe, Sue, John, Dave, Kathy, Deane and Linda participated. 12 kids screened, 1 referral and 34 children's books donated.

**IX. Tail Twister Drawing**

Lion Gail won the immunity badge

Lion Dave won a whistle key finder (which he had donated as a raffle item).

Lion Deane won the joker drawing and drew the 6 of diamonds (and everyone cheered). \$100.00 was in the pot. There are 49 cards left in the deck.

**X. ANNOUNCEMENTS, EXCUSES, ALIBIS**

A. None

**XI. ADJOURNED AT 7:23 AM**

**NEXT MEETINGS**

Board Meeting – Mar. 5

Regular Meeting – Mar. 11

Regular Meeting – Mar.25

## **REVIEW OF ACTIONS TAKEN AT BOARD MEETING**

- A. No additional action needed by club members:
  - 1. Approved spending up to an additional \$195 for an eye exam for a new surgery applicant, Dawayne M. Approved applying for Lions of Wyoming Foundation and RMLEB grants to assist with cost of this surgery.
  - 2. Approved applying for LoWF grant to assist with hearing aid for Barbara W (71 year old woman, living only on her social security check)
  - 3. Lion Joe Bruner will explore alternate locations for our meetings. Contract with Little America ends in June.
  - 4. President Robin appointed Lions Jerry, Gus and Jim Landen to serve on the Nominations Committee. Darald Dykeman has also been asked to serve, but has not responded. Lion Dave agreed to serve if Darald is unable to accept.
  - 5. We still need a Social Committee Chair. Lion Robin has been filling in, but she would appreciate it if someone would volunteer.

## **FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT BOARD MEETING**

- 1. Spring Fund Raiser
- 2. Eye Surgeries/Grants/Hearing Aids
- 3. 5<sup>th</sup> Monday activity for April 30.

## **CURRENTLY INACTIVE PROJECTS**

- A. Train

## **PROGRAMS/EVENTS CALENDAR**

### **March**

- 4 – Dining in the Dark Committee Meeting, 5:30 PM, 708 Cypress
- 4 – Ride for Sight Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, 5149 McCue Dr.
- 5 – Board Meeting
- 7 – Frontier Lions Top Scout Recognition – 6:30 PM at Red Lion
- 11 – Regular Meeting, Program – Sabrina Lane, 2-1-1 Program
- 25 – Regular Meeting, Program – Don Kremer, new Animal Shelter CEO
- 29 – Dining in the Dark, 6PM, Red Lion

### **April**

- 2 – Board meeting
- 8 – Regular meeting
- 22 – Regular meeting
- 29 – 5<sup>th</sup> Monday

### **Upcoming events:**

- August 4, 2019 – Ride for Sight