

District Governor Newsletter

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Message From District Governor Michael Tobin

“Where there is a need, there is a Lion”

Hello District 37.

The good news is spring is just around the corner (30 days anyway) so start the count down. I don't like bad news, so I am not going to give you any.

Convention: I am aware that there have been some issues with registration and payment. Hopefully by the time this is published those will have been worked out. Sorry about that. As it stands right now when you go to www.montanalions.org

click on “Events”, click on “District Convention”, select “Register Now”. Complete the registration process and click on “Proceed to Payment Options”. If our PayPal account is back up, you can pay online. If you prefer to write a check, just print out the invoice and mail it and your check to the address listed. Any other issues please let me know. I look forward to seeing you all at convention.

I am starting to see a lot of interest in sharing you club’s service projects on the district’s website. This is great, keep it going, other clubs are starting to learn new ways of serving their communities. This is what I was hoping for.

Don’t forget to make your club’s auction item and bring it to convention. I love seeing the crafts and the baskets that are put together.

DG Michael Tobin

SERVICE FROM THE HEART March 2022

Our Lions family brings together people of all ages, experiences, cultures and character, and we are united by a common passion-service. What makes you special and unique is also what makes you exactly the right person your community depends on to make a difference every day.

By embracing our diversity, we’re celebrating how our kindness transcends borders and our service is without exception. And when we give every member the opportunity to lead, grow and pursue their passions, our service will be without limits. Let’s never forget to celebrate who we are, what makes each of us so special, and how we can accomplish anything together when we let our passion for service shine through.

DOUGLAS X. ALEXANDER
INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

OFFICIAL CALL FOR THE CONVENTION

The annual District Convention shall be held on April 29 and 30 at the Holiday Inn, Great Falls. Official start of convention, 1:00 PM on April 29.

**2022 DISTRICT CONVENTION
GREAT FALLS, APRIL 29-30**

AS USUAL WE WILL BE HAVING THE SILENT AND LIVE AUCTIONS AS A PRIMARY FUNCTION OF FRIDAY EVENING.

AS A PRELUDE AND KEEPING A LOOK AHEAD WE WOULD LIKE

EACH CLUB

TO MAKE SURE TO PUT THIS ON YOUR CALENDAR.

THIS AUCTION IS A MAJOR FUNDRAISER FOR THE DISTRICT. THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR WILL DIRECT FUNDS RAISED TO WORTHY LIONS SERVICE PROJECTS. CLUBS AND CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PROVIDE AUCTION ITEMS.

THE “PARADE OF GREEN” WILL PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR CLUBS TO DONATE TO SPECIFIC PROJECTS.

**PLEASE RESPOND WITH YOUR DONATED AUCTION ITEM, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO:
GREAT FALLSLIONSCONVENTION2022@GMAIL.COM**

CONVENTION REGISTRATION

1. Registration is completely on the www.montanalions.org site.
2. YOU will need to complete all selections for the event or for separate meals.
3. This registration DOES NOT INCLUDE the registration for your room. For this you MUST call the convention hotel HOLIDAY INN GREAT FALLS, 406-727-7200, use code SLC for the convention rate of \$109.00

- 4. PAYMENT will be online as part of the registration process.
- 5. QUESTIONS? www.greatfallslionsconvention2022@gmail.com

Convention information from PDG Jack Beckman, Convention Chairperson

CLUB DELEGATE FORMULA

Policy Manual, Article 8, Section B: Club Delegate Formula

Each chartered club in good standing in Lions Clubs International and this District shall be entitled in each annual convention of this District to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each (10) members, who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in the club or major fraction thereof, of said club as shown by the records of the International office on the first day of the month last preceding that month during which the convention is held. The major fraction referred to in this section shall be five (5) or more members. Each certified delegate, present in person, shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote only on each question submitted to the respective convention. All eligible delegates must be members in good standing of a club in good standing within the District.

Montana District 37 grants full delegate status to each past district governor who is a member of a club in such district independent of the club delegate quotas.

PLUSOPTIX

Our PlusOptix representative will be attending this year's convention in Great Falls. Come join us and bring your machines. If they need to be up-dated we can do it in Great Falls. Also, if you have any questions for the representative don't hesitate to ask her. I am looking forward to seeing you at the convention.

Lion Dave Falcon

The logo features the text "Lions: We Serve" in a bold, sans-serif font. Each letter is a different color: 'L' is pink, 'i' is orange, 'o' is yellow, 'n' is green, 's' is blue, ':' is purple, 'W' is yellow, 'e' is green, 'S' is blue, 'e' is purple, 'r' is blue, 'v' is purple, 'e' is blue. The text is set against a white background with a subtle shadow effect.



Lions Clubs International **FOUNDATION**

District 37 Parade of Green at the April Convention will soon be upon us.

It has been a tradition to have clubs present checks at the District Convention for presentation to endorsed projects. The following is an alphabetical list of those projects that have been endorsed by District 37's Cabinet.

- *Florence Crittenton Home (Helena)
- *Leader Dogs for the Blind
- *Lions Clubs International Foundation
- *Montana Association for the Blind
- *Montana Sight & Hearing Foundation
- *Montana Youth Diabetes Alliance

2nd International Vice-President Dr. Patti Hill, and her husband Greg, will be the Convention Guests and Vice-President Hill will be our keynote speaker. Many of us remember VP Patti from our days in MD-37.

If your club is not going to have an attendee at the convention, please consider sending your donation to District Treasurer Dan Krum at PO Box 213, Worden, Mt. 59088 so it can be included with those checks in the Parade of Green on April 29th.

Montana has been blessed with grants totaling over \$1 million dollars since the Lions Clubs International was formed. From floods, fires, emergency preparedness, to playground equipment, a handicap fishing dock, senior centers, Habitat for Humanity Homes, Youth Diabetes Camps, PlusOptix equipment, state-of-the-art readers for 100 students across Montana and a Sensory Garden at Zoo Montana, to name some of them.

Grants from the Lions Clubs International Foundation, are only possible because of the continued support of individual Lions and Lions Club around the world. All donations are tax deductible, and 100% of your donation go to Project Grants!

Thank you for your past and future support of all of these projects.

LCIF Chair, PDG Lary Garrison

DISTRICT WEBSITE

Our new website, www.montanalions.org is up and running. It is getting more visits week over week, which means it is being used. We have followed the use of the website with metrics which is information about how many visits, how long, how many pages, which pages and new versus returning visitors. We want to encourage all of you to take a look and see what is offered and to determine how you can use the website. Less than 90 members have visited the site. When you start at the home page, take the time to look around and get a feel for what is available and how to access the information. You will be amazed at how easy the directory of officers and clubs is to access. You can search if you want to find what you are looking for. The by-laws and constitution are on the site along with the current and archived monthly newsletters. You can send photos and news articles about your club's activities after the event of before if you want to notify Montana Lions about an upcoming event. You can use the site to help a potential new member to understand what Lions do in Montana. There will be more information every week as clubs post more information and we continue to add to the site. If you have any suggestions about the web site you can contact District Governor Michael Tobin or Website Chair Richard Gessling at, gesslingdds@gmail.com Thank you for checking the website out.

CLUB NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Any Lions club member can submit information associated with any type of Lions project or general club information. Please send in "word" format and/or photos in JPEG format to: PDG Dennis Kopitzke; djk_7491@rangeweb.net

2023 District Convention Bid Form – The bid form for hosting the 2023 District Convention is included with the newsletter. The bid form must be received by the District Governor 30 days prior to the start of the 2022 district convention.

Hall of Fame Nomination Form – The form to nominate a deserving Lion for induction into the District Hall of Fame is included with the newsletter. The nomination form must be received by the District Governor 30 days prior to the start of the 2022 district convention.

2022-2023 2nd Vice District Governor Position – Any Lion interested in serving as part of the district governor leadership team for the 2022-2023 Lions year must make that interest known to the District Governor 30 days prior to the start of the 2022 district convention. Interest can be shown by completing the District Governor Candidate form included with this newsletter.

District 37 Club Officer Training Videos

All Club officers: Trainer IPDG Mike Collins
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jfiAchdTuik>

Club President: Trainer DG Mike Tobin
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IlyHa-hYzwl>

Club Secretary: Trainer Lion Peggy Tobin
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PdA1Zj0KngM>

Club Treasurer: Trainer Mike Collins
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_E2y2RSeRdA

IDEAS FOR SERVICE PROJECTS

Did you know that Lions who are actively engaged in Service re happier than Lions who are not serving?

Did you know that Happier People live longer?

Moral of the story: let's get busy serving our communities.

But how? How do we serve during restrictions and a pandemic?

While our clubs have had local restrictions to our in-person gathering, our communities continue to need us. Some of our neighbors need us desperately.

New Year's Challenge:

Step 1. Make a plan to serve, to make a difference in your community. You have options:

A: Serve as a club or

B: Serve as an individual

Which ever you choose, serve safely.

Step 2. Select a service activity that meets your community needs and restrictions.

Here are a few ideas that you can adopt to SERVE SAFELY:

FEBRUARY Service Challenge: CHILDHOOD CANCER

-Work with a local restaurant to provide take-out meals to a family whose child is in treatment;

-Drop off a casserole or meal for a family as above;

-Call a grandparent who is worried about a child in treatment and just be a listening ear for them;

-Reach out to family and friends and set a fundraising goal for a donation to LCIF in support of children's cancer services;

-Donate plasma – children with leukemia need plasma as well as blood on a regular basis;

Step 3. Report your service to your Lions Club Secretary. Follow-up and thank your fellow Lions for making sure your service is reported to MyLion.

PLAN ON SUCCESS: LCI 2021-2022 GLOBAL PRIORITIES

Membership Growth and Engagement: The growth of our association means we're always ready to serve. To grow, we must not only bring in new members, we must also keep our current Lions engaged and active.

Support Our Foundation: We are in the final year of our most ambitious giving campaign ever, Campaign 100. The generosity and support of LCIF is empowering our service around the world, and bringing hope.

Compassionate Service: As communities around the world seek to find a sense of normalcy once again, Lions have a new and great opportunity to lead by example. We can help the world recover in this time when so many are still struggling. We must keep up our innovative service efforts.

Communication: Transparency and open lines of communication are essential to great service, and therefore have always been key to Lions clubs. We must continue to focus on our connections to one another, those we serve and the organizations that support u

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CLUB QUALITY INITIATIVES

Important and valuable tools and resources are available to help your club achieve their goals:

Club Quality Initiative (CQI): A strategic planning tool that helps clubs identify opportunities for improvement. By understanding our current operations identifying areas that may be improved and taking measured steps to accomplish your goals your club can be even better. Contact: clubqualityinitiatives@lionsclubs.org

Club Excellence Award: This resource serves as your club's road map to excellence, focusing on the key elements of a quality club: membership, service organizational excellence and marketing. For more information contact LCI via email: clubexcellenceaward@lionsclubs.org

Service Reporting: Report your clubs service activities in MyLion. Visit the Service Reporting webpage to find resources to assist your club.

Facebook: If your club is using Facebook visit Improving Lions Club Quality to find helpful information from Lions around the world.

WEBSITES

Visit the district website at www.montanalions.org to find a wealth of valuable information regarding almost every aspect associated with the operation of the district.

LCI website, lionsclubsinternational.org Look for: general information, service projects, membership, club improvement, online training, media and news releases, and LCIF.

The Montana Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation website: www.mtlionsshfnd.org
Information regarding programs and sight, hearing and/or speech impairments.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Sdornfeld51@gmail.com

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District Secretary/Administrator; PDG Dennis Kopitzke, Box 1266, Forsyth, 59327; 406-346-1488; 406-853-8695; djk_7491@rangeweb.net

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES:

March

Bozeman Lions Club	03/18/1954
Plentywood Lions Club	03/10/1986
Polson Lions Club	03/28/1967
Red Lodge Lions Club	03/03/1947
Sidney Lions Club	03/01/1971

IMPORTANT DATES

March

- Mar. 11 Lions Day at the United Nations
- Mar. 11-13 ALLI – Mumbai, India
- Mar. 26-28 ALLI = Calgary, Alberta

April

- Environmental Awareness Month
- Family and Friends Month
- LEO Awareness Month

- Apr. 23-25 LCI Board of Directors Meeting, Kona, Hawaii
- Apr. 29-30 District Convention, Great Falls
- Apr. 30 World Wide Induction Day
- May 1 District Cabinet Meeting, Great Falls

District Convention: April 29 & 30, Great Falls

DISTRICT CONVENTION MEMORIAL SERVICE

PDG Jim Johnke and PDG Melody Whitcher
Winnett Lions Club

We are the chairs for the Memorial/Necrology Service at the District's 2022 Convention to be held in Great Falls, April 29 & 30. During the service we will be recognizing deceased Lions. During the Memorial Service will be asking a club or family member to assist by receiving a memorial rose.

In securing information about Lions who have passed between April 2021 – March 2022 we are asking for your help. Please take a few minutes to complete this form and return it to us prior to April 1, 2022. Also, presidents and secretaries record your club's membership on the www.montanalions.org website

Name of Deceased Lion: _____

Club Name: _____

Number of years as a Lion: _____

Service Projects:

Club Offices Held:

District Offices Held:

Awards:

Completed by: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

NOTE: If possible, please send photo.

Send to: WMEL46@yahoo.com; PO Box 222, Winnett, MT 5908

**Nomination Form
2022 District 37 Hall of Fame**

Must Be Received by the District Governor 30 Days Prior to start of the 2022 District Convention which will start on April 29, 2022.

Date:

Candidate's Name:

Candidate's Address:

Candidate's Phone #:

Candidate's Immediate Family:

Family Addresses:

Sponsor:

Sponsor Contact

Information:

CRITERIA:

Date Candidate joined Lions:

Candidate's current Club:

List of all clubs in which Candidate has held membership:

List Past Club Offices held:

List Current Club Offices:

List District positions held:

List LCI positions held:

List all Lion's awards and honors received:

Is candidate a Life Member of District 37 or LCI? ___ If so, how long?

How many new members has candidate sponsored?

State reasons why you think this member is a worthy candidate for the District 37

Hall of Fame:

List any other information that you feel may be applicable:

Please feel free to include any news articles.

Note: This form/application must be filed with the District Governor at least 30 days before the District Convention.

Additional Comments:

2023 DISTRICT 37 CONVENTION BID FORM

This form must be received by the District Governor, 30 days prior to the current year convention. The approval/non-approval of the bid will be made at the current year district convention.

Please print.

Date of Bid Submission: _____

Bid for Year: _____

Location: _____

Bidding Club(s): If this bid is being jointly made by more than one Lions club, please list all clubs as bidding clubs.

Convention Headquarters: _____

Convention Chairperson: _____

(Note: All correspondence will be sent to the Chairperson)

Chairperson's mailing address: _____

Phone Number: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____

Email: _____

Number of full service Motel Rooms: _____ Meeting Rooms: ____ Campsites: _____

1. Location and seating capacity for the following activities:

Activity	Capacity	Location
Social	()	_____
Business sessions	()	_____
Breakfasts	()	_____
Luncheons	()	_____
Friday Night Social	()	_____
District Governors'	()	_____
Banquet		

2. Attach information on what makes your area attractive as a District Convention site. Please note items of interest in and around your community.

3. Organizational support has been obtained from:

Other Lions clubs: _____

Other clubs: _____

Levels of Government: _____

Chamber of Commerce/Board of Trade _____

Travel and/or Convention Bureau: _____

Other: _____

4. Convention experience of Chairperson and others:

5. Bid submitted by:

Host club(s) _____

Chairperson's signature: _____

Date: _____

6. Attach copy of minutes of club meeting where the motion was passed authorizing this bid.

2023-2024 2nd Vice District Governor Candidate Checklist

This checklist must be completed for each candidate and submitted to the District Governor 30 days prior to the district convention.

Name of Candidate: _____

Name of Candidate's Lions Club: _____

Candidate has submitted sufficient evidence showing that he/she has met the following Requirements:

- Candidate is an active member in good standing of a chartered Lions Club in Good Standing* in his/her single or sub-district.
- Candidate endorsed by his/her Lions Club or a majority of the Lions Clubs in the District.

- Club President: Year Served _____
- Club Board of Directors Two (2) Years Served _____
- District Cabinet (check one)
 - Zone or Region Chairperson Year Served _____
 - Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasurer Year Served _____
- One (1) additional year as a member of district cabinet
Position held: _____ Year Served _____
- With none of the above being accomplished concurrently.

**Please note that if the club has any outstanding dues, the candidate should be notified and provided up until fifteen (15) days prior to the close of credential certification to ensure that his/her club pay outstanding dues.*

I have reviewed this checklist and certify that the candidate listed above has met the requirements for District Governor in accordance with the International By-Laws, Article IX, Section 4.

District Governor

Date

MINUTES
CABINET MEETING – JANUARY 8, 2022

January 9, 2022

Montana District 37 – Cabinet Meeting, January 8, 2022; Townsend, MT; Meeting face to face and via “Zoom”

Attendees in person: DG Michael Tobin, PCC Ben Apeland, PDG Jack Beckman, PDG Dennis Kopitzke, Lion Jon Kimble, Lion Peggy Tobin

Attendees via Zoom: PID Dave Hajny, PCC Dan Krum, IPDG Mike Collins, Lion Marie Hajny, Lion Dave Falcon, Lion Robert Jaquiss

- I. Call to Order by DG Michael Tobin at 1:00 PM
 - a. DG Michael Tobin led the Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. Lion Jon Kimble provided an invocation
 - c. Roll Call
 - d. DG Tobin Opening Remarks – All going well in the district; meetings throughout the district continue be held via Zoom but many clubs are meeting face to face; DG and VDG’s continue to travel and do their club visits
- II. Minutes – October 9, 2021 cabinet meeting minutes; motion PCC Dan Krum, second by Lion Jon Kimble, to approve the minutes. Passed.
- III. Financial Reports – PCC Dan Krum provided the reports. Motion PCC Ben Apeland, second by Lion Jon Kimble to approve the reports. Passed.
- IV. Additions to the agenda
 - a. Meeting related equipment
 - b. Club activities
- V. General Business
 - a. Grants
 - i. Denton (Range Fire) – DG Michael Tobin with help from PDG Lary Garrison will apply for a \$20,000.00 LCIF grant to help the Denton

community; the district is waiting for related information from the Denton Lions Club.

1. Clubs and Lions are encouraged to donate to the Denton Lions Club or the Denton community. The Gallatin Empire Lions Club Foundation donated \$5000.00. A Coutts/Sweetgrass fundraising project raised \$1600.00
 - ii. Laurel (pond area improvements) – The project has been completed. Information is being gathered related to the final paperwork associated with the project
 - iii. Culbertson – Work continues on their pond project; work on the grant is pending, waiting for additional information related to the project
 - iv. LCIF Hunger Grant – Information has been distributed to Montana Lions Clubs and Montana Lions
 - v. Campaign 100 – Campaign 100 is moving into its final stages; clubs and Lions are encouraged to contribute to the campaign
- b. Administrator's Report – District administrator provided the quarterly report; information only, no action required
- d. Club Health Assessment – Many clubs have not paid their international dues. New statements will arrive later in January. DG Tobin will be contacting clubs with outstanding dues and encourage payment. Leadership team will be taking special action by visiting or making contact with clubs suspected of having significant membership issues
- e. Reports – Lion Robert Jaquiss, Zone 1: The Missoula Lions Club has purchased a plusoptix machine and meets regularly; Missoula Southside continues to meet; Missoula Lions Club helped the Missoula Southside Lions Club with vision screening and Missoula Southside "sold out" their supply of Christmas trees; zone clubs continue to work to provide financial support to individuals with a special need; PDG Jack Beckman, North Region: Clubs continue to meet; zone 6 clubs held a well-attended social event; clubs continue to meet; written reports were submitted to the DG from Lion Kathryn Yancey, zone 3 and Lion Raleigh Peck, east region
Lion Raleigh Peck, East Region, work continues on a fishing pond.

- PDG Lary Garrison provided a written report associated with LCIF
- f. Club Visitations – DG Michael Tobin has made 23 visits with 5 pending; 1st VDG Scott Dornfeld has made 21 visits with 7 pending; 2nd VDG Brian Gertiser will have his visits completed by the end of February
 - g. Committee Reports .
 - GLT – Team leader is IPDG Mike Collins. The Leadership Retreat has been re-scheduled for May 6-7 in Helena. A list of possible future attendees will be compiled as district officers make their club visits; Helena. Training for secretaries, treasurers and other officers was held with good attendance. Training sessions will be held at the district convention
 - GST – Nothing new to report
 - GMT – Nothing new to report
 - NAMA – Nothing new to report

VI. Old Business

- a. 2022 District Convention, Great Falls – PDG Jack Beckman provided an extensive convention report. The convention will be held at the Holiday Inn, April 29 and 30. Registration form and related information is pending. Room rates are \$109.00 per night. Call 406-727-7200 and use Code SRL when registering; possible tours include a hydroelectric dam, Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center, Montana School for the Deaf and Blind; 1st IVP Patti Hill will be our international guest; additional details and registration information will be distributed as the information becomes available. The copy of PDG Jack Beckman's convention report is attached to the minutes.

As a prelude to the convention report we want to make the district aware the current COVID situation and economic inflation has made pricing a large concern.

- b. Website Update – The site continues to evolve. It is receiving excellent use.
- c. Club Officer Training - The Leadership Retreat has been re-scheduled for May 6-7 in Helena. A list of possible future attendees will be compiled as district officers make their club visits; Helena. Training for secretaries, treasurers and other officers was held with good attendance. Training sessions will be held at the district convention
- d. Leadership Retreat - The Leadership Retreat has been re-scheduled for May 6-7 in Helena. A list of possible future attendees will be compiled as district officers make their club visits; Helena.

e. Virtual Diabetes Club – No Report

VII. New Business

- a. Incoming DG Training – Training will be similar to last year with the training done virtually later this winter.
- b. 2023 Convention Bid Form – The bid form was sent to Montana Lions via the newsletter and is posted on the district’s website
- c. 2022 Hall of Fame Nomination Form – The form was sent to Montana Lions via the newsletter and is posted on the district’s website
- d. 2023-2024 2nd Vice District Governor Election Process – Information was included in the newsletter and posted on the district’s website. Any Lion interested in serving can also contact DG Michael Tobin for more information
- e. USA/Canada Forum - Information was included in the newsletter and posted on the district’s website. Contact PCC Ben Apeland, benjamin@montana.com for more information, Forum September 17-19, Calgary. Special Note: If traveling to the Forum via car there are special COVID testing requirements for getting into Canada

VIII. Additional Items

- a. Conferencing Equipment – DG Michael Tobin and Lion Marie Hajny have done research on acquiring improved conferencing equipment. It was determined that OWL offers the best equipment to meet the district’s needs. Motion by PID Dave Hajny, second by PCC Ben Apeland to spend approximately \$1700.00 to purchase appropriate equipment. Passed.

The new equipment may help with the interaction between local Lions clubs, their members and district leadership.

Notes: IPDG Mike Collins has prepared and distributed a draft of an officer’s manual. Suggestions for changes are welcome.

Thanks to Lion Angie Wintrow for providing lunch for the Lions attending the meeting in person. Thanks to the American Legion Club for the use of their meeting room.

Next meeting: Sunday, May 1, 2022; 9:00 AM; Holiday Inn, Great Falls

Adjournment, 2:45 PM

Dennis Kopitzke

PDG Dennis Kopitzke, District 37 Administrator/Secretary, January 9, 2022

MINUTES
CABINET MEETING – FEBRUARY 9, 2022

February 10, 2022

Montana District 37 – Cabinet Meeting, February 9, 2022; 7:00 PM; via “Zoom”

Attendees: DG Michael Tobin, 1st VDG Scott Dornfeld, PID Dave Hajny, PCC Ben Apeland, PCC Dan Krum, IPDG Mike Collins, PDG Melody Whitcher, PDG Jack Beckman, PDG Dennis Kopitzke, PDG Lary Garrison, PDG Richard Gessling, Lion Jon Kimble, Lion Charles Keen

I. Call to Order by DG Michael Tobin at 7:03 PM

II. General Business

- a. District Convention – Extensive discussion regarding a registration fee for the district convention. Recommendation from the Great Falls Sunrise convention committee was for a fee of \$90.00.

Estimated convention cost per attendee is \$133.00. Estimated cost of meals on Friday night, Saturday noon and Saturday night is \$87.00. A fee of \$45.00 will be charged for the banquet meal, estimated cost of the meal is \$40.00. Eliminating the estimated cost of a featured speaker, \$15.00, per attendee, would reduce the cost per attendee to approximately, \$118.00.

Last year’s registration fee was \$50.00 with the district paying for the expenses over the \$50.00 per attendee.

Motion by IPDG Mike Collins, second by PCC Dan Krum to charge \$75.00 as the early registration fee and charge \$100.00 for a late registration fee. Passed.

Next meeting: Sunday, May 1, 2022; 9:00 AM; Holiday Inn, Great Falls

Adjournment, 7:33 PM

Dennis Kopitzke

PDG Dennis Kopitzke, District 37 Administrator/Secretary, February 10, 2022

III. Additional Comments

- a. LCIF Grant Requirements – LCIF will now require the District Governor to arrange for a special bank account for each grant. LCIF grant funds will be deposited only in to that account. The District Governor, District Treasurer and club president will be responsible for the funds in that special account. Motion by PDG Lary Garrison second by 1st VDG Scott Dornfeld to approve the LCIF requirement. Passed.
- b. Additional Note on LCIF Grants – The club applies for an LCIF grant, the district cabinet approves the application, when the grant is complete the district governor provides the final signature and acknowledgement that the grant has been completed.
- c. Leader Dog – A representative from Leader Dog will be available for making a presentation at the convention
- d. Memorial Service – PDG Melody Witcher and PDG Jim Johnke will make arrangements for the memorial service to be held at the convention.