

DISTRICT 5NE Meeting
Lions State Convention
October 25th, 2008 at 8:45 Am

- A. Meeting called to order at 8:45 am by DG Duane.
- B. Pledge to the flag
- C. Appointment of Secretary and Parliamentarian.
 - Lion Robert Littlefield, Parliamentarian
 - Secretary 5NE Secretary Pat Roundy
- D. Announcements
 - Discussion will be limited because of a short time frame.
 - Cell phones please be turned to silence or turned off.
- E. Seating of Delegates 33 delegates and a majority is needed to pass.
- F. Introduction of Guests: Past International Director Bruce Schwartz and International Director Patty Hill. PID Bruce Schwartz explained the plan to redistrict.
 - The plan we are voting on today :
 - a) Saskatchewan will amalgamate into 2 districts from 4.
 - b) North Dakota 3 districts will continue to recruit new members this year with a target of a new gain of 75 members in each of 2 or the 3 districts by March 31st, 2009. If not successful, ND will divide 5NC in half to create an east district with 5NE and a west district with 5NW.
 - c) South Dakota will work co-operatively to ring 5SW up to full district status...thus keeping the 2 districts intact.
- G. **Voting on re-districting**. 33 delegates voted and a 2/3 majority was needed to pass this motion. The vote was unanimous (33-0) in favor of the Re-Districting motion.
- H. Voting on Memorandum of understanding to amend the bylaws. **This will be voted on at the State Meeting from 3:15 to 5:00 pm.**
 - The annual per capita dues beginning with 2008-2009 from \$3.00 to \$4.00 to subsidize the North Dakota Lion.
 - \$1.00 to provide financial aid for the State Lions Convention.
 - From .25 to .50 to provide funds to support the ND Lions Hall of Fame.
- I. Discussion on various topics:
 - Mandan Lions presented an update on the 2009-2010 Lions Convention in Mandan and urged the Lions to pick up registration forms at their hospitality room. The Convention Center will be at the Mandan Seven Seas on October 30th & 31st.
 - Extension Workshop: DG Duane updated Lion members about this workshop and asked Lion members if they could come to help for a day or more with this workshop. The workshop will be held on November 3-6 and be headquartered in Fargo. We will extend Lions Clubs in Casselton & Mayville-Portland.
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- PDG Katherine spoke on the UND November 20th Charter Night for UND Campus Lions Club and invited everyone to attend this event. Katherine introduced UND Campus Club president, Steph Windish.
 - PDG Katherine presented the nomination of Lion Robert Littlefield as VDG of 5NE. The district confirmed this nomination.
 - “Rookie Lion” award. DG Duane encouraged clubs to use this award.
 - Appointment of one member to the ND Lions Foundation board of directors and one board member to the ND Eyebank board of directors. They meet 4 times a year and they meet on the same day in Bismarck. 3 year term, 3 members from each district and the DG and VDG serve on the board. 15 total members serve on the board.
 1. Nominated to the ND Lions Foundation board is PDG John Dobbs from the Fargo Lions Club. Nominated by a unanimous vote.
 2. Nominated to the ND Eye bank board was Tracy Wicken from the Grand Forks and Mark Jensen from Fargo. After a vote of delegates was taken, Tracy was elected by a majority of votes.
- J. Award for PDG John Dobbs: A plaque was given to IPDG John Dobbs to thank him for the outstanding he did as last years District Governor.
- K. Honor Flight: Katherine reported on the Grand Forks and Bismarck Honor Flight which is being organized/planning stage and they are in need of volunteer help to host, pushing wheelchairs, guiding, doing whatever to make the WWI Veterans as comfortable as they can be.
- L. Leadership (Lion Robert Littlefield) Two leadership recognition opportunities will take place this year: One for an outstanding female member and one for an outstanding young club member. Recognition luncheons will take place to honor outstanding women and young members in our clubs. The **Spring Leadership Rally “Leadership Express”** will be April 4th in Valley City. Lion Roberts encouraged a large attendance at this rally. This will be a very different Leadership program then has ever been done before in our state.
- M. Lion Al Kalbaugh nominated Lion Robert Littlefield to the position of VDG elect for 2009-2010. 2nd by Katrina Wendel. Lion Wayne called for a unanimous ballot to be cast for Lion Robert. Motion Passed. Lion Al Kalbaugh moved to nominate VDG Wayne Westland to the position of DG elect for in 2009-2010. Seconded by Lion Katherine Tweed. A unanimous ballot cast and motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted by Pat Roundy,
5NE Secretary.