

ABILENE CACTUS LIONS CLUB
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 5, 2010

The Board Meeting was called to order at 6:33 P.M. at Dean Baird's Office, 1766 South Clack Street, Abilene Texas. Members in attendance: 1 Year Director Lion Tena Andrews, Club President Lion Bob Nelson, PDG/Treasurer Hal Griffin, First Vice President Lion David Scott, 2 Year Director Lion Dean Baird, Second Vice President Lion Boyd King, and Club Secretary Irene Grant. The minutes from the previous board meeting were passed out and read by Irene Grant and are to be posted on the Cactus Lions web site for member review. Lion Hal Griffin made a motion to accept the minutes and this was seconded by Lion Tena Andrews. The motion carried.

The treasurer's report for the previous month was presented by PDG Hal Griffin and discussed by the Board and members present. Lion Tena Andrews made a motion to accept the minutes, which was seconded by Lion Boyd King. The motion carried.

The past spaghetti supper was reviewed by the board. About three-fourths of the amount of meat procured is to be obtained next year to minimize excess. Approximately \$ 400 was spent on meat, but it was of a higher quality than the year before. The amount of bread purchased was just enough. Different approaches to successfully selling/disposing of any excess food next year were discussed at length and a method of storing and freezing excess food after the spaghetti supper is to be found and utilized. Ticket sales at the door were minimal, which emphasizes the importance of members getting involved to sell these prior to the supper.

The Board reviewed the nominees for officers for the 2010-2011 period and June 17th was tentatively agreed upon by the Board as the date for the Installation Dinner. Lion Dean Beard volunteered to get with Golden Corral to determine if that date is viable.

PDG Hal Griffin brought forward two expenditure items for the Board to consider that are not in the current budget: A \$ 100 donation to the tissue and eye bank's endowment fund. Hal Griffin brought forward the motion to make this donation, which was seconded by Lion Tena Andrews. The motion carried. \$ 100 to the Melvin Jones Memorial project in Arizona. The work is to be performed by volunteers but the project needs funds for materials. Lion Irene Grant made a motion in favor of this donation, which was seconded by Lion Tena Andrews. The motion carried.

Hal Griffin also reminded the board of its budgetary commitment to donate \$ 750 in club funds to train nurses to go to Africa and help female victims of AIDS. The original project for which the funds had been set aside never materialized, but Hal knows of a mission in the Congo that is carrying on this work. No budget approval was required since the funds are already in place. The motion was made by Lion David Scott to make this donation to the party suggested by Hal Griffin, which was seconded by Tena Andrews. The motion carried.

PDG Hal Griffin informed the Board that District 2E-1 is increasing its dues by \$ 3.00 per year per member. \$ 1.00 of this amount is to be designated for scholarships and \$ 2.00 are to go into the general fund for conference and other expense increases.

The eyeglass project was discussed by the Board. Lion Hal Griffin stated that Lion Sandy Griffin is making use of two eye doctors at this time who will provide free glasses for adults with Lion Sandy taking the responsibility of screening all applicants. Lenses for children are to be provided by Lenscrafters. The Club budgeted \$ 2,000 for children's glasses and so far \$ 1,200 has been spent.

The meeting adjourned at 7:29.

Prepared by Irene M. Grant, Club Secretary

The Board reviewed the pros and cons connected with this year's spaghetti supper. Lion Boyd King stated that there was a large amount of spaghetti and sauce left over with no freezer space to store it. The Salvation Army was contacted but due to this being a last minute food donation they were not able to accept it. As a result, the extra food had to be discarded. Arrangements will have to be made ahead of time for next year's Supper to be sure freezer space is available and/or any excess food can readily be donated to the Salvation Army or another worthy organization. Lion Irene Grant stated that her efforts to obtain entertainment for the Supper were unsuccessful since her leads either already had other commitments or required payment for their performance. She told the board that she will be starting to work on that over the next few months and also discuss the matter with Lion Lou Voit and obtain his assistance. She also mentioned that possibly one of the better known performers would be willing to help out. Lion Boyd King brought up that the Club needed to be careful in this regard. People tend to linger excessively during a really good performance and this could create problems with table space. Lion Beth Davis voiced disappointment in the media coverage of the Spaghetti Supper.

Club President Bob Nelson reminded everyone present of the Region Meeting this Thursday, March 4th, at Amanda's. Those who wish to have dinner should be there by about 6:15 P.M. The meeting itself will begin at 7:00 P.M.

Meeting adjourned at 7:19 P.M.

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