



## Lions International District 2-S2

1<sup>st</sup> Cabinet Meeting 2020-2021

July 18, 2020 via GoToMeeting

**“United in Kindness and Diversity”**

**#perfectvision2020 #letsgo**



### MEETING MINUTES

#### ATTENDEES:

District Governor (DG) Bonita Davis	Lion Carol Barnett
IPDG Tony Austin	Lion Diana Risha
First VDG (FVDG) Lisa Martin	Lion Elaine Montgomery
Second VDG (SVDG) Paul Moore	Lion Duane Meyer
PDG Chuck Martin	Lion Eric Raines
PDG Karl Johnson	Lion Sara Coots
Lion Jane Johnson	Lion Neil Lander
PDG Noah Speer	Lion Mark Patterson
Lion Syd Waldman	Lion Nancy Chesbro
Lion Minette Chiu	Lion Tina Thien-An Nguyen
PDG Chris Moorman	Lion Kesha Anderson Reeves
PDG Mark Roth	Lion Leslie Taylor
PDG Richard Reynolds	Lion Mazher Poonawala
Lion Marla Reynolds	Lion Suzie Vestal
Lion Judy Champion	Lion Michael Halbach
Lion Eme Nisnisan	Lion Vanese Berry
Lion Bob Martin	Lion Stedman Douglas
Lion Lucy Gonzales	Lion Patti Dugan

Special Guests:

PCC Ernesto “TJ” Tijerina and Lion Juanita Tijerina

The meeting was called to order by District Governor (DG) Bonita Davis at 9:00 am.

Before the meeting proceeded, PDG Chuck Martin moved that all tail twisting funds collected during this meeting be donated to Texas Lions Camp. Lion Syd Waldman seconded. Everyone was in favor. Motion was carried.

Invocation was led by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Lisa Free-Martin.

Pledge to the U.S. and Texas Flags was led by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Paul Moore.

Everyone sang “God Bless America”.

## **OPENING REMARKS BY THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR**

1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Lion Lisa Free-Martin introduced District Governor Lion Bonita Davis. DG Bonita happily welcomed everyone in attendance. It is her distinct joy and honor to be the District Governor of 2-S2. Talking about titles, she said that we are all lions serving together, our titles just designate the different things that we do and she wants to be called Lion Bonita. She thanked everyone for electing her as the district governor. She mentioned LCI President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi's theme "United in Kindness & Diversity", which was based LCI Presidential theme last year. As a state, our theme is "Moving Forward Together", which is also based on IPDG Tony Austin's theme "Moving Texas Forward". We will continue the things that the previous leadership was doing. We need to grow our membership, serve more people, and build more leaders. She talked about the different outreach missions most Lions go to like PDG Karl & Lion Jane Johnson who goes on a mission every year, as well as 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Paul & Lion Karen Moore in Guatemala. She talked about how the Conroe Noon Eyeglass Recycling Plant has helped so many people around the world as she shared her experience in an outreach she did in Mexico. She also talked about how she came up with the district's theme for 2020-2021. The first part of her theme is #perfectvision2020 and the second part is #letsgo Hashtags are trending right now on social media. She is looking forward to a great year not just for District 2-S2 but the MD-2 Moving Forward Together. She talked about membership growth and serving even more people during her term.

## **ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

A quorum was established by Cabinet Secretary Lion Minette Chiu.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - 4<sup>TH</sup> CABINET MEETING 2019-2020**

2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Lion Paul Moore made a motion to approve the minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting. 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lion Lisa Free-Martin seconded. Motion was carried. The minutes was approved unanimously by all the officers.

As a reminder, PDG Chris Moorman made a comment that only the officers of the district shall be allowed to vote on any motion: District Governor, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor, Regional Chairpersons, Zone Chairpersons, Cabinet Secretary, Cabinet Treasurer, Immediate Past District Governor, Directors of the TLC, Trustees of the Lions Eye Bank of Texas, Directors of the Lighthouse of Houston, Directors of the Humanitarian Relief Fund. PDG Mark Roth clarified that everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate in cabinet meetings but only the elected officers can vote on issues regarding cabinet business.

## **REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER**

Lion Syd Waldman reported that last year's financial has been posted on our website for approval. PDG Chuck stated the financials will be submitted for audit. There is no need for motion or approval. There was no discussion regarding the financials. Lion Judy Champion asked who is going to do the audit. PDG Chuck stated that Lion Don Landers is working with two separate companies and is trying to get the best price.

Lion Syd Waldman stated that the budget for the current lion year was published on the website. PDG Chuck briefly discussed the budget. Some expenses were eliminated due to the cancellation of the International Convention in Singapore and USA-Canada Forum. There is a balanced budget on the administrative account for the current year. The budget was based on 1,533 members as of June 30, 2020. There was a discussion regarding increasing the dues to have a balanced budget and reserve for the long term. 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Paul Moore said that he hopes that we will be able to increase membership to achieve this. PDG Chuck said that there is nothing we can do until the next district convention in April because the dues increase needs to be included in the ballot. Lion Syd Waldman suggested to begin thinking about some dues increase for the following year. After a brief discussion, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Paul Moore made a motion to approve the budget as presented. Lion Diana Risha seconded. The budget for this year was approved unanimously.

PDG Chuck Martin reported on the financials for the Foundation. During the fiscal year, the foundation received \$11,220, expenses in the amount of \$442.83, net profit of \$10,777.00. PDG Chuck said that the foundation needs to meet sometime soon so that they can update the officers for banking resolution. PDG Chuck will file the N-990.

Lion Syd Waldman read the Banking Resolution (copy attached). PDG Karl Johnson moved for approval of the Banking Resolution as read and seconded by PDG Richard Reynolds. There was no discussion. Motion was carried. The Banking Resolution was approved unanimously.

PDG Chuck Martin reported that at the end of the fiscal year, there are seven (7) clubs who have not paid their dues and/or 100% charity contribution. He asked what the cabinet want to do since LCI posted on their website that there will be no suspension on any club for nonpayment of dues due to the COVID-19. The total outstanding balance is \$1,317.00 as of year-end. Second VDG Paul also added that he received a report from LCI that there are eight (8) clubs who have 90-day plus overdue with LCI. We need to inform these clubs that if they have not paid their dues by December, they will lose their charter. Lion Syd Waldman suggested to send them invoices and give them until December to pay all their outstanding and current dues to remain in good standing. SVDG Paul also reported that there are 15 clubs who have not reported their officers so we do not know their contact information. District Governor Bonita Davis stated that she has a plan for one of the seven (7) clubs. We need to salvage those 7 clubs but they also need to pay what they owe. Lion Syd stated that he and PDG Chuck will work together on clubs with outstanding dues. PDG Chuck said that letters were sent to the previous officers of those clubs with a note that if they are not the current officers, to update their officers contact info on LCI. Lion Syd also suggested to implement an electronic form of payment for clubs who does not want to write checks.

(Correction by DG Bonita, the secretary also needs to sign the Banking Resolution.)

## **REPORT OF FIRST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR**

Lion Lisa Free-Martin greeted the panel saying that it was nice to see everyone's shining faces. She thanked and congratulated DG Bonita Davis. She gave a brief speech on what she plans to do for this lion year. She is so humbled with any new role that she starts. Her top priority for this year is to

support District Governor Bonita Davis and the district's goals. She also said that this is a year of education for her – learning from the resources provided by LCI and Lions University, from the council chairs, learning how others have been successful, learning more from people who know more. She is a firm believer in learning from those who went before her - from the past district governors, as well as from the past and current international family and she is so thankful that they are willing to share their wisdom. We can learn so much from one another. She talked about how successful activities and successful service projects are easy to celebrate and easy to replicate. The challenge sometimes in learning is learning from the things that did not go so well. She wants to learn from everyone. Service is something that is near and dear to her heart. Service is what fuels the Lions fire. That is what makes us to stay motivated. As we help move forward together, she wants to know more about each club and what drives their passion. She wants to challenge everyone to fuel your fire with service, dedication and most of all, kindness.

## **REPORT OF SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR**

Lion Paul Moore thanked the district for electing him as second vice district governor. It is an honor to serve and he hopes that he has made a good impact in the three years of serving the district as a cabinet officer and that he can continue to provide service to each club and the district. He thanked DG Bonita Davis and 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lisa Free-Martin for their willingness to show him the ropes. One of the things that he learned during his council meeting is that we will have different battles each time and we must learn how to pick our fights.

## **ZONE CHAIR REPORTS**

ZONE L-1 - VACANT (The Woodlands, Houston Aldine, Houston Fil-Am, Houston Founder, Houston Heights, Houston Ladies, Houston, Houston Midwest, Houston Millennium, Houston Royal Oaks, Houston Sports, Houston Spring Branch, Houston Veterans, Houston Montrose)

This position is still vacant. PDG Richard Reynolds asked if The Woodlands is really included in this zone. DG Bonita will review the clubs to be included in this zone.

### ZONE I-2 – PDG RICHARD REYNOLDS

(Conroe, Cut-N-Shoot, Houston CyFair, Huntsville, Klein, Magnolia, Montgomery, Lake Conroe, Panorama, South Montgomery County, Tomball, Willis)

PDG Richard Reynolds reported that there are two (2) clubs that have not turned in their officers and this will be his top priority. He plans to continue the things that Lion Marla Reynolds did last year. Zone meetings will be held at his house to promote camaraderie between the clubs. He also plans to bring back the club visitation contest, which the district did in previous years, within the zone. He thinks that this will promote camaraderie and will engage clubs in doing service projects together.

### ZONE O-3 - VACANT

(Anahuac, Barbers Hill, Baytown, Deer Park, Houston Southwest, Nassau Bay, Pasadena )

#### ZONE N-4 – LION NANCY CHESBRO

(Brookshire /Pattison, Cinco Ranch, Hempstead, Houston Memorial, Houston Northwest, Katy, Prairie View A&M, Houston Westbury, Waller)

Lion Nancy Chesbro reported that there is not much activity in her zone since June. Four (4) of the clubs in her zone are having some trouble reporting their officers in LCI so that the dues statement can be properly sent.

Katy Lions Club - Katy Lions have a new website, a new Facebook page and a phone number which can reach four of their officers and leave a message so that those officers can call them back. Each of their members also have their own Katy Lions email address. Their new 2<sup>nd</sup> VP/secretary/communications director/new member, Lion David Greene, is taking them in a whole new level in terms of technology. Lion Nancy thanked PDG Mark Roth for installing their new officers on Thursday night. The Katy Leo Club is having their officers' installation virtually on Sunday. They are working on their library book drive for the Great Minds Library and the books can be dropped off at the Morning Star Storage Facilities on Hwy 90, Greenhouse, and Hempstead.

According to LCI, membership in her zone has not changed at 170 members at the present time. Lion Nancy was also nominated by one of their leos for the Leo Club Advisor Outstanding Service Award. She thanked the Katy Leos for nominating her and the district for all the support.

#### ZONE S-5 – LION SAVANNAH ARDOIN (Cleveland, Crosby, Dayton Noon, Hardin, Huffman, Humble, Humble Noon, Kingwood, Liberty, Twin City)

Since Lion Savannah Ardoin was not present, DG Bonita Davis reported briefly on some of the clubs on her behalf.

Humble Noon LC is very active averaging around 80 screening and turning in 300 eyeglasses for recycling each month. They also have service animals for the elementary kids before the school lockdown to help with the mental and emotional issues that the elementary kids deal with.

Dayton Noon LC will have the same set of officers from last years. They had a physical Meeting last June. They are helping the community as individuals.

Crosby LC - PDG Albert Baker is unable to serve as district leo chair because of the great work he is doing with the leos in Crosby. He has started a new club in Pasadena but he will be working very closely with Lion Liesa Hackett and Lion Savannah Ardoin on Leos and cyber chat club.

Liberty LC is very active with their flag service program and scholarships that they are able to give to their students. Their Leo Club's schedule has been planned for the year and it is posted on The Vindicator.

Cleveland LC is also very active. They fall under the Liberty County.

Kingwood LC – Kingwood High School received \$103,000 grant for reconstruction last year with the help of IPDG Tony Austin.

Hardin LC was awarded the Reader’s Choice Award for The Vindicator and as the Civic Club of the Year. DG Bonita commended Lion Savannah Ardoin for a great job. Hardin Lions Club has transitioned their in-person meetings into cyber meetings. They are also very involved with Knights of Prevention and Education (KOPE), in which our district is also involved. There will be a suicide prevention web offer next Saturday at 7:00 that is not promoted by Hardin Lions Club but District 2-S2. The District is also having an in-house technical training for both youth cyberchats and cyber clubs.

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## **DIRECTOR/TRUSTEE REPORTS**

### TEXAS LIONS CAMP - IPDG TONY AUSTIN AND LION BOB MARTIN

PDG Karl Johnson made a clarification that technically, the Lions Camp Directors are still PDG Rick Reynolds and himself since Lion Bob Martin will not be sworn-in until the first camp meeting on August 1<sup>st</sup>. PDG Karl reported that the golf tournament is still on and the camp board meeting will be done electronically. There will be more updates later. The Texas Lions Camp’s Summer Program (TLC2U) has been going on. TLC had a unique and creative ways for the kids to attend camp this year. All their different activities can be seen on YouTube. Packages for different projects were sent to the campers so that they can participate in activities such as zip lining, talent shows, which were also opened for other Lions and kids all over the world to see. He will keep us posted as things progress. IPDG Tony Austin commended TLC for an outstanding job. They were able to put things together so professionally in such a short time. PDG Rick Reynolds also commended TLC for a huge success in this year’s camp program. He thinks that virtual camp will be the new normal for TLC in the next months or years because of the current situation.

Lion Bob Martin talked about the Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament. Clubs with funds allocated to the Texas Lions Camp are asked that donations be made through the golf tournament because donations will be matched up to \$100,000 through James Avery Artisan Jewelers. Lion Bob is hoping that there will be a Bob Dowden Dinner this year, which will probably be virtual. New and exciting sponsorship opportunities for clubs are still being discussed. He looks forward to the club visitations to present these opportunities. Lion Bob Martin will be participating in the Polar Bear Challenge Fundraiser on January 1<sup>st</sup>. He and other people will take a plunge into the river. Funds raised will go to the camp. PDG Karl Johnson added that those participants who will post their videos on our website will be exempted from fines for two (2) meetings.



CAMPER TRANSPORTATION – LION STEVE HAND

Lion Steve is not on the call. DG Bonita is very happy and thankful that Lion Steve has agreed to chair the Camper Transportation

THE LIGHTHOUSE OF HOUSTON – PDG EDDIE RISHA & LION ELAINE MONTGOMERY

Lion Elaine attended a virtual special board meeting. The CEO has retired due to illness and Bryan Neely was elected as interim to take her place. They are actively looking for a permanent replacement. All activities were put on hold due to COVID-19 and all meetings are virtual. Activities will resume as soon as the situation gets a little more relaxed. pandemic is over and they will need volunteers.

LIONS EYE BANK OF TEXAS – LION MAHZER POONAWALA

Lion Mahzer reported that no meeting has been held. Their first meeting is scheduled on Monday at 6 pm.

HUMANITARIAN RELIEF FUND – LION DIANA RISHA, LION PAUL YACKLEY & LION BECCA FRANCO

Lion Diana Risha reported that funds have been depleted quite a bit this year. We need to be cautious on how we spend the funds this year. Lion Paul Yackley has no report. According to PDG Chuck, HRF was raised from \$1.00 to \$2.00 per member from the 100% Charity Contribution but even if it was raised, we only have \$3000 based on membership of 1500 that we have at present and that is only equivalent to 2-1/2 grants so we need to be very careful on how we spend the funds. PDG Richard Reynolds suggested that the clubs should be up to date with their dues and 100% contribution to receive HRF grant. PDG Chuck Martin agreed to that suggestion but HRF By-Laws need to be revised because he thinks there are no exclusions at this time. The HRF Committee should get together to change the By-Laws then submit to the Cabinet for approval. Lion Judy Champion commented that the HRF could address the dues issue but she does not think that they will eliminate them due to the 100% contribution because this is voluntary.

(Correction by DG Bonita, it is already in the HRF By-Laws that clubs must meet the 100% charity Contributions designated by the district governor in order to qualify for an HRF grant.)

MD-2 STATE OFFICE AND MUSEUM – IPDG TONY AUSTIN

IPDG Tony reported that the museum has been doing very well and is in use regularly now. They now have a meeting room and a fully equipped office. They have started work on the museum site. They will have a fundraiser and he will discuss about it during club visits so that it will be completed by this year. It is a great facility, very visible in Fredericksburg, and they have an incredible memorabilia which any lion would like to see.

*DG Bonita welcomed and introduced Texas-endorsed candidate for International Director, PCC Ernesto “TJ” Tijerina. Lion TJ congratulated the district and wished everyone a good year. These are trying times for everyone, but he knows that the Lions of 2-S2 can do it.*

## TEXAS LIONS FOUNDATION – PDG RONALD LANDERS

PDG Ron was not able to attend the meeting due to family matters but submitted his report. The TLF Board meeting in August has been cancelled. He has patches to mail to the Clubs that paid their 100% for the 2019-20 Lions Year. He has a TLF Humanitarian Grant Request from a local charity that he and DG Bonita need to discuss. For the TLF Board to approve, either the District or a local club needs to support the grant request by providing some of the funding.

## **DISTRICT CHAIR REPORTS**

### NORTH AMERICAN MEMBERSHIP INITIATIVE (NAMI) - PDG CHUCK MARTIN

The committee was formed in March. They did a swot analysis to figure out where the strengths and weaknesses, opportunities and threats were. They committee developed a plan and it was reviewed with DG Bonita and she agreed with everything that was presented. The NAMI plan is broken down into four (4) focus areas:

1. Rejuvenate the district with new clubs. Their target this year is to have three (3) new clubs:
  - Specialty Clubs – July – September 2020
  - Regularly Chartered Club – October - February
  - Cyber Club – July - November 2020
2. Revitalize clubs with new members
  - Challenge clubs to increase their membership by net 10%. Lion Neil will communicate this to the clubs.
  - Develop district projects. Lion Emee will develop projects to involved current and potential members.
3. Re-motivate the members with new fellowships and exciting service. This will be done in the club level.
  - Lion Neil will conduct an exit interview with any member who wants to drop.
  - Lion Emee will develop projects to involve the members.
  - Develop an interest inventory of all club members
4. Support district and club leaders
  - Develop communication medium
  - Develop on-line training available on district website. Three (3) trainings have already been uploaded on the website: President, Secretary and Treasurer
  - Personal contact

This plan will be posted on the website. DG Bonita clarified that the NAMI goals are the district's goals, not the governor's goals.



### GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM - LION NEIL LANDERS

On NAMI, Lion Neil created an analysis of where the district has been in the last year on various parameters. He rated the clubs with the colors green, yellow and red. As of April, sixty-eight percent (68%) of clubs in the district have 25-plus members. There are seven (7) clubs in the red with less than 15 members. We need to focus some of our resources to membership & retention. Lion Neil will update the data through June. On membership retention, last year, our district lost 20% of members with less than two (2) years of service and 52% of members with less than three (3) years. We are not losing members with 20-plus years of membership. He will try to research more on how we are losing members and retain members. We lost two (2) clubs at the end of the fiscal year: Hobby Airport LC with 22 members and Greenspoint LC. Hobby Airport did a fantastic job supporting the Texas Lions Camp providing golf carts and equipment. There is a possibility of their members joining other lions club. He was able to get the addresses of those members and alerted the clubs closest to them so they can contact those members and invite them to their clubs. He will follow up with them in a week or 2 and he hopes that we will retain those 20 members.

There are about 22 clubs that do not have officers entered on LCI. The clubs need to have the secretary or president identified with their contact information. He will contact those clubs.

He mentioned about the BBQ pit donated by John Dover. PDG Chris Moorman said that Liberty Lions Club will pick up that equipment and appreciated John Dover for the donation.

### GLOBAL SERVICE TEAM – LION EMEE NISNISAN

Lion Emee is thankful and honored to be the global service chairperson. She is still in the process of finding coordinators for Pediatric Cancer and is asking for help. This is a bigger challenge for her because of this pandemic but she will do her best to make our Lions roar. She introduced the following chairpersons for her team:

- DIABETES – LION VANESE BERRY is a pharmacist who also owns a pharmacy and a diabetic herself. She is a certified diabetes educator. Lion Vanese plans to get more information out on diabetes in different languages and in layman terms so that they can have a better understanding on what diabetes really is and its effect on our bodies.
- ENVIRONMENT – LION ERIC RAINES - Lion Eric thanked DG Bonita and Lion Emee for this opportunity. His initial plan is to take a multifaceted approach in environmental initiatives. We need to focus on adaptability and flexibility. We need to be proactive as we can and as responsive as we need to, as dictated by the world around us. He will look for initiatives that the clubs or district or even national can undertake depending on what areas of interest are. He would like to get insights and participation from fellow lions especially those who have the passion in this field. He will have unique and creative solutions to move the district forward.

- HUNGER – LION THIEN-AN (TINA) NGUYEN – Lion Tina is the president of the newest club in the district. She is at the Houston Food Bank at this time with the Houston Unity Lions Club.
- VISION

#### GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM – 2<sup>ND</sup> VDG LION PAUL MOORE

The officer training is done thru LCI. There will be no “in-person” training. He is getting ready for an online presentation. The Guiding Lions certification is also online, and he recommends that all guiding lions be certified. He received an email from LCI welcoming him as a club officer and links are provided for the training on various officer positions. This is a good resource for online training. He also mentioned about mentoring. One of his ideas is to find club mentors. He is gathering information on starting a District 2-S2 Leadership College. The first degree will be an orientation level degree for 3-4 hours and the second level is Advanced Class which will include courses from Lions University and Lions Learning Center. His vision is to be able to teach that class during Mid-Winter Conference. Another idea is a list of club visitations from the service chairs.

HONORARY COMMITTEE – IPDG TONY AUSTIN - No report.

#### MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS - LIONS MARK PATTERSON, EMEE NISNISAN & PATTI DUGAN

DG Bonita thanked IPDG Tony for helping with the transition on the website. Lion Patti Dugan will need the club info. The deadline for submission of articles & announcements is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month and can be emailed to district2s2@gmail.com. Lion Mark Patterson will oversee the district’s social media on our Facebook page and Instagram.

#### CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS – PDG RON LANDERS

PDG Chris Moorman reported on behalf of Lion Ron. Lion Ron have asked PDG Chris Moorman to assist him with the finishing touches on the revised District 2-S2 Constitution and By-Laws. They have taken the LCI Standard Form District Constitution and blended in the items from the Lions District 2-S2 Constitution that are specific to Lions District 2-S2. It has been a long process, but they should have the draft ready for posting to the District Website within the next two weeks. They hope that the Lions of District 2-S2 will read and make recommendations. They would like to bring the final draft to the 2nd Cabinet meeting for discussion and hopefully a vote to place it on the ballot at the 2021 District Convention.

#### RETENTION COMMUNICATION STRATEGY – PDG MARK ROTH

Lion Mark thanked our NAMI Champion, PDG Chuck Martin, for doing a great job. He stated that we are losing many Lions. We are plus 5 in membership this year with Conroe Noon, Hardin, and Magnolia bringing in the members. Membership satisfaction is key and doing service is the secret to satisfying those members. He mentioned strategies on how to make the members more motivated and engaged. We need to identify Lions who can serve as guiding lions and getting good mentors for these new clubs.

### STATE NEW VOICES CHAIRPERSON – LION LUCY GONZALES

Lion Lucy is excited to be the new voices in the MD-2. She is working on different projects that will be beneficial not only for our district but other districts in the area.

### CONVENTIONS & MID-WINTER CONFERENCE – DR. ANTHONY PRICE

The convention will be held in Conroe. PDG Chris Moorman announced that USA-Canada Forum has been cancelled. Those who have registered can get a refund or have their registration rolled over into next year's event. The International Convention will be held in Montreal. Hopefully the pandemic will be over by that time so that we can all go and vote for PCC TJ for our International Director.

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH – LION SARA COOTS & LION DANYELLE MORRIS

Conroe Noon Lions Club has lost a new Lion, Annie Burnett, and Lion Sara will be attending the funeral. She reported that three students from our district competed in the state finals. The district won two (2) awards: 1<sup>st</sup> place in Diabetes Awareness Essay, Anuska Santra, sponsored by Tomball Lions Club and 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Drug Awareness Speech, Kayla Hadash, sponsored by Conroe Noon Lions Club. They were awarded \$3000 and \$2000, respectively. Our Outstanding Youth contestant, Brandon Fahrenfort, was not able to compete because his parents elected not to send him to state due to underlying health issues. Lion Sara thanked DG Bonita for finding a vice chairman for her. She has already prepared her slide presentations and ready to send out to the clubs. She is just waiting on the topics from MD-2. Since most of the clubs are unable to hold their fundraisers due to the COVID-19, she will need the help of the zone chairs to identify which clubs have enough funds set aside for scholarships. She and Lion Danyelle Morris will work together and do a presentation to those clubs. She hopes that the clubs who supported this scholarship last year will continue to support this year.

### ALERT – LION KEVIN SMITH

Lion Kevin is new to ALERT but not new to crisis management. There are other things that we need to be alerted to and COVID-19 is one of them. He is coordinating with the state to find out the guidelines they have and with the local authorities... He will contact the clubs and identify their needs.

### HEARING, SPEECH, & WORK WITH THE DEAF – LION EMEE NISNISAN

DG Bonita stated that Lion Emea will work on this until we find someone else for this position.

### EYEGLOSS COLLECTION – LION TIM COX

### KOPE YOUTH CYBERCHATS/CYBER CLUBS – LIONS LIESA HACKETT, MARK PATTERSON, & SAVANNAH ARDOIN

Please go to the Website and Facebook page. There are applications to begin the training.

### HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE – PDG TONY BRADDICK

HISTORIAN – LION MINETTE CHIU - No report.

TAIL TWISTERS – PDG KARL JOHNSON & LION BOB MARTIN

LION TAMER – LION KEN HARRISON

Lion Ken was recognized for doing an excellent job.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS - Lion Syd Waldman deferred to PDG Chuck Martin. PDG Chuck has no amendments.

RESOLUTIONS. None

OLD BUSINESS - IPDG Tony would like to know if we can resolve to accept the final report of the LCIF grant so that we can submit it to LCIF. Lion Syd Waldman moved to accept and approve all documents for the COVID-19 Frontliner Healthcare Relief Task Force Applications and Forms to be submitted to LCIF as complete. PDG Richard Reynolds seconded. The COVID-19 Frontliner Healthcare Relief Task Force Application and Forms has been unanimously approved. Motion was carried.

PDG Karl Johnson is thankful to PCC Ernesto “TJ” and Lion Juanita Tijerina for coming on board. Lion Juanita commended the district for a great meeting. DG Bonita Davis also thanked PCC TJ and Lion Juanita. The district is honored to have them grace the 1<sup>st</sup> Cabinet Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS. None

CLOSING REMARKS -

DG Bonita is thrilled with the team that we have in District 2-S2. She reiterated the lion year’s social media hashtags: #2s2cares, #perfectvision2020, #letsgo. KOPE is scheduled on 08/11. She also thanked IPDG Tony Austin for his continued support and thanked everyone for their attendance.

The winners for the draw for today’s meeting are: 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Paul Moore, Lion Jane Johnson, and Lion Lucy Gonzales.

PDG Mark Roth thanked PCC TJ and Lion Juanita for joining us today and for his support for our district. He also thanked everyone for being here this morning.

ADJOURNMENT

DG Bonita adjourned the meeting at 12:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

*Lion Minette Chiu*

*Cabinet Secretary*

Date: July 24, 2020

Approved by:

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*District Governor Bonita Davis*



## **Lions Clubs International District 2-S2**

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### **BANKING RESOLUTION**

This banking resolution is presented in the normal course of business on Lions Clubs International District 2-S2 (hereinafter referred to as Lions District 2-S2) at its regularly called Cabinet Meeting in Houston, Texas on Saturday July 18, 2020.

Whereas, the duly elected Officers of Lions District 2-S2 (hereinafter referred to as Officers) recognize that their year of fiscal responsibility and authority begins on July 1, 2020 and extends to June 30, 2021; and

Whereas, in order to conduct and facilitate the financial business of Lions District 2-S 2 during their elected term of office, certain Officers elected to serve in the fiscal year 2020-2021 as well as other elected and appointed officers of District 2-S2 serving during that same period of time, must have the authority from any and all financial institutions holding the monies of Lions District 2-S2, to conduct financial and monetary transactions on behalf of Lions District 2-S2 and

Whereas, those officers and those elected and appointed officers of the Lions District 2-S2 who have held such authority in the past should be relieved of that responsibility as a normal and customary part of the annual transition of fiscal responsibility and authority from one body of officers to the next.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the following officers of Lions District 2-S2 be granted fiduciary authority with any financial institution holding monies of the Lions District 2-S2, including funds held in bank accounts, certificates of deposit, or the like, to conduct any financial matters necessary to further the interests of the Lions District 2-S2, (such powers and duties collectively referred to as "Banking Authority") and all financial institutions shall grant the following officers full access to and authority over funds held by that institution in the name of Lions District 2-S2, of any such similar name or title for that organization:

Banking authority granted to District Governor Bonita Davis

Banking authority granted to Immediate Past District Governor Anthony D Austin

Banking authority granted to First Vice District Governor Lisa Free-Martin

Banking Authority granted to Second Vice District Governor Paul S Moore

Banking authority granted to Treasurer Sydney Waldman

AS a consequence of this action, IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the following officers of Lions District 2-S2 shall be relieved of their authority at and over the financial accounts of the Lions District 2-S2 by virtue of their elected term of service having been completed, and there being no reason to have their authority extended beyond the expiration of the elected term:

Banking authority removed from Past District Governor Karl Johnson

Banking authority removed from Treasurer Donald Landers

It is the express desire of the Officers that this Banking Resolution be relied upon by any and all financial institutions holding monies of the Lions District 2-S2, in savings accounts, checking accounts, certificate of deposits, investment accounts, brokerage accounts, or any other like devise, including those institutions holding the monies of the Lions District 2-S2 now and those who may in the future, including but not limited to the following financial institutions: Capital One Bank (account # 00003820741861), JP Morgan Chase Bank (account # 830748521 and 2739988711). Those named above as receiving banking authority shall take all steps necessary to bring about the purposes of this resolution, including the signing of signature cards, the production of identification, and other like requirements of any financial institution holding monies of Lions District 2-S2.

This resolution, having been read in its entirety during the regularly called meeting of the Officers, and there having been made a motion to approve such resolution as presented, and there having been made a second to that motion, and there having been a unanimous vote in affirmation of that motion, was passed and approved on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020, and such action shall be reflected in the minutes at the meeting of the Officers of that date.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
*District Governor*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
*District Treasurer*

Date: July 18, 2020

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