District 26-M2 of the International Association of Lions Clubs Cabinet Meeting Minutes October 6, 2025 Eureka Elks Lodge

Call to order at 6:33pm by District Governor Wally Brumfield.

Pledge was led by 2VDG Lion Phil Karrer (Meramec Heights).

Song was led by Lion Kelly Rackovan (Rock Community).

Prayer was led by 2VDG Lion Phil Karrer (Meramec Heights).

Moment of Silence.

Tail Twister: Motion by 2VDG Lion Phil Karrer to appoint PDG Lion Devin Struttmann (Union), second by Lion Pam Manuel (Pacific). Motion passed. Motion by Lion Tiffany Boyer (Beaufort), second by Lion Pam Manuel (Pacific) to donate the funds to Magdala House Tiny Homes. Motion passed.

Introduction of 1st time Attendees/Guests: Lion Shayla & Lion Ivy (Webster Groves).

Guest Speaker: Monica White, Director of Tiny Homes and Brandi, Case Manager – Great

presentation. Information attached.

Adjourn for dinner: 7:07pm

Restarted meeting after dinner at 7:44pm.

Secretary's Report: Lion Kelly Rackovan submitted secretary report. No corrections or additions were made. Motion by Lion Pam Manuel (Pacific) to accept the report as presented, second by 2VDG Lion Phil Karrer (Meramec Heights). Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Lion Joe Schroeder reported a total balance of \$108,201.51 in all accounts as of October 1, 2025. Almost all dues are in for the first half. No corrections or additions were made. Motion by 2VDG Lion Phil Karrer (Meramec Heights) to accept the report as presented, second by Lion Kelly Rackovan (Rock Community). Motion passed.

Governor Wally Brumfield (House Springs) presented a Certificate of Accomplishment from LCIF to PDG Lion Devin Struttmann (Union).

GLT: PCC Lion George Winkeler (House Springs), no report at this time.

GMT: PCC Lion Joe Foster (Beaufort), no report at this time.

GST: Lion Pam Manuel (Pacific), reported that she couldn't wait to go down to Magdala House Tiny Homes Sunday October 12 for an eye and hearing mission. November 16 is also another eye and hearing mission at St. Peter and Paul, time TBD. She gave out information about October is Mental Health Awareness Month.

GET: PDG Lion Eugene Taylor (Brentwood), no report at this time.

Midwestern Braille Volunteers: PDG Lion Eugene Taylor (Brentwood) no report at this time.

Zone Chairperson Reports called by 2nd VDG Lion Phil Karrer (Meramec Heights):

Club activities. Visited other clubs. Governor Visits scheduled.

Zone 1 Lion Joey Shaw (Hillsboro): Club activities.

Zone 2 Lion Kelly Saultz (Mehlville): Club activities.

Zone 3 Lion Phil Karrer (Meramec Heights): Club activities.

Zone 4 Lion Tiffany Boyer (Beaufort): Club activities. Beaufort Lions have 1 new member and 1 potential member. Gerald Lions have 2 new members.

Zone 5 Lion Ed Manuel (Pacific): Club activities. Eureka Lions is celebrating their 75th Anniversary Nov 8 Noon – 3pm.

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Zone 6 Lion Jeanne Carton (Chesterfield): Club activities. Chesterfield Lions have 1 new member. Kirkwood Lions have 2 new members.

Zone 7 Lion Sandy Halama (Webster Groves): Club activities. Webster Groves have 1 new member.

Committee Reports called by 2nd VDG Lion Phil Karrer (Meramec Heights):

Mid-South Lions Report: PCC Lion Gina Boettcher (Beaufort) Reported for PCC Lion Terry Boettcher (Brentwood) In the Lions Year 2024-2025 the Clubs and the Foundation of District 26M2 donated \$18,920 to Mid-South. The donations, no matter the amount, are much needed and appreciated. As of June 30, 2025 there were 49 patients on the waiting list. 22 cataracts and 27 other surgeries. A special thank you to Overland Lions Club for hosting the Mid-South Meeting in November 14-15. Cataract-A-Thon will be February 2026. Visiting Lions Day, April 10-11, 2026 in Memphis, TN. Cataract-A-Thon June 14, 2026. Thank you for allowing Mid-South and our partners to provide a "Miracle A Day!!".

Conventions: PCC Lion Gina Boettcher (Beaufort) Mark your calendar for March 27-29, 2026 will be the District Convention at Double Tree Westport. The State Convention will be on April 23-26, 2026 in St. Joseph, Missouri.

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum: PCC Lion Gina Boettcher (Beaufort) September 4-6, 2026 in Memphis, TN. Lion Brad Baker is the host chair. Lion Gina is hospitality chair. Help is needed. See Lion Gina. Registration is on line at Lionsforum.org

District Directory: Lion Pam Manuel (Pacific) Every new year with the directory we would like to update names, phone, address and emails. At the state level we would like to add the state GLT, GST and GMT if possible.

LAS – Lions Assistance & Service: Lion Kelly Rackovan (Rock Community) we got a couple more requests for this month and have been sending them out to the clubs to help with eye glasses assistance and hearing assistance. Thank you to all the clubs that helped.

Hearing Committee: Lion Sandy Halama (Webster Groves) I apologize to Hillsboro Lions Club for not being able to get out there on World Service Day, the trailer wasn't being brought in and there wasn't a quiet enough place to have the portables. Hoping next year to be there. I have the new portable screener and we used it at the hearing testing at the Pacific Dept of Corrections Health Fair on September 17th. We screened 14 people with 3 referrals. On October 30th we will provide screening at the St. Louis Transition Center and we will be screening at the Jefferson Spaces – Tiny Homes on October 12th. I have one individual with the application for hearing aids for the completion but no others pending. Received an email today requesting an application. Lastly, I will be attending the annual hearing committee meeting in Fulton, MO on October 19th. More information about sweepstakes soon.

Missouri Lions Eye Mission Foundation: PDG Lion Devin Struttmann (Union) announced they were really busy the last couple of weeks at September 27 at World Sight Day in Hillsboro, October 4 at House Springs for their Eye Mission and both of them where well organized. There is an Eye Mission at St. Peter and Paul that Lion Pam is doing. Everyone is more than welcome to help at any of these Eye Missions. There are others going on in the state also. Eye Mission in Mexico, March 26-29, 2026.

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Missouri School for the Blind: 2VDG Lion Phil Karrer (Meramec Heights) There are still looking for clubs to sponsor some of the kids at the school. Contact Carlie at the school or Lion Phil. Old Business: PDG Lion Devin Struttmann (Union) At the last meeting I asked the Cabinet to approve the final report for the grant for the digital billboard. The Cabinet approved it and then sent it to LCI and they approved it. So, it is closed.

New Business: Nothing at this time.

2nd VDG Closing Remarks: Lion Phil Karrer (Meramec Heights) would like to thank everyone for the support, assistance and patients to allowing me to serve you guys as your 2nd VDG this year. Just keep doing what you are doing, keep on your club secretaries to keep reporting up and help us find some young people that want to move up the ladder, sort of speak. Always looking for Zone Chairs and Committee positions.

1st VDG Closing Remarks: Lion Jeff Rackovan (Rock Community) out sick.

DG Closing Remarks: Lion Wally Brumfield (House Springs) listening to the reports given tonight we are moving along at a pretty good clip. Active with our service. We have to make sure that the service gets reported. So far this year it seems that all the clubs have been active.

50/50: N/A

Gas Money: 3 tickets were drawn. Webster Groves cleaned house.

Tail Twister: \$146.00 was collected for Tiny Homes.

Next GAT Meeting: November 3st at Pacific Lions Club at 7pm. Next Cabinet Meeting: December 1st at Eureka Elks at 6:30pm

Adjourn Meeting: Motion to adjourn at 8:40 pm by 1VDG Lion Phil Karrer (Meramec Heights),

second by Lion Kelly Rackovan (Rock Community).

Respectfully submitted, Lion Kelly Rackovan Cabinet Secretary 2025-2026