

Louisiana Lions Eye Foundation
Quarterly Board Meeting
11 November 2006
Ramada Inn, Houma LA

Call to Order (1:15 PM): Jerry W Harrison, PCC, President

Prayer: George Edwards

Pledge: Leo White PDG

Opening Remarks: Jerry W Harrison

On this Veterans Day we are going to lead the charge of attack on the root causes of blindness with several programs.

You will note visible on the podium is a model truck available for auction later. It was made and donated by Lawrence Morvant.

Report on Low Vision Program: Dr Steve Gill

Our low vision program for patients with Grants from LCIF. First, the funds will be used for education of public on exactly what low vision is. Aggressive marketing campaign via articles in Slidell area news magazine, brochures, links to various websites. Ophthalmologists have been contacted for referrals. We will conduct seminars for aging groups. Later we are planning club visits to spread the word. Patients: we have so far seen about 50 patients with anticipated 500 by end of fiscal year. We will be prescribing individualized devices to patients ranging from \$10 to thousands. Office staff person is available by phone call to answer your questions.

Roll Call: Secretary Michael Kennedy, PCC

Introduction of Guests: MD8 District Governors

Report of Secretary: Secretary Michael Kennedy

Minutes on www.LLEF.info website for your review about 2 weeks before the meeting.

Acceptance of Last Meeting Minutes: Motion: Sharon Williams

Second: Jack Wallace, PCC Motion Carries

Report of Treasurer: George Edwards

Noted auditor's report, and financial report prepared by Bob Williams.

Acceptance of Donations: \$41,053.12

Report of Cub Sight Director: Jeff Robinson

LA Lions do for Cub Sight as only Champions would do. I have seen your faces behind a camera looking at children, sitting at tables reviewing photos, placing smiling stickers on smiling faces working with children in your community to make sure they grow up with full eyesight. Dr Gill can work with you with low vision, but there is little anyone can do if you are already blind. We thank you for your contributions to the Cub Sight program. These kids do not know that they have a problem. Just this last week, we reviewed two children with dense cataracts less than 4 years old. Both were not under the care of a physician. Many times the parents do not know, the school personnel do not know. Only your program tells the story.

We have screened 4,500 children, 204 referred by the end of September. Now by November we are up to 8,000 screened children and families we have touched. Jeff read the list of participating clubs 1st quarter of this fiscal year.: (refer to page 35-37 of Quarterly Report).

Don't loose sight of fact that these families of screened children are potentially Lions Clubs members.

Lafayette Noon Club contribution of \$2000 toward the Cub Sight program.

It is those who drive all over their district to make sure that the children in their areas are screened.

Report of Executive Director: Robert J Eichhorn, ID

Refer Qtly Report Page 6. 436 patients seen during the first qtr
Page 4: Satellite clinic report.

Clinic administration: your staff also handles 27 clinics across state. It is important for the eye chairmen to fully complete the application. Especially, the portion about family income. Social Security numbers, Medicaid, Medicare numbers. Please mention in your district meetings. On the LSU form the family income must be under \$21,000.

Clinics:

L: Leesville, Natchitoches, Ringgold, Ruston, Jonesboro, Mansfield, Coushatta

I: Alexandria, Winnsboro, Pineville, West Monroe, Winnfield, Columbia,

O: Abbeville, Lafayette (2), Opelousas

N: New Roads, Baker, Baton Rouge (2)

S: Houma, New Orleans, Slidell

All surgeries and clinic work needs to be scheduled through the LLEF staff.

Lallie Kemp new contract signed. Lollie Kemp surgeries regular exams, optical center. New Contract: \$0 per patient vs \$65/ patient under old contract. Dr Jones excited about new venture and would like to come to next Board Meeting. Lafayette clinic is now open. Surgeries, exams, optical center. Also surgeries at Independence. Baton Rouge is Dire Emergency only. All appointments to be made through LLEF office ONLY. New Orleans up and running in maybe a year. 1st of year re-entry will not happen; probably a year from now; January 2008. Problem is due to Architectural firm doing plans for reconfiguration and bureaucratic occupancy considerations. Other considerations are surgeries at adjacent clinic. Manpower LSU is a real problem.

Discounts: Hearing aid no discounts \$500. discounts for glasses if you are an indigent patient. If you are over \$20,000 income with insurance, contact the staff.

Please note and inform your Sight Chairmen that Patient Scheduling is not negotiable. Patient must come to appointment as scheduled, they cannot appear at their convenience.

Foundation will be getting a 29 ft mobile screening van from Council on Glaucoma to LSU/ LLEF. LSU provides driver and maintenance, LLEF to provide insurance. Stipend to handle maintenance and fuel is included with van from Council on Glaucoma. Personnel & Properties should monitor age and maintenance costs to determine propitious moment to trade van for a newer one. Good publicity to put van in parades. LSU to provide a clinician & optometrist (perhaps local)

Long Range Planning: Board will be developing a Long Range Strategic plan and policy manual for the board to follow for the next 3, 5, & 10 years. Manual for trustee visitation should also be developed for club visitation.

Special drives for specific donations such as for Low Vision, Cub Sight, etc. The club will receive a knight of sight (for a \$1,000 contribution) when monies designated for one of these special programs.

Announcements:

Meeting tomorrow at Evergreen Hall 4694 w Main (Hwy 24)
Johns Bridge.
Breakfast at 7AM
Meeting starts at 8AM
Should conclude 9:30 AM

Committee Assignments: President J W Harrison

Adjourn to Committees

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Adjourn to Committees

Louisiana Lions Eye Foundation
Board Meeting
November 12, 2006
Evergreen Lions Club

Call to Order: President Jerry W Harrison

Invocation: Ethel Robin, PDG

Pledge of Allegiance: Cesar Fonseca, PDG

Opening Remarks: President Jerry W Harrison

I have Minimal opening remarks. There will be minimal changes to the system but desperately want equal district representation on each committee. We will be asking each committee to perform to its maximum ability.

Roll Call – Secretary Michael Kennedy

Introduction of Guests – MD-8 District Governor

Dedication of Houma Clinic:

President Harrison presented Plaque of Dedication of the Reynold “Rod” Rodrigue Eye Clinic to his wife Roweena.

Acceptance of Treasurer’s Report – Treasurer George Edwards

One Question: are there any assets at this time for Low Vision. Answer: no assets other than the contribution received yesterday. We have some solar shields. All other orders are per the individual patient. No Saleries at this time.

Motion to accept Treasurer’s Report by Ethel Robin; second by Joe Inzinna, PDG. Motion carried.

Acceptance of Donations: \$ 1500

Auction for hand carved truck contributed by Lion Lawrence Morvant

\$125 to Lion Carl Cortez

Committee Reports.

Committees of the President:

Executive Committee: IPP Harvey Willie

Minutes Attached.

New Orleans building will not be occupied before Jan 2008. Report on Surgery and clinic locations: 27 clinics and 3 operating areas.

Reviewed Aged Receivables of over 180 days.

Reviewed Zero Club Contributions Listing

Reviewed Fund Raising Projects.
Reviewed Grants: unrestricted, marginally restricted, and restricted
Presented need for Long Range Plan
Presented proposal for voting member badges for LLEF members.
Presented proposal for preprinted boxes for recycled eyeglasses.
Foundation will get in conjunction with a 29 foot mobile screening unit for Glaucoma.
Reviewed need for written policy for hiring Executive Director and staff.
Reviewed procedure for documentation of expense reports.

Motion to accept by Ethel Robin; Second by Herman Lantz. Motion Carried.

Nominations & Elections: Presented by Dr Lisso Simmons

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, Advisors and Administrative Staff:
Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the Board.

This committee is supposed to meet once a year to report on nominees. Two Lions have written to indicate they wanted to be considered for the office of Treasurer: Joyce Willie 8-N and Sharon Williams 8-S. The Committee requested a letter of recommendation from the club of any prospective candidate wishing to be considered.

We discussed the possibility of having the Secretary position as a permanent Lion position to give consistency to this area.

Dir Eichhorn reminded the body that every year there is an election for 3 year trustee. Districts need to begin search for new trustees for the following fiscal year.
N, S, I One 3 year position available
O L 2 positions 3 year and two year

Respectfully submitted: (signed) L R Simmons

Committee Members in Attendance:
Chair: Lisso Simmons
Co-Chair: Zeke Dunaway
*Curtis Paul**
*Jim Caruso**
*Lucian Marks, Jr**

Guests in Attendance:
Mrs Joline Killen

** Members marked with * were assigned members to this committee who we also assigned as members to another committee and could not attend this meeting.*

Vice President Committees:

Constitution & By Laws: Presented by Bruce Simpson

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, and Administrative Staff: Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the Board:

We discussed the relationship of the Constitution & By-Laws and Roberts Rules of Order. There was a motion by Joyce Willie and a second by Wilbur Plaisance to present the following 3 by-laws changes to the board and ensure that written notice be provided for vote at the next scheduled meeting of the Board.

- Proposed are the following changes to the Constitution and By Laws which must be presented in writing at least 30 days prior to voting.
 1. Amend Art V sect 1 to add: "15. Past Presidents Committee"
 2. Amend Art V Sec 1 to change name of "7. Glaucoma and Diabetes Committee" to "7. Diabetes and Diabetic Eye Disease Committee."
 3. Amend Art I to add Sec 13 to read:

"13. Administrative Analyst: The Administrative Analyst shall be appointed by, serve at the pleasure of, and report to the Executive Committee. The duties shall include analyzing the financial records, preparing the quarterly financial reports, and any other duties assigned by the executive committee. This position does not confer any voting rights and shall receive no compensation."

Motion of the committee passed unanimously. Committee adjourned.

Committee members in attendance:

Chair: Bruce Simpson
Co-Chair: Lucian Marks, jr
Charles Tosten
Raymond Christensen
Wilbur Plaisance
Anthony Fregosi

Guests in attendance:

John Plaisance
Joyce Willie

J W Harrison, President
Robert J Eichhorn, Exec Dir
Cesar Fonseca, VP

Respectfully Submitted: (Signed) Bruce Simpson

Action Items: NONE

Long Range Planning: Cathy Comeaux

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, Advisors and Administrative Staff: Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the Board:

We met and discussed long range objectives to be developed and implemented. The committee determined that we need to work on Education, Services and Support of the Eye Foundation. The Committee prepared a draft of the Long Range Plan in order to meet these goals. This draft is to be expanded, tweaked and fine tuned in future Long Range Committee meetings. (Draft Attached).

Action Items: None

Respectively Submitted: (signed) Cathy Comeaux

Committee Members in Attendance:
Chair: Cathy Comeaux
Co-Chair:

Guests in Attendance:
Jackie Morse

Maxine Hardy

Personnel & Properties: Presented by Sharon Williams

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, Advisors and Administrative Staff:
Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the Board:

1. No changes proposed to the committee description in policy manual.
2. Employee evaluation forms are being put together that will be tied to pay raises. The Executive Director will not be tied into the evaluations of the staff.
3. Proposed pay raises
 - Jeff Robinson raise to \$42,000 (from \$35,500)
 - Janie 5% raise from \$8.50 to \$9.35
4. Propose to implement a 401k Pension plan up to 3% for employees: Pat and Nancy,
5. In the past we have approved a Christmas bonus for Nancy & Pat. Last year it was \$250 and is a current budget item. The committee recommends that this Christmas Bonus to be included every year in the budget.
6. Executive Director Car: current Crown Victoria 138,000 miles and is currently needing repairs. We proposed to purchase a new Crown Victoria cost about \$18000.
7. The Executive Committee proposed Badges for Voting Members: annual Cost would be about \$10 each x 11 per year; this to include DGs + new 3 year Trustees on a normal basis. Start up would include a total of about 43 to include past presidents.

8. The Glaucoma Foundation has offered a donation of a 29 foot Mobile Screening Van to the LSU/LLEF. This van would be used to perform eye care and screenings in a mobile environment. We would need to set up a separate corporation for liability considerations. We propose the corporation name to be: "Louisiana Lions Sight Services Inc". This corporation would have a separate set of by laws and officers.

Respectfully Submitted: (signed) Sharon Williams

Committee Members in Attendance:

Chair: Sharon Williams

Co-Chair: Curtis Paul

Sissy Lantz

Bill Heyerdale

Guests in Attendance:

None

Action Items:

1. Approve Pay Raises for Jeff Robinson and Janie.
2. Approve repetitive inclusion of Christmas Bonus for office staff (Nancy & Pat) in Annual Budget
3. Approval to create a Pension Plan for office Staff (Nancy and Pat)
4. Approval to pursue purchase of replacement vehicle for Executive Director.
5. Approval to procure badges for Trustees, Officers and Past Presidents.
6. Approval to investigate acceptance of donation from Glaucoma Foundation of a 29' Mobile Screening Van.

Discussion:

Dir Eichhorn spoke on the mobile screening van. It must be scheduled properly so that costs are not excessive. LSU will provide the driver along with clinician. There is at least a 1 year stipend of \$5000 for operating expenses. Let us look at useful life of van and terminate the use of the van at the proper time. He recommended that we seriously look into the proposal since it is a viable PR tool.

Zeke Dunaway and Jim Caruso spoke regarding the related costs (maintenance and scheduling). This van will be a major drain of resources on the foundation and our local clubs. We need to be careful in considering this process. Peggy Breaux rose to agree with Zeke and Jim.

Dr Lisso Simmons rose on point of order to defer discussion until vote on action items.

Public Relations: Ray Deist Chairperson

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, Advisors and Administrative Staff:
Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the Board:\

- Recommended that all operational committees provide input to this committee during the first quarter of the fiscal year in order to prepare an annualized PR campaign to include page in LA Lion and local media events. Committee chairs should provide this committee with calendar of events to be considered such as Diabetes Awareness Month in November. (email to chairperson rdeist @bellsouth.net)
- Recommend change reference in committee description to change reference to "Pelican Lion" to Louisiana Lion"
- Propose annual budget of \$2500.

Respectfully Submitted (signed) Raymond Deist

Action Items:

- Approve proposed budget
- Refer recommended changes to Constitution and 'By-Laws Committee.

Committee Members in Attendance:

Chair: Raymond Deist
Co Chair: Angela Trahan
Norma Lantz
Audrey Brown
Michael Kennedy

Guests in Attendance

Ken Molony Jr
Jeannette Deist

Secretary Committees

Eye Glass Recycling: Presented by Jim Fuentes

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, Advisors and Administrative Staff:
Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the board:

We discussed the daily operation of the Harahan Lions Club Eyeglass Recycling operation. Club Chairperson Don Pastor and his staff have processed 159,350 glasses since the end of October 2006.

Respectfully Submitted: (Signed) Jim Fuentes

Committee Members in Attendance:
Chair: Jim Fuentes
Co-Chair:

Guests in attendance:

Betty Jeffress
Melba Lafargue

Action Items: NONE

Speech and Hearing: Carol Wedge

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, Advisors and Administrative Staff:
Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the Board:

The LSU Healthcare operations is still located at 4300 Houma Blvd next to East Jefferson Hospital. They are still taking Lions Patients for Hearing Aids. Ms Pat Bayard in the Slidell office handles the new Lions Patients for Hearing Aids.

At the last meeting in August, there was a child that needed hearing aids. I believe the child was helped by going through the Louisiana Commission for the Deaf. I want to report that the State of Louisiana will help children with hearing loss. Also the United Way.

I will be glad to visit your club to talk about the hearing program.

Respectfully submitted: (signed) Carole Wedge

Committee members in Attendance:
Chair: Carole Wedge
Linda Moore
Julia Stanford

Guests in Attendance
Irene Beaver

Action Items: NONE

Diabetes & Diabetic Eye Disease: Lois Foret

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, Advisors, and Administrative Staff:
Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the Board:

Requested more committee personnel with more districts represented.
Lion Ford of Thibodeaux Lions brought information on a new Prochgy voice diabetic monitor for the vision impaired.

Members were reminded of the Diabetic walk November 18th at Audubon Park at 7PM. Volunteers are needed to help service the ADA for water, registration, help with lunch and especially the both they have given us. This is very important to our projects to give Lionism exposure.

The President and Executive Director told us more about the Glacoma and Diabetes Screening Van. It will be ready in about 1 to 2 months to be used at various sites.

Lens Crafters in Baton Rouge area are helping with some eye screening.

It was discussed how the quality and quantity of sleep could affect morning readings.

Respectfully submitted: (signed) Lois Foret

Committee Members in Attendance:
Chair: Lois Foret

Guests in Attendance:
Lawrence Morvant
Tommie Morden
Marie Schwalb
J W Harrison, President
Robert J Eichhorn, Exec Dir

Action Items: NONE

Cub Sight: Phil Alexander

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, Advisors, and Administrative Staff:
Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the Board:

We reviewed the purpose of the Cub Sight program, which is to provide free vision screening to help identify children with visual problems.

Cub Sight Director Jeff Robinson reviewed the 1st quarter number with the numbers of children screened through October 2006. He thanked all present for their efforts which resulted in a record number of screening for this year.

Photo Screening Cameras were discussed. Some need repairs and five (5) need retrofitting. The committee recommended proceeding with the retrofitting as we need more cameras. Also, recommended that we get the cameras not working repaired.

Respectfully Submitted: (signed) Phil Alexander

Committee Members in Attendance

Chair: Phil Alexander 8N
 Co Chair:
 Leland Stanford 8L
 Jackie Honeycutt 8I
 Paul Crochet 8S
 Audrey Hebert 8S
 Jeff Robinson, Dir. 8O

Guests in Attendance:

Elaine Scott 8S
 Edmond Babin 8S
 Catherine Babin 8S
 Martha Blanchard 8S
 Bonnie Use 8S
 Terry Coupel 8S
 Chuck Tosten 8I
 Jim Fuentes 8S

Action Items'

1. Request funding to retrofit 5 cameras, \$5,000 for all five units.
2. Repair 6 Photo Screen cameras approximate Cost \$1200-\$1500
3. Accumulate funds to purchase new refractors \$4,500 each.

Clinic & Research: Jim Caruso

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, Advisors, and Administrative Staff:
 Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the Board

We reviewed the Committee duties as outlined in the Constitution and By Laws and recommend adding the duty of reviewing the contracts of the satellite clinics, their locations and functions and provide liaison with the clinics.

It had been suggested that there be a clinic in Alexandria. There already exists a satellite clinic in Pineville and Alexandria. Do we want to look at the addition of a surgical clinic in this area?

Adding a surgical clinic in the Shreveport area has been proposed for quite some time but there has not been any forward progress. There is an opportunity to provide eye care for children at the Shriners Crippled Childrens Hospital.

Should the aged receivables be the responsibility of the Clinic and Research or should it be more appropriately performed by Finance and Audit.

Repectfully Submitted: (signed) Jim Caruso

Committee Members in Attendance

Chair: Jim Caruso 8S
 Harmon Dungan 8I
 Fred Lantz 8O
 De Vern Elliott 8S

Guests in Attendance

Lucille Caruso 8S

Action Item:

Proposed change that No applications will be received/ approved from any club with account receivables to LLEF over 90 days.

Treasurer Committees:

Contribution & Visitation: Ann Sanders

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, Advisors, and Administrative Staff:
Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the Board:

We discussed the duties of this committee. Each District Governor needs to contact one trustee from each club that has a trustee on the LLEF board and ask them to contact clubs in their district and speak to them on contributing to LLEF. The message should be that fund raising is a good start to get funds for LLEF. Also, Clubs should ask the LLEF representatives and arrange a speaker to their club. Representatives can tell everyone what is going on and what we are doing at the foundation.

We need to coordinate with Public Relations with information to be distributed to each club. We need to work with the Executive Director on the acknowledgement of every club donation.

It was discussed that fund raisers can be fun and entertaining. We must not slack off in our works. If you don't want to help, shame on you. You are working for those less fortunate than you. If you didn't care about what happens to Lions Eye Foundation you wouldn't be here this weekend. If you have a negative attitude of Lionism you don't need to be here. We work with a positive attitude at all times.

We need help from clubs that don't give anything. Please stress to these clubs how important it is to keep our Lions Eye Foundation in operation.

Liono Peggy Breaux suggested a fund raiser for the state which is to come to a central location in the state with every club giving items to be raffled and perhaps having a wrap-up supper together. After discussion, it was decided that this might be better if this project were conducted on a district wide basis rather than state wide. It could be a Christmas Raffle.

Lion Jack Wallace stated that visiting clubs is the best way to get donations. Talk to clubs about donating \$1000 for a Knight of Sight.

Governors should ask their Trustees to go to each club and talk about these above items and other items at presented at this meeting and ask for help. All Lions need to help with visitation.

Committee members in attendance

Chair: Ann Sanders 8L

Co Chair

Ethel Robin 8O

Jack Wallace 8S

Lamar Joffrion 8I

Guests in Attendance

Jeremy Bautista 8S

George Edwards, Treas.

Action Items: NONE

Endowment: Bau Lake

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, Advisors, and Administrative Staff:
Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the Board:

Information was provided to each member by chairman Lake. The Chairman reviewed the investment prospectus in actions since the August 14, 2006 meeting, which included the authorized purchases of the following mutual funds at \$2,500 each: Alliance Bernstein International, American Growth Fund of America, Legg Mason Opportunity Prim, and Legg Mason Value Prim. In addition, a purchase of a 5.75% coupon GNAMAC Mortgage valued at \$6,000 was purchased at a premium of \$6,124.96 which will yield 5.49%. It has an anticipated short life of eight (8) years which can increase the overall investment yield if paid early.

As of November 9, 2006 the Sight and Hearing Foundation has a total approximate value of \$292,862.76 and the LLEF Endowment Fund which is held in money market funds is equal to \$42,850.52. Not included in the figures of the Sight and Hearing Foundation is a \$700.00 memorial check mailed Friday, November 10, 2006 to CITICORP/Smith Barney Brokerage Firm from the LLEF. This constitutes the memorial funds collected by our Eye Foundation for memorials during the last quarter.

The Constitution and By-Laws Committee needs to address whether we need to add an addendum to specify the goals and objectives of the Sight and Hearing Foundation. This addendum, if needed, should include the arm's length association with the Eye Foundation. Money borrowed from the Sight and Hearing Foundation may only be used for General Operating Expenses – not including funding for any new fund raising projects.

Discussion continued concerning seeking a new CPA to perform the audit, tax preparations and filing. Lion Bau has requested assistance in finding qualified CPAs to fill this position.

It was decided that Chairman Bau Lake would contact the broker of record as to the best timing to capitalize our profits on the mutual funds before year-end.

Respectfully Submitted (signed) Bau Lake

Committee Members in Attendance

Chair: Bau Lake 8N
Co Chair: Hazel Martin 8L
Bill Moore 8O
Ruthie Lake 8N
Dianne Kennedy 8I
Joe Inzinna 8S

Guests in Attendance:

Horton Beaver 8S

Action Items: NONE

Finance & Audit Lee Mott

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, Advisors, and Administrative Staff:
Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the Board:

The description of this committee in the Constitution and By-Laws is appropriate.

Respectfully Submitted (signed) Lee Mott

Committee Members in Attendance

Chair Lee Mott 8I
Co Chair Bob Williams 8S

Guests in Attendance

Action Items: NONE

Fund Raising: Harvey Willie

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, Advisors, and Administrative Staff:
Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the Board:

The committee agrees that the directives as described in the Constitution and By-laws is correct.

The Big Bass Rodeo was discussed with final report attached.
Decision made to have Big Bass Rodeo at Toldeo Bend again, but other locations are being considered such as Lake Concordia just across the state line from Natchez Mississippi. A site review will be made. They will help promote the function and will guarantee 30 boats. A report of the site survey will be made to the committee next meeting.

4 wheeler raffle: Posters and tickets available now. 1500 tickets sold at Cracklin festival yesterday. Contact Cathy Harrison for arranging 4 wheeler for your area. She is keeping the calendar. From the profits we will hold out seed monies for the next year. This is a 50/50 split of profits to LLEF and the LA Lions Camp.

State Raffle: this time is a Truck Raffle. Due to the constantly moving rebate/promotion package cannot finalize truck package. As soon as possible we will contact LLLCC Exec Committee with details. Dir Eichhorn volunteered his trailer for towing truck around for viewing.

The proposal of a State wide Fund Raising Foundation was discussed. It was decided to place on the ballot at state convention.

Respectfully Submitted (signed) Harvey Willie

Committee Members in Attendance

Chair Harvey Willie 8N
Co-Chair Cesar Fonseca 8S
Jackie Morse 8I
Herman Lantz 8O

Guests in Attendance

Kathy Harrison 8O
J W Harrison President

Action Items: NONE

Grants: Tom Gould

Mr President, Executive Officers, Trustees, Advisors, and Administrative Staff:
Your committee submits the following matters for consideration by the Board:

We collected contact information for other committee members present and 2 guests

We reviewed the primary goals of the grant effort

- Low vision and cubsight as established requirements
- Geri-care or equivalent as potential future goal

Discussed the revision of the Grant Committee charter. Need to reorder elements to reflect current realities.

Discussed information flow relative to grant request within the committee and externally. The committee will generate a process flow diagram for review.

Reviewed 3 possible grant sources for possible action. The consensus was to pursue grants from Ronald McDonald House Charities, Stavros Niacho Foundation, and Readers Digest Partners for Sight Foundation.

The consensus was to pursue a professional grant writer.

Determined library of boilerplate text of foundation information that would be of use. The committee will develop as an action item.

The Rapides Foundation and Coshatta Casinos were discussed as potential grant sources. The committee will investigate as an action item.

Respectfully submitted (signed) Thomas E Gould

Action Items: internal to committee only

Action on Committee Reports:

Clinic & Research:

Propose change in operations policy to not receive and approve any applications from any club with receivables over 90 days.

Action: Motion Carried

Cub Sight:

1. Request \$5,000 Funding to retrofit 5 existing cameras
2. Request accumulation of funds to purchase new refractors at \$4,500 each

Action Motion Carried

Personell and Properties:

1. Proposed pay raises:
 - a. Jeff Robinson raise to \$42,000 Motion Carried
 - b. Janie (Cubsite office director) 9.00/ hour for 5% raise (to \$9.50) Motion Carried
2. Pursue providing a 401k Pension plan up to 3% of employee income for employees: Pat and Nancey. Motion Carried
3. Christmas bonus: Nancy & Pat \$250 (current budget item) to be included every year. 3 opposed. Motion Carried
4. Executive Director Car: Replace current Crown Victoria (138,000 miles and needing repairs.) Proposed New Crown Victoria cost up to \$18000. 1 Dissent; Motion Carried
5. Procure Badges for Voting Members: Cost about \$10 each x 11 per year. DGs + 3 year Trustees on a normal basis. Start up would be 43 to start to include past presidents. Motion Carried

6. Accept gift from Glaucoma Foundation of a NEW 29 foot Mobile Screening Van: Set up as a separate corporation (liability) "Louisiana Lions Sight Services Inc" with separate set of by laws.

Motion to amend: Bruce Simpson Second: Lisso Simmons
"Authorize Executive Committee to analyze and determine if we should accept the donation and set up operation for a 29 foot Mobile Screening Van. If found acceptable, the Executive Committee is authorized to form the separate Corporation "Louisiana Lions Sight Services, Inc.", approve its articles and By-Laws, have them signed by the President, and have the new corporaton approved as a Constitution and By Laws change at the 2007 Multi District Convention. " Amendment carries. Motion Carries.

Old Business: NONE

New Business: Motion to approve paying Slidell office rent \$1,000/ month for remainder of year by Bob Williams, Second: Earl Pelligrin. Motion Carried

Announcement of date/place of next meeting: Leesville LA at LA Lions Camp Feb 10-11. Rooms Blocked at Landmark Hotel. 337-239-7571 \$60/nite + tx

Benediction: Ethel Robin