

DISTRICT2-X3
1ST CABINET MEETING-JULY 22, 2006
KOSSE COMMUNITY CENTER
KOSSE, TEXAS

Introduction of our Governor: Lion B.J. Bryant, Past President of the Kosse Lions Club, introduced our new District Governor Sam Lindsey.

Call to Order: At 9:00 a.m., District Governor Sam Lindsey called the meeting to order.

Introduction of Head Table: District Governor Sam Lindsey welcomed everyone and introduced the head table. Our guest speaker at lunch today would be PID Connie De La Garza. His wife, Lisa, VDG John Hopkins and his wife, Lion Sherrie, and Cabinet Secretary Treasurer, Lion Janice Tooke, and her husband, Lion Gary Tooke, and Lion Jodye Lindsey were also introduced.

Invocation: Given by District Chaplain Lion James Haney.

Pledge: Lion Wilmer Spivey led the cabinet members with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Song: District Song Leader, Lion Terry Sutcliff led us in a patriotic song called "America", plus a "happy" song, and a "Happy Birthday" song to Lisa De La Garza.

Welcome & Introduction of Mayor: In the absence of Mayor Ben Daniels, Lion Robert O'Neal (past Mayor of ten years) of Kosse Lions Club welcomed everyone to the little town with a big heart, Kosse, Texas. DG presented Lion Robert O'Neal with his own personal pin.

Tail twister: DG Sam Lindsey stated that all the signs in the center, plus the Lions signs along the roads were made by Lion Kenda Echols. She has a sign company here in Kosse, and DG told Lion Robert Hull, our tail twister, that he did advertise a full fledged commercial. The DG was fined by the tail twister. DG stated that he had received an email from a Lion Felix of Indonesia that he had met at the DG's training at Intl. That email was about a Tsunami that hit Indonesia a few days ago, and killed about 400 people in this Lion's District. Since they exchanged acquaintances at the Intl Convention, DG Sam would like for the tail twisters money collected today to go to the Tsunami in Indonesia. This was agreed among the cabinet members.

Voting Privileges: VDG John Hopkins motioned that all Lions in good standing in District 2-X3 be allowed to vote at this meeting. This was 2nd by PDG Norwood Brenneke. Approved.

Appointments: Protocol and Parliamentarian: PCC Richard Robinson

Sgt. at Arms:

PDG Carroll Boswell

Timekeeper:

PDG Eldon Miller

Remarks from the Governor and the upcoming year: DG thanked the entire District for their confidence in him and he will truly do his best as "your" Governor. He also spoke about the Intl Convention, and stated that President Lion Jimmy Ross has stated that we are going back to the basics, and the theme for this year will be "We Serve". He stated that we need to evaluate our own clubs. We need to build new clubs and build membership. District 2-X3 has an extension team and is working very hard. When we start serving our communities, our membership will grow. One of the goals for this year will be 2007 members in 2007.

This is an attainable goal. We can do this. Our membership at this time is 1866. DG

states we are going to start with service and develop new leaders to follow us in Lionism. Another goal would be 100% District to the Texas Lions Camp. PIP Bill Biggs had stated at the State Convention, and closed with this idea as a Lion leader; "You need to plan with your head, serve with your hands, and lead with your heart."

Foolishness: DG introduced Lion Sherrie, as a cheerleader, with VDG John Hopkins assisting and led us with the Jimmy Ross cheer. This was done all in fun, but DG explained the story behind the JR Brand. In the early days of cowboys, were very proud of their work. They rode for the brand. This JR Brand Cheer was sung three times.

Introduction of New Cabinet Members: DG Sam Lindsey introduced all the cabinet members. A list is attached to the original minutes.

DG introduced the MERL team. Membership: PCC Dick Robinson, Extension: Lion Gary Tooke, Retention: PDG Jim Jones (standing in for PDG Jim Jones is Lion Frances Bender) and Leadership: PDG Ken Schroeder. The extension team with Lion Gary Tooke as the leader, has already started working and will be having a meeting at Scott and White Hospital the end of this month, and hopefully will start a special interest club there at S&W. Retention efforts will be done at the charter nights by getting guiding Lions to support these clubs, plus those weak clubs in the District will also be supported by this team, along with guiding Lions. These Lions are available to your clubs and will come to support you and your club. All of the MERL team was presented with a "Kosse Posse" pin and were deputized as a "Kosse Posse". Hats were also presented. A zone wide orientation will be held at the 2nd zone meeting in October or November, and these MERL team members and the DG would be glad to be there to speak. Several sponsors came forward bringing in new members, and DG presented Growth Awards to every Lion that sponsored a new member. Lion Janice, VDG John and Sherry Hopkins, Lion Charles Stout, and Lion Bob Kinney, Lion Gary Tooke, and our DG has met several times to form new clubs and campus clubs. These leaders were also presented with pins and caps. All of the cabinet members that were present were presented with "Kosse Posse" pins by the DG. The District Contest will be posted every Cabinet meeting and will give an up to date surveys and winners will be announced at the District Convention. Send in your results each month to Chairman Lion Marvin Heese. At the District Convention, there will be a "free" Victory Party on that Friday night in April. In order for this to be free, we are going to sell program ads during the year. A full page would be \$100.00, $\frac{3}{4}$ page=\$75.00, $\frac{1}{2}$ page=\$50.00, and business card size is \$25.00. Of course, Lion Charles Stout gave a \$100.00 check for the first ad for advertisement of running for VDG for the year 2007-08. Co-Chairman's for the District Convention are PCC Larry Freeman and PDG Norwood Brenneke, and these two Lions along with a few others are planning this "Victory Party" by collecting for these ads. There is a trophy that will be presented at the District Convention on Saturday morning at our "Eye-opener Breakfast." It will be awarded to the Lions club that has the best skit. The skit can be 5 minutes. The winner is at the sole discretion of the tail twister. This award is called "The Tail Twister Award." It is limited to four clubs at the breakfast. Send your entries in ASAP.

An audit committee was appointed by our Governor: PDG Norwood Brenneke, PDG Doug Hill, and PDG Eldon Miller. These three Lions will audit the year 2006-07 books, as well as the past year 2005-06.

Cabinet Secretary Treasurer: Lion Janice Tooke is our new Cabinet Secretary Treasurer. She has served in this position to PCC Richard Robinson, PDG Gladys Tramp, and PDG Jim Jones. DG stated that she is an old hand at this position.

Installation of Cabinet Members: PID Connie De La Garza installed all of the cabinet members. Since DG Lindsey had already deputized each cabinet member into the Kosse Posse, PID Connie De La Garza installed all Kosse Posse members!

Presentation of the DG Pin: VDG John Hopkins presented and pinned our District Governor with the DG pin.

Presentation of the VDG Pin: DG Sam presented and pinned the VDG John Hopkins with the VDG pin.

BREAK: 15 minute break.

Reconvened at 10:45 AM. As the meeting reconvened, there was more tailtwisting happening.

Fire the Tail twister: PCC Larry Freeman motioned to fire the tail twister. Of course, it was not unanimous. So the tail twister still exists and is still fining everyone!!

OLD BUSINESS:

Minutes of District Convention of April 22nd, 2006: PCC Richard Robinson presented the minutes. Lion Al Waite motioned to accept the minutes as presented. This was 2nd by PDG John Southard. Approved by the members.

Budget: The budget was presented for the year ending 2005-06. PCC Dick Robinson stated the checkbook balance is \$17,795.38 and the budget states \$25,150.00 and this indicates some outstanding checks are still out. PDG Norwood Brenneke motioned that we accept the unaudited financial report (subject soon to be audited) for 2005-2006 as presented. This was second by Lion Jan Bohls. Approved by the members. The audit report will be presented at our October Cabinet meeting in Salado for approval.

Contingency Report: PDG Ben Baker reported the CD matured May 28th, and at that time we had \$10,587.00. The By Laws state that we can not have more than 10T in the CD. The money was drawn out and sent to the DG. The fund was renewed with 10T, at 5.01 % interest and now has a balance of \$10,044.74.

State Convention Fund: PDG Eldon Miller reported \$31,887.93 which includes the 517.84 sent to him by DG Sam. This CD matures on December 7th, and since December 2005 when we opened this account, it has earned \$293.74, with a final balance of \$31,887.93.

Excessive Funds: DG entertained a motion to transfer funds from the checking account in any amount in excess of 10T. If the balance is correct with 17,795.38, than \$7,795.38 will be transferred to the state convention fund. A motion was made by PDG John Southard and second by PCC Dick Robinson. This motion was approved by the members.

International Convention Report: Voting and elections update was reported by VDG John Hopkins. Had a great time, and Jimmy Ross is our Intl President. 2nd VP Al Brandel was elected by a 2 to 1 vote. The amendments were all accepted. VDG stated that there was one amendment that was passed that would most likely help us out as a plus for members and that would be the family membership plan which lowers the dues on 2nd, 3rd and 4th family members.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approve Surety Bond: DG announced that the bank account will stay in place, and will not have to worry about new checks. Lion Jim Bohls motioned to approve the surety bond thru Texas Network written by Western Insurance. This was 2nd by PDG Ken Schroeder. The surety bond covers the Secretary, Treasurer, DG, and any other signatory. This was accepted and approved by the members.

Approve Budget for 2006-07: A balanced budget was presented. It is attached to the original minutes. Total income estimated of \$32,093.16. Expenses would be estimated at \$31,820.00. A motion was made by PDG Norwood Brenneke to accept the new budget for 2006-07 as presented. Lion Charles Stout 2nd this motion. There was a discussion made on the budget about the start up fee. This was explained and it was clear to everyone. Another question about the signatories was asked. This was cleared, and the members voted and this motion was approved.

Approve Bank Depository: The First National Bank Texas, Killeen, Texas is our District Bank. A motion was made by Lion Al Waite and 2nd by Lion Glenn Brandt to approve the bank depository as stated. This was approved by the members.

Approve Signatories: The approved signatories would be Lion Janice Tooke, DG Sam Lindsey, and Lion Johnnie Tramp (for convenience to Lion Janice Tooke, in case DG is not available). Lion Jan Bohls motioned to accept and approve the signatories of Lion Janice Tooke, DG Sam Lindsey, and Lion Johnnie Tramp. This was second by PDG Jim Suttle. Discussion: PDG John Southard asked about the husband and wife team signing checks. PDG Gladys Tramp is on the signatory at this time, but will be removed for the year 2006-07. The Contingency Fund has three signatories: PDG John Southard, PDG Alvin Coleman, and PDG Ben Baker being the Chairman. On the State Convention Fund, PDG Eldon Miller as Chairman, PDG Gladys Tramp, and PCC Dick Robinson are signatories. No other questions. The members approved the motion.

Door Prizes: There were many door prizes given away during the entire cabinet meeting. Also, the tail twister was quite active in collecting monies during the entire meeting!

The following reports were given:

LEAD

Campaign Sight First II: PCC Dick Robinson

Texas Lions Foundation: PDG Alvin Coleman

USA/CANADA Forum: PDG Ken Schroeder

Leo/Campus Clubs: Lion Lawrence Sanchez was in training with the Leos, and report was given later.

No other Reports:

Recessed for Lunch: Prayer by Lion James Haney.

Guest Speaker: PID Connie De La Garza spoke to us about membership and leadership. He stated when he ran for Intl Director, he had a slogan on his badge—MAD and that is all you could see on that badge. It stood for Make a Difference in Lionism and get MAD! He stated to adopt this motto and get out there and build clubs and membership. DG presented a small token of our appreciation of being our guest, and also presented a DG Appreciation Award to PID Connie De La Garza for coming here.

Presentation by Temple Lions Club: Lion Charles Stout presented a \$100.00 check to the Kosse Leos for their participation in helping the Temple Lions Club, LRA Lions Club, and Temple Breakfast Lions Club on June 23rd at the Texas Lions Camp preparing supper for the campers and counselors. The Kosse Leos and some of their sponsors and parents were a great help, and Lion Charles stated they would not have been able to do it without them. Thanks go to the Kosse Leos! DG stated that the Kosse Leos had a fund-raiser shortly before their trip to TLC, and at the TLC honored Jodye and him with an endowment brick in their name. DG publicly said "Thank You!"

Get Well Card: A get well card is being passed around to all members for everyone to sign for PDG Jim Jones as he has been sick with heart problems.

Announcement: DG is taking scheduling of visits and Janice; the Cabinet Secretary will also be available to pass out your President and Secretary packets after the meeting is adjourned. PDG Norwood Brenneke announced that the annual Golf Tournament for Texas Lions Camp has taken in \$33,000.00 and that is a record. PDG Ken Schroeder announced his grandson as being a first-timer here at the cabinet meeting and he just joined the China Spring Lions Club on July 1st. Welcome Lion Ryan Schroeder!

The Lone Star State Flag: On display is a hand made State Flag made by Lion Neenah German, and DG stated that this will be auctioned off at the Mid Winter Conference in January 2007. He stated that clubs may want to pool together to buy this lovely item, or one person may want to buy it, but it is a priceless item and we need to sell it at what it is worth. So you have from now until January 2007 to think about it! Funds will go to the Texas Lions Camp. This was Lion Neenah's request.

Youth Exchange Report: Lion Jan Bohls gave a report that 4 kids were guests with Mexia and the Temple Breakfast Clubs during the summer. She stated need host families for next year. The deadline for this is December 1st.

Nomination: PDG Eldon Miller read a resolution for the candidacy for Lion Charles Stout for Vice District Governor for the year 2007-2008. This is attached to the original minutes.

Tail Twister Collections: The tail twister has collected \$252.00 and this will be sent to Lion Felix in Indonesia for the Tsunami disaster.

LEO Report: Lion Lawrence Sanchez gave a report of the elections that were held for the new LEO District Officers, just formed. These are as follows: President: Leo Whitney Hanky; Vice President Leo Evan Strazinsky; Secretary: Leo Angela Stokes; Treasurer: Leo Lauren Carlisle, and Directors: Leo Ashley Goonley, Leo Cody Hardner, and Leo Tamara Lee. PID Connie installed each of these newly elected officers. Lion Lawrence also reported that we started out with 4 Leo Clubs and now we have 7. We still need more LEO Clubs in the District as these "kids" are our future.

DG Appreciation Awards: DG passed out many Appreciation Awards for all the hard work that Lions do and are doing. PCC Herb Silverberg, PCC Larry Freeman, and PCC Dick Robinson were called to the front by DG and were presented with a DG Appreciation Award for all of their hard work in Lionism, and we are all proud and are very honored and privileged to have 3 living PCC's in our District. Others receiving DG Appreciation Awards were as follows: PDG Ken Schroeder, and wife, Lion Kathy, for their hard work in Leadership Courses, Lions Gary and Janice Tooke for their hard work on the District Directory and extension teamwork.

DG Presentation: DG called Lion Tom Criswell and presented him with a 50 year citation from the Intl President. He also received a 50 year charter monarch chevron. PID Connie removed the 45 year chevron and pinned the 50 year chevron on his lapel. DG Sam presented a DG Appreciation Award to Lion Criswell for his hard work in Lions.

Today's Registration Count: DG Sam announced that we had 136 registered Leos, Lions, and Guests. A great success.

Good of the Order: Lion John Householder asked who is doing the eyeglass transporting. DG stated that VDG John Hopkins is taking on that extra duty for the moment and he will collect the eyeglasses after this meeting if anyone has any. PCC Larry Freeman stated that a little ole lady in Salado collected 100 pairs of glasses to be turned in today. It Can Be Done!!

Thank You: One last thank you to all Kosse Lions, for all of the coordination between the caterer, the travels between the meetings at the Baptist Church and here at this community center, etc. This could not have been as successful as it has been without all of the coordination and hard work of these Lions. Thanks again. Let's all plan to be at the 2nd cabinet meeting in Salado on October 7th.

No Other Business: There being no other business, DG adjourned the meeting at 1:05 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Janice F. Tooke
Cabinet Sec/ Treasurer
District 2-X3

07/26/06--Emailed to DG Sam Lindsey

07/27/06—DG Sam Lindsey approval

07/27/06—Emailed to Intl

**Addendum to District 2-x3
District Convention Minutes
Saturday, April 22, 2006
Temple, Texas**

**Subject: Voting Election Results
Tom Kirkham Awardee**

The voting results of the election and the Tom Kirkham Awardee were not mentioned in the official minutes of the District Convention held on April 22, 2006.

These results were announced at the District Governor's Banquet that evening and are as follows:

Election Results:

District Governor:	Lion Sam Lindsey
Vice District Governor:	Lion John Hopkins
Texas Lions Camp Director	Lion Eddie Hambrick

No other officers were elected.

The Tom Kirkham Awardee was Lion Charles Stout.

This is an addendum to the official approved minutes of the District Convention held on April 22, 2006.

The approval of this addendum will be brought before the

**cabinet members at the 2nd cabinet meeting on October 7th,
2006 in Salado.**

Respectfully submitted

**Lion Janice F. Tooke
Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer
District 2-X3
2006-2007**