

MINUTES BOARD MEETING BEN DAVIS LIONS CLUB JANUARY 2009

The January 2009 Board Meeting of the Ben Davis Lions Club was called to order at 7:00 P.M., Monday, 5 January 2009 by President Lion Don Mullen. Lions present Don Mullen, Tim McDonough, Bill Uhrig, Carl Finchum, Johnny McDonough, Louie Kleis, Mike McCormick, Don Clendenen, Mike Honeyman, Lindsay Briggs, Phil Cole, Marty Spencer, Luther Searfoss, and Dave Carter.

President Mullen indicated in deference to Ohio State Buckeye fans he would endeavor to move the meeting on to an early conclusion. That way they could get home to watch the game. Thursday night "Championship Night" will also call for an early conclusion inasmuch as one fan wanted to insure he did not miss any of the Florida Gators touchdowns.

Minutes of the December Board Meeting was read by President Mullen. Corrections were to be information relative to pins returned by Lion Jim Bates were Lions Pins vice BD. Also car wash tickets were to be returned to Mikes by 1-15. Upon a motion by Finchum and second by Clendenen the minutes, as amended, were accepted.

Honeyman presented the Treasurer's Report. After study and remarks by President Don concerning the need to get aluminum cans turned in to raise monies for operating expenses and Clendenen's stating same for keys on a motion by Spencer and second by McCormick the Treasurer's Report was accepted.

A visit to Lawrence Lions Club is planned for Monday, 26 January. Uhrig will contact them to finalize plans. As of the meeting Mullen, Uhrig, Johnny McDonough were slated to attend. Need one more to make it an official visit and garnish points.

Cole as Program Chair advised Dr. Barina of the Indiana Eye Center will be our guest speaker on Thursday, 8 January. At the 22 January meeting we will have a speaker from Kingsway Community Center. At this point the President stated Lion Cole have dialog with Micro Tel concerning a possible cancellation of meeting due to bad weather. If for some reason a meeting has to be cancelled the Secretary will send an email. Lion White should be advised also. He'll call the Calling Captains and have them advise the membership.

President Mullen had received an inquiry about our scholarship award from a student at Cathedral High School. He will advise the student of our criteria which says it is open to students from Ben Davis and Covenant Christian High Schools residing in Wayne Township among other ground rules.

Lion Carter advises forms for the "We Serve" Youth Award had been delivered MSD Wayne for distribution to the schools. In discussion it was agreed we should be very proactive and get the word out to churches, youth centers and all entities dealing with the young. The Community News is one avenue that will be explored. Carter does not expect any submissions this month but will be on the lookout.

Lion Carter had a discussion with a lady requiring assistance in changing door knobs at her residence. Her physical condition is making it difficult to turn the knobs so she is contemplating changing to handle types. She will require assistance. Lion Spencer indicates he has the tools to accomplish this. We'll assist as requested and needed.

McCormick as Chair of the Membership Committee hopes to convene a meeting of that Committee next week.

Lion Finchum nothing new to report on Fund Raising. Lion President will do accounting and return the tickets and Mike's portion of the funds over to them by 15 January. To that end he needs all unsold tickets and monies by Monday, 12 January. A discussion on selling some at the meeting on 8 January ensued.

In our efforts to assist a family at Christmas Lion President stated that was accomplished. We had agreed to do two families at \$400.00 each. One family whose name as provided by Lion Craig Smith had had their phone disconnected so contact couldn't be made. With that circumstance it was agreed that one family to the tune of \$500.00 would be provided for. A mother and her daughter, a student at Maplewood Elementary School, whose home had burned in a fire were selected. Lions Mullen and Spencer had shopped procuring house wares, clothes and toys expending \$499.31. Lions Spencer, Searfoss and Finchum had delivered the provisions. Needless to say the family was very appreciative.

Saturday, 10 January is the Mid Winter Conference at Lawrence Central High School. Mullen, Uhrig, Honeyman, McCormick and Tim McDonough will attend.

Clendenen advised he and Uhrig had attended Vision Van training at Pike High School in December.

The Winter Cabinet Meeting will be at Connersville on Saturday, 31 January. To date Mullen and Uhrig will attend. Mullen will present a letter from the Club backing him as a candidate for Leader Dog Trustee.

Finchum says WFMS has our breakfasts listed on their web site. They will be at the February breakfast. Lindsay will be leaving on Saturday, 10 January on the eyeglass mission to Mexico.

Because our February breakfast is slated for Valentine's Day Uhrig suggested we have flowers such as carnations, roses available for sale at a minimal cost. He was directed to investigate the purchase and report back to the Club on the possibilities of dispensing these items.

White as Calling Chair asked that if you are to be out of town for a meeting you let the your Calling Captain know before you leave so they won't have to utilize their time in repeated calls when you don't answer or respond to left messages.

Clendenen reported he and Sue had just welcomed two new granddaughters into their family.

Upon a query from Searfoss Uhrig advised tickets for February were delivered to Tharp. Is out of town and can't be at tonight's meeting but will be present Thursday to dispense.

We have several members not attending meetings/functions. The President to meet with Secretary and instigate proceedings in accordance with the by-laws to return them to active service or dismiss from the Club. We need to be an "active club" and not a paper tiger.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted – Lion Bill Uhrig – Assistant Secretary