

Iron River Lions Club regular Meeting Minutes
May 7, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Nan Olson and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to our country. Those in attendance were: Fred Baue, Dick Berge, Jane Bragiel, Ed Brunner, Linda Brunner, Carey Edwards, Scot Eisenhauer, Tess Eisdenhauer, Carol Evens, Kent Getty, Roger Gustafson, Sally Gustafson, John Hancock, David Hultman, Linda Hultman, John Joseph, Dan Kulig, Tim Landgreen, Debbie Landgreen, Marie Larson, Ray Levine, Merv Maki, Rozie Maki, Willard Ogren, Chris Olson, Jim Olson, Nan Olson, Joyce Orłowski, Jerry Peck, Julie Peck, Ernie Pittsley, Faith Pittsley, Howard Prell, Lona Schmidt, Jim Sloane, Guy Suo, Kathy Suo, Bill Trautt, Ken Watters, Shirley Welty, and Karen Wicklund. Excused: Darren Hanson, Andy Edwards, Tom Boggess, Karen Boggess and John Weiss.

Guests: Jody Truchon, band director at the South Shore School, explained the paper recycling program. (During the meeting, our membership dropped off 750 pounds of paper into Jody's vehicle, approximately \$75 worth and Kent Getty has agreed to have his truck available at the next meetings for recycle drop offs.) Jody said that the band is discussing marching in the Blueberry Parade.

Willard Ogren's grandson, Grant Ogren, delivered his speech to the club entitled Healthy Living. Grant has won first place at the local Northwestern Middle School, regional in Superior, WI and also at State level. Next, he is on to National competition. Good job, Grant!

Jim Duclon was also presented to the club for membership. He was approved for membership and will be installed at the next club installation.

Secretary's Report: The secretary's report as of April 2, 2014 was presented and approved. Motion: Bill Trautt/Lona Schmidt. Linda passed out membership cards to those who were gone for the winter months.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report as of April 30, 2014 was presented and filed for audit. Motion: Ken Watters/Kent Getty. Approved.

Correspondence: The WI Lions Foundation sent out club a thank you for our \$1,490 contribution to the Lions Camp. Northern Waters Ophthalmology informed our club they will take over vision screenings from referred individuals at \$50.00 per office visit. Dr. Guffy previously performed these examinations but has recently moved. (Linda has sent a thank you to Dr. Guffy for his services.)

President/Board Meeting Report: We had several requests for varopis [artoes tp bprpw/rent our rides. After approving a new ride policy drafted by Darren hanson, all requests have been denied. The new policy is attached as a separate document. The request to approve the purchase of hearing assistance equipment researched by Ray Levine was approved. This is a "Special Project" expenditure. The Five Club Scholarship committee has decided to end its association. Our club is expected to receive \$6,642.58 back from this fund. We recommend that the money be placed in our scholarship fund as that was always the intent of this money.

The next Chamber of Commerce meeting is: May 13th at 1:00. Also, Nan spoke at the Iron River Town meeting regarding our concern about Moon Lake park maintenance during the Blueberry Festival.

District 27-C2 Convention Report: Held on April 11-12, 2014 at Lake of the Torches Casino and Convention Center: A "Service of Remembrance" was held for departed Lions since the last convention. Our own, Don Molis was one of those remembered. His daughter, Lynn Metzinger and son-in-law were able to attend the service and dinner. Those attending the convention from our club were Nan Olson, Dave and Linda Hultman, and Ernie and Faith Pittsley.

Special Projects: Will meet at Faith's house on May 19th. A Town of Iron River Veterans Memorial Park is in the planning stage.

Membership: One of the presentations at the district convention was reaching new members and long range planning. Faith reported that the new international president's goals include increasing

membership focused on including young people and women. Encouraged members to invite new people to visit or include in activities.

Activities: Fisherman's Breakfast: Will report next month after all the bills are in. Thanks to all that cooked, served, and provided music.

Diabetes/Wellness Report: Currently there is a class at Hope Lutheran in Oulu with 9 folks attending. Fear of falling and good balance is always a concern for those getting up in years.

Website: John Joseph reported in April there were 40,161 hits and 4,500 visits to the site.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Reminder to save your recycle paper which will be collected before the next meetings.
- b. Opportunities "To Serve" : The list was circulated at the meeting.
- c. The eye bank transporter list was circulated and updated.
- d. WI back vest patch for sale at \$5.00 each
- e. Lion Polo shirts: Orders were taken at the May meeting and will also be available to order at the June meeting. These can be worn instead of the Lion vest at meetings, Lions related events and the Blueberry Festival.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Copies of our club's calendar events are available. See Nan.
 - b. Highway clean-up May 10th. (Those who helped with our club's section of Highway 2 were: Kent Getty, Ray Levine, Carol Reasbeck, Lona Schmidt, Ed and Linda Brunner, Ernie and Faith Pittsley and Andy and Carey Edwards. Check out our Facebook picture.) Thank you!
 - c. Howard Fuhrman Roadside Park clean-up (Formerly Wayside Park): Scheduled for May 27th at 5:00 p.m. Rain date is May 28th same time.
 - d. Thank you Faith for helping clean the VFW on April 26th! Our club has been asked to paint the VFW kitchen cupboards white inside and out per Wisconsin Health regulations. Date to be announced.
 - e. Lion/Police Chief Scot Eisenhower has last year's list of Lion helpers for the Spider Lake Race on June 14th and will ask those Lions to see if they want to help again.
 - f. Our club once again is willing to help at the Bayfield County Fair's fireman's concession stand.
- The regular meeting was adjourned. Motion: Kathy Suo/Roger Gustafson.

Iron River Lions Club Blueberry Festival Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Nan Olson. We still need Chairpersons for games and help with publicity. The schedule for the Festival needs to be finalized for advertising purposes. A meeting of the working committee which includes the Board and chairs of several committees is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, May 21st at 6:00 P.M. at the VFW to discuss any items that need to be resolved. All are welcome to attend. During the June meeting, each Committee will be asked to report on the status of their plans. A list of committees is attached as a separate document.

Lion Jim Sloane spoke to the club regarding his wife's recent care getting to the hospital while experiencing a heart attack and the great care she received by our Iron River EMT unit. The staff at Essentia Health felt Iron River's ambulance was one of the best equipped in the area.

Jim Sloane won the 50/50 and donated back to the club. Thanks, Jim.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Hultman, Secretary

Iron River Lions Club Equipment Use Policy

There is a documented precedence set where the Iron River Lions Club has allowed usage of property owned by the club. The club should allow continued use of that equipment by the organizations that have used said equipment as long as it is returned to the club in the same or better condition than when it was picked up. Example: Tables and Arrow Sign

Iron River Lions Club Use of Rides

The Iron River Lions Club is not a rental company and therefore should not rent any rides to any organizations. There are rental companies that serve this need in the area. It brings up insurance and liability questions. It has been shown that even taking the inflatable equipment to an event other than the Blueberry Festival is not a profitable option when we consider all the coordination, work and wear and tear far outweigh the profits to the club.

In summary, the Iron River Lions Club does not rent, borrow or loan any of our rides but continues to let civic organizations approved by the board to borrow other equipment.