

Washington Lions Club

Board Meeting Minutes

July 12, 2010

Meeting called to order by Lion President Bill Dickinson, at 12 noon. Board members and officers present were: Lions—Dickinson, J.King, Hemsath, Hahne, Engel, Skornia, D.Politte, M.Bayless, Hopen, Redhage, Borgerding, Schlump, Weber, Thiemann, Late arrival—Hove. Absent—T.Geisert, and Hopp.

June Minutes—Motion made and approved.

Scholarship Fund—Report by Hemsath that 121 attended with Donations to the Scholarship Fund of \$3,735.00. Comments that the Lions podium speaker system used was inadequate for the room size. Also, planning for next year's event, comments that the Bar should be closed during the program to give the volunteers bar tenders a opportunity to eat.

In House Raffle—Lion Vince got the bill for the open bar from the Scholarship Dinner. A lot of thirsty people. A proposal to hold an "in-house" tail twister raffle to help pay for this bill. Suggestion to solicit donations and sell raffle tickets from Lion members only. (A raffle becomes a "charity event" if we sell raffle tickets to the general public). Lions M. Bayless and Hopen made motion to authorize Lion Vince to proceed with suggestion. Approved.

Sunset on the Riverfront—Thanks goes to Lion Radetic and crew for chairing project. Gross receipts was \$1,383.00. Lion Vince mentioned that the Board of Downtown Washington Inc. is considering adding a "Sunset on the Riverfront" at the end of October. If they do, our Club most likely will be invited to sell pork burgers. Motion made and approved to sell pork burgers, if this event is added to the schedule.

Received thank you letters from: **Washington Historical Society** for grilling at their Golf Tournament. And from the **Leader Dog for the Blind** organization for our donation of \$1000.00 which is given at our annual District Governor's Visit.

Received **Fair Gate Schedule** on manpower requirements for the Fair gates on Friday and Saturday. Additional starting times and staffing were outlined. Copies given to Fair Day Chairman.

Pre-fair party—Discussion to sell can soda for \$1.00 instead of the plastic bottles for \$1.50. Discussion of needing a replacement chairman for Lion Jasper for the Margarita Stand. Will also need a chairman for the second shift at the Main & Elm location. Lion Vince mentioned possibility of a separate soda stand.

Missouri Main Street Convention—To be held in St. Louis, with delegation touring Washington. August 11, 2010. Lions to donate and grill white chicken for evening meal.

New Fund raisers: Looking for new ideas. Suggestions—Trivia Nights and Mouse Races. Mentioned other organizations are holding these events. Find events for our "off season" was a comment.

Membership Report: Membership last year was down, for the first time in 10 years. Looking for ideas for getting new members. Lion Engel will work on the appropriate wording for a survey for the membership to participate in.

Duties of 3rd Vice President—Lion Dickinson is requesting all day event chairman to report to the 3rd Vice president the number of volunteer man hours at each event. The 3rd Vice president will compile this information and report to the President. Lions International is requesting this information and it would also, be a nice news release in the local newspaper.

Treasurers Report: Main Checking Account \$6,522.97

Annual Charity Budget: Lion Dickinson distributed a proposed annual charity budget. Concept to focus on planed donations instead of last minute decisions. Should some of the repeating recipients get larger amounts? New requests? Discussion.

Received inquiry about a **new service project**—Would the Lions be interested in sponsoring a child finger printing, photo, and DNA service project. Lion Hove volunteered to get additional information and to talk to the police chief.

Meeting adjourned 1:10pm

Respectively submitted

Lion Dennis Hemsath