

**Iron River Lions Club Regular meeting minutes  
February 5, 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: Dick Berge, Ed Brunner, Scot Eisenhauer, Tess Eisenhauer, Carol Evens, Dave Hultman, Linda Hultman, Ray Kangas, Tim Landgreen, Debbie Landgreen, Marie Larson, Jan Lee, Chris Olson, Jim Olson, Nan Olson, Joyce Orłowski, Ernie Pittsley, Faith Pittsley, Jim Sloane, and Ken Watters. Excused Darren Hanson, John Weiss, Andy Edwards, Carey Edwards and Shelly Olson. Snowbirds, we are still thinking of you!

No quorum was reached at this meeting. The Directors' meeting will be held on February 20<sup>th</sup> to address issues requiring action from this meeting.

**Secretary's Report:** The secretary's report of January 8, 2014 was presented. Motion for acceptance: Faith Pittsley/Ken Watters. Approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** The treasurer's report as of January 31, 2014 was presented and approved pending audit. Motion: Ken Watters/Jan Lee.

**Correspondence:**

- a. Iron River Elementary School has requested assistance funding with technology equipment. Nan Olson has more detailed information regarding this. Refer action to the Board of Directors.
- b. South Shore School requests an inflatable at their school for the end of the year party. No action is necessary until we have a date..
- c. Thank you received from the Iron River Elementary School P.T.O. for our donation of \$100.00 for the school Halloween carnival.
- d. Training Session for Children's and Adult Vision Screening to be held at the District Convention on Friday April 11 from 10-12 and 1-3. This is the only training to be held in our district this year. Nan will contact Dennis and Mary Jane Hirtz for further information as to training procedure rules.

**Other Reports:**

- a. Lion Glen Miller has been asked by Nan Olson to review our insurance coverage and answer questions regarding issues discussed last year.
- b. Lion Ed Brunner has met with Ashland Lion Greg Tobish to understand the mechanics of creating a foundation like the Ashland and Cable Lions have done. This effort promotes the ability to fund raise with a charitable organization. He will present his findings at the February Board meeting.
- c. Iron River Chamber of Commerce project: Nan Olson met with the Economic Development committee representing our Lions club. Other Lions from our club that also attend these meetings for business and civic proposes are: Glen Miller, Lisa Hyde, Scot Eisenhauer and Ray Kangas. Some items discussed were financing available for businesses, town sidewalk repair, children's playground development, the future of the Mitchell Building and the Moberg Building and no outdoor skating rink prepared this year. ( No money available from the town and such low temperatures this winter.)
- d. 5 Club Scholarship Committee: Includes Lake Nebagamon, Hawthorne, Brule, Poplar/Wentworth and Iron River Lions clubs. Initiated in 1978 with the purpose of giving a \$1,000 high school academic scholarship annually. Nan Olson and Willard Ogren attended a recent meeting which discussed funding, investing and continuation of the scholarship. Nan will report to our club as to the scholarship's future. Thank you to Lions Howard Prell and Willard Ogren for their many years of service towards this project. Currently the fund is at the Security State Bank and Willard has handled the paper work.

**Special Projects:**

Elementary School Diabetes Bingo: February 10<sup>th</sup> 12:30-3:00. Thank you, Tess Eisenhauer and

Joyce Orłowski for helping with the bingo game stations.

**Activities:**

A pancake breakfast honoring Lois Leslie will be held sometime in May. Date needs to be finalized.

**Diabetes/Wellness, Website, Deer Hides Reports:** No reports

**Facebook:** "Go Fund Me" a way of receiving donations via Facebook will be discussed at the next Director's meeting. Recommended by Ken Watters and Tess Eisenhauer.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Reminder to save recyclable paper to assist South Shore School with fund raising which supports their music program. See details in January's minutes.
- b. Football pool tickets: Thank you to Lions Merv Maki, Ed Brunner, Joyce Orłowski, and John Joseph for all the organization that makes this a successful fund raiser for our club.
- c. There are many opportunities step up to the plate and follow the International Lions motto "to Serve" in our club. Nan Olson has a list for members to look at. A copy is attached. Call her (715-372-4045) if you have questions or would like to volunteer.
- d. Wisconsin back vest patches for sale at \$5.00 each. They are quite difficult to iron on. Tess Eisenhauer has volunteered to sew them on for anyone that is having trouble with them sticking to the fabric.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Membership Committee meeting: February 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 at Faith Pittsley's house. Purpose to discuss responsibilities of the committee regarding recruitment and educating new members and re-educating current members about Lionism.
- b. Marie Larson Golf Scramble date: September 6<sup>th</sup> 2014.
- c. District Convention April 11-12 at Lake of the Torches. See Linda Hultman for registration forms.
- d. A "31" cooler with blueberry products will be our club's donation for the convention raffle. This is a budgeted item.
- e. Lion polo shirts: Many members have requested to purchase a new shirt to be worn at the Blueberry Festival and other club related activities. An order sheet will be available at the May meeting.
- f. Community events: Polar Plunge on March 1<sup>st</sup> at Moon Lake Park. Also on that day, a celebration of Howard Fuhrman's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday at the VFW from 1-4.
- g. 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Community Day to be held on June 14<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the Spider Lake Torch Run. Funds raised will be towards a future children's community playground.

The regular meeting was adjourned. Motion: Ed Brunner/Marie Larson.

**Iron River Lions Club Blueberry Festival Meeting  
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The meeting was called to order by President Nan Olson. See Nan if you are interested in a copy of the November Special Meeting which addressed last year's Blueberry's Festival and recommendations for this year.

Some chairmen of festival open committees need to be filled. i.e. park clean up during the festival, Blueberry Bungalow, Appreciation Picnic, Publicity, and Nicle Toss. Please call Nan Olson if you are willing to help (715-372-4045).

Items discussed:

- a. Vendors: Tess Eisenhauer is receiving applications from vendors.

- b. Festival Sponsorship: A sponsor form for businesses and organizations is being developed with various levels of financial commitment.
- c. Entertainment cost: The next Directors' meeting will discuss monetary amounts for entertainment. The entertainment committee requested guide lines be addressed. Ken Watters felt \$10,000 should be a starting guide as to entertainment cost. Most to be paid through sponsorship. Ed Brunner also felt this amount should not be limited rather to have the amount on a sliding scale.
- d. Communications: Joyce Orłowski requested a Working Committee be developed to gain club direction for the festival and hopefully it will improve communication within the club.
- e. Safety issue for pedestrians and parking between Moon Lake Road and Moon Lake Park during Festival: Ray Kangas is working on this with Dale Middleton and Rick Forsythe.
- f. Rides: Dick Berge requested some idea by the April meeting of how many rides will be at the festival so enough helpers can be available to work the rides.

The 50/50 was won by Ed Brunner!!

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Hultman, Secretary