

## Iron River Lions Club Regular Meeting

May 4, 2016 ~ 7:40 p.m.

**In attendance:** Wendy Biggerstaff, Ed Brunner, Linda Brunner, Carey Edwards, Carol Evens, Kent Getty, Roger Gustafson, Sally Gustafson, Davie Hultman, Linda Hultman, Lisa Hyde, Jeanne Joseph, John Joseph, Ray Kangas, Debbie Landgreen, Tim Landgreen, Marie Larson, Jan Lee, Ray Levine, Anne Madison, Tom Madison, Merv Maki, Willard Ogren, Chris Olson, Jim Olson, Nan Olson, Gerald Peck, Julie Peck, Ernie Pittsley, Faith Pittsley, Howard Prell, Robert Ruef, Roberta Ruef, Guy Suo, Kathy Suo, Ken Watters, Karen Wicklund.

**Excused:** Donna Callahan, Ted Callahan, Kristine Luoma, Tony Mullozzi, Rick Nelson.

The meeting was called to order by President Faith Pittsley at 7:40 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Welcome and introduction of guests. We welcome Jon Pieper, Chad Young, District Governor Greg Krug and Lion Patty. Thank you for visiting us this evening.

**Secretary's report:** Motion by Linda Hultman to approve the meeting with corrections mark excused Ted and Donna Callahan for January – April meetings. Second by Carol Evens. Motion carried.

**Treasurer Report:** Nan Olson presented reports. Motion by John Joseph. Second by Jan Lee to approve and motion to file for audit.

### **President Report: Faith Pittsley**

- The board has approved the nomination of Bob Bickett and Gene VanDeWalker to receive the Knights of Sight Award. Second by Jeanie Joseph. Motion carried. Both gentlemen have gone above and beyond in assisting our district with vision screening and utilizing the new SPOT Scanner.
- Bob Ruef has agreed to fill in as interim vice president until the September elections. His main responsibility will be the Special Projects Committee. Motion by John Joseph. Second by Carol Reasbeck. Motion carried.
- 50/50 Reminder

### **Committee Reports:**

- Special projects: (20) Banners and brackets are almost at the completed stage. Dahlberg electric has agreed to hang them. Thank you to Lisa Hyde for doing all of the legwork; Bertie and Julie for marking the poles; Dick Berge for the design, Ray, Ray, Linda, Jean, Kim, Bill, and the entire village which is has taken to finally finish this project!
- Vision – Health and Wellness Fair report. Thirty-eight vendors joined together to demonstrate their commitment to our community's health and wellness. Vision screened 25 adults and referred nine.
- Reminder – Eyeglasses, hearing aids, phone, and glossy paper recycling.

- Diabetes Living Well class is being offered in Barnes starting May 16 at 9:30 a.m. See Faith Pittsley for more information.
- Membership – Carol Reasbeck will be receiving information from Jim Sloane.
- Sunshine – no report
- Website – no report
- Environmental Services – Highway Cleanup Date – Saturday, May 21 at 9:30 a.m. Meet at Stephens Road.

**Old Business:**

- None to report

**New Business:**

- Special Blueberry Fest meeting – Tuesday, May 17 at 7 p.m. All members are asked to attend. We will be handing out raffle tickets and signing up for work stations.
- The board needs names of people you recommend to serve as officers. We need a president, vice president, secretary, membership chair, and two directors.
- Other –
  - District Governor Greg Krug – (Highlights from his talk) Thank you for the service that you do. Greg is an Eye Bank Board member. He is passionate about membership. He joined Lions when he was 19 years old. Many members are aging out. New membership is possible. Hands on service projects are one way to recruit new members. Service is what it is all about. Think outside of the box for membership. Young people are looking for service projects. How do we appeal to young people? What are they looking for? How can we reach them? We have community pride and community involvement on our side over the big cities. The SPOT Scanner vision screening is a great thing in our district; we have screened 5,000 children this year.
  - Awards – Service Chevrons presented to Fred Baue 20 years and Jim Olson 20 years. Most years of service recognition pin presented to Willard Ogren. The Club received an award, “In recognition of completing a qualifying project in the first year of the Lions Clubs 2014-2015 International Centennial Service Challenge of benefiting 100 million people by June 30, 2018. Award is for Engaging Youth, Sharing the Vision, Relieving Hunger, Protecting our Environment.”

Thank you to Roger and Sally Gustafson, Carol Reasbek, Carol Evens, and Marie Larson for making our Lions Club presentation boards. Great job!

**50/50 Drawing:** Winner Ken Watters.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Madison