

MD2 MAY 18, 2024 MEETING MINUTES/NOTES

Call to Order: 9:00 AM; State Lions/Leos Convention, Amarillo, TX

Lions Club Speakers: Past International Lions Clubs Presidents, Brian Sheehan and Jimmy Ross, Past International Director T J Tijerina, and Council Chair 2023-2024 Ryan Hodge.

- Ask local Leo/lions clubs for college scholarships
- Apply for grants through LCIF to get money for fundraising projects
- Describe Leo's journey to becoming a lion: find Leo or Lions clubs in your college or start one!
- Distributed a friendship banner to Leos at the meeting
- Write down what your life is going to be like and read it out to yourself
- Life has many roads; set your goals
- You only have one life, so don't waste it

Introduction of Officers

- President: Mya Amore Hernandez
- Vice President: Daniel Hernandez
- Secretary: Shruti Sunkara
- Treasurer: Blain Montgomery
- 24-25 Secretary Introduction: Tina Ly

Treasurer's Report by Blain

- There are currently 10,674 dollars and 30 cents in the balance
- There are no debts or dues of the State Leo Club

Approval of Pin Design by Blain

- Blain explained his flower design
 - More unique, something we haven't before
 - Flowers represent beauty and purity
 - Each petal is a different color labeled with a different characteristic of a Leo
 - Gold, plating the design, is the color of the Leos
 - Texas Leos 24-25 will be engraved in the center
- Unanimous approval of pin design, so motion was passed

23-24 Year's Projects

- Diabetic alert dog
 - Skylar received his dog
 - Any surplus funds to Elijah, who is in need of a diabetic alert dog
- Donated over 200 blankets for Leo camps
- Wrote encouraging notes for food insecure children in San Marcos CISD school program School Fuel (similar to Amarillo's Snack Pak 4 Kids program)

- Packed 53 goody bags for Leos and extras were taken to the Ronald McDonald House in Amarillo by Mr. Larkin and Mrs. Nancy Smith (MD2 Leo Council Chair)

Officer Elections

- Presentation of Officer-elect Videos
 - Treasurer: Brooke Lee
 - Secretary: Tina Ly
 - Vice President: Blain Montgomery
 - President: Daniel Hernandez
- President and Vice President Election
 - Blain: Unanimous
 - Daniel: Unanimous
- President Appointments of Secretary and Treasurer
 - President Mya Amore Hernandez appoints secretary as Tina Ly and Treasurer as Brooke Lee
- Open Officer Positions Candidates/Elections
 - 2nd Vice President - Open
 - Photographer & PR
 - Alexandria Satterwhite: interested in media and marketing; internship in a marketing firm; involved in yearbook
 - Alex elected for the position
 - Leo Tamer
 - Diana Tewolde: involved in Key Club and is getting various certifications in the future
 - Breanna Regehr: enjoys working with others and will ensure that all members are heard
 - Diana elected for the position
 - Tail Twister
 - Robert Barnett: wants to promote inclusion of all members
 - Breanna Regehr
 - Robert elected for the position
 - Board of Directors:
 - President Mya Amore Hernandez appoints Breanna as Social Media Manager

Awards

- Plaques are to be given Leo officers in the August meeting in Kerrville

Elevator Speeches

- Elevator speeches are 30-second talks used to explain clubs of interest
- They help inform Leos of what information they can say on the spot when they meet potential members
- Once they are completed, Leos should ensure to answer any questions
- Resources on LCI are focused on recruitment strategies
- Elevator speeches were practiced among Leos who attended the meeting in person in Amarillo

EOY Wrap-up Video

- Vice President Daniel Hernandez presented an End of Year Video that exhibited all of the projects the State Leos have engaged in the 23-24 Leo year

There were Leos in attendance. Schools represented were Randall High, Amarillo, San Marcos Academy, San Marcos, and Anahuac High, Anahuac. Adults present: Mrs. Montgomery (Blain's grandmother), Lion Sharon Anderson (Randall High Leo Club advisor), and Lion Nancy Smith (MD2 State Leo Council Chair).

Meeting Adjournment: 2:00 PM

Minutes presented by Shruti Sunkara, Secretary