MD31- North Carolina Lions

Promotions Committee Meeting Minutes

Official Minutes of Promotions meeting held on November 10, 2007 at Camp Dogwood, Sherrill's Ford, NC.

Presiding Chairman, Morris Van Vleet, called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

Chaplain Wayne McGohan gave the invocation. Governor Tommy Brooks led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Committee Members in attendance:

PDG Morris Van Vleet	Chair	DG H. M. (Bud) Miller	D31-J
DG Paulette Gasperson	D31-A	PDG Mike Flora	D31-J
DG James F. Foster	D31-B	PDG Larry Covington	D31-D
DG B. B. Oliver	D31-D	PDG Dolores O'Malley	D31-C
DG Sydney Eudy	D31-E	PDG George Holston	D31-H
DG Tommy M. Brooks	D31-F	PDG G. Steve Wilson	CC
DG Wayne M. McGohan	D31-G	PDG George D. Ohm, Sec	retary / Treas.
DG George E. Fisher	D31-H	(DG John James was absent due to a death in the family)	

DG B. B. Oliver was appointed Parliamentarian.

DG George Fisher moved to approve the minutes of the August meeting as distributed by email; seconded by DG Bud Miller. Motion passed.

Ohm presented the November Financial Report. Administrative Balance was \$5318.52 while the Reserve Balance was \$36,512.86.

DG Oliver moved to approve the financial report; seconded by DG Wayne McGohan. Motion Passed.

Chair Van Vleet called on PID Sid Scruggs for comments.

Scruggs commented that a second candidate for 2nd Vice President from MD324 India has withdrawn and pledged his 1500 delegates to Sid. Scruggs will be attending the ISSAME Forum in Sri Lanka. He also indicated that other Districts in India will also pledge their delegates in support of Scruggs at the ISSAME Forum.

He will also be obtaining 15000 Pictured buttons in Sri Lanka for use at the convention.

He mentioned a uniform change for Bangkok. Knowing it will be very hot in June, it was suggested that we use a lightweight cotton bib, white trimmed in red, with the NC Flag and Sid's Pin emblem on front and back. This will allow many other supporters to march with the North Carolina delegation. The bibs will be made in Thailand. The remainder of the uniform will be white shirts, Navy trousers/ skirts, and instead of hats we will carry umbrellas to ward off the sun. Plans are for Lions to purchase the bibs for the uniform for the next 4 years.

There will be a Southeastern States Breakfast hosted by North Carolina. There will also be a central caucus where all candidates will be presented at one time. Demonstration placards (perhaps 750) will be made in Bangkok.

Scruggs kept emphasizing that they are trying to be as careful as possible with the campaign money. He indicated that he will be receiving funds from friends to add to the funds raised by Lions.

Scruggs will speak at the 2011 State Convention as President of International.

PID Lacy Presnell distributed a bound booklet naming all committees for the Campaign. In addition, PDG Paul Bledsoe has been named chair of protocol. Presnell urged everyone planning to go to Bangkok to sign up, as we will need many helpers to distribute literature at the Convention.

<u>DG Bud Miller moved to approve the Modified Parade Uniform:</u> <u>White shirt – Navy slacks/skirts- white shoes – white bib trimmed in red – umbrella.</u> <u>DG Tommy Brooks seconded the motion. Motion Passed.</u>

Scruggs suggested that we only take the American and North Carolina Flags and the North Carolina Banner and Scruggs' personal banner for use in the parade.

Regarding the Hospitality Room, a presidential suite has already been reserved which includes two adjacent bedrooms. Plans are to house key members and use the living room area for meetings and as a visitor hospitality area. The cost is estimated at \$400 per night. It was suggested that the \$1000 budgeted for the Hospitality Room be used to subsidize the cost of the suite.

Chair Van Vleet commended the Governors on their State Trading Pin Sales. He advised that 150 pins were set aside for distribution to the crew of the new submarine North Carolina. Van Vleet reminded each governor to pay for the State Trading pins as soon as possible to keep the Promotions administrative account solvent.

Van Vleet proposed a new supplier for shirts and requested permission to purchase \$2400 worth of polo shirts with pockets.

DG Bud Miller moved to authorize Van Vleet to purchase \$2400 worth of polo shirts with pockets from the new supplier. Motion seconded by DG Sydney Eudy. Motion passed.

Van Vleet also announced that the raffle for the shirt netted \$119 for the Executive Officer's Campaign.

Van Vleet commented that he and PDG Joe Silvers have the special Sid Scruggs Campaign Pins – valued at 25 - 50 - 100 - 150. The Pins are upgradeable through additional payments.

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

George D. Ohm

Promotions Secretary-Treasurer