Business



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Official minutes of the 8th Business Meeting of the Curacao Lions Club

The 8th Business Meeting of the Curacao Lions Club held on March 11, 2010 at Fort Nassau. President FL Leo Lemmens called the meeting to order at 12.30 hrs p.m.

All present were requested to rise and face the flags to pay tribute by singing the Curacao anthem. Attendance, as shown on the Attendance Records.

Total members	: 81
Attendance	: 28
Excuses	: 4
Percentage	: 39 %

1. Opening

FL Pres Leo Lemmens welcomes all members, informing of the birthday of FL Edsel. FL Pres congratulates FL Edsel on this special day. All members sing, wishing FL Edsel a happy birthday.

2. Curacao Anthem / Tribute to the flags All rise to pay tribute to the flags.

3. Moment of Grace

A moment of silence is held.

4. Thought of the day.

The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet.

-- Aristotle --

5. Approval of the agenda

The agenda is approved as presented.

6. Raffle

The raffle is announced. FL Robbert collects. Number 11 is called; the bottle of wine goes to FL Gibi. Proceeds: Nafls. 28.00.

7. a. Corrections

Page 1: Second correction on the subject with regard to the minutes yet addressed. Remarks were brought forward by FL David, not by FL Dave.

b. Matters arising from the minutes.

Carnival Fundraising Party

On FL Karel's question with regard to the final results of the CFP FL Pres answers that the results are not finalized yet.

FL Stephen adds. To come to final results, those members who have not settled payment a/o didn't provide deposit slips yet, should react. Reminders have been sent and will be send again to settle as soon as possible.

To FL Karel's opinion other measurements should be taken; after nearly two months members still have to settle. It is unacceptable.

FL Pres informs that almost 90% of the income is received; 10% regards unidentified deposits.

If this money is not received yet, then when will it be received? 10% is Nafls. 50,000.00 FL Karel remarks.

FL Pres reminds that every year the issue with regard to the final presentation of the results is the same. In comparison to the last years, the counting is very much advanced. The party was much bigger than before with even a better percentage.

FL Gibi, after almost two months, just received the total expenses for the rental of the WTC. All came in late. In the next business meeting it could be possible to present the financials of the CFP.

The minutes stand as corrected.

8. Announcements and Correspondence

Next week, from March 18th to May 21st the Escuela Leonistica will take place in Aruba. The training will be given by FL's Oscar Franco, Leo Posi and Nico Wever. The Club will be represented by FL's Stephen and Dino.

9. Business matters to be discussed

a. 3rd Zone Meeting Bonaire

The Zone Meeting in Bonaire will take place from March 12th to March 14th.

A group of 13 Lions, 3 Lionesses and 2 guests will be travelling to Bonaire.

The program is sent by e-mail to the members; there are interesting topics to discuss in during the ZM.

The expectation is that with this large delegation, the Club sure will have a good time in Bonaire.

The tickets are with FL Don; those members, who signed up, can pay and receive same after the meeting.

b. Closing Blood Donor Drive

The official handing-over took place and counted with the presence of quite some members. Also Lioness Mignon van der Harten was present, for the reason that her father and her family were very much involved with the Blood Bank and the Lions Club for years. In those days the CLC gave a centrifuge to the Blood Bank, which helped them increase the capacity tremendously. This was a way to link back her father/family to this institution, a nice reflection for them which was really appreciated.

The Blood Bank informed after the installation, that the chairs even have a special function.

If a donor is being tensed and almost fainting, the chair has an emergency button that allows the chair to go flat immediately, avoiding accidents.

The other (old) chairs were upholstered and are being used at other departments of the hospital (admission and oncology).

The release was not structured very well. The CLC and the press were in time; however all were waiting on Prof. Dr. Duits for the handing over. At a certain moment the press had to leave for other commitments. That part did not go smooth, then all was rushed, pictures were taken quickly, there was nearly time to say a word. This was a little disappointing. Nevertheless the goal was met; the coverage of the press was good.

Also the raffle took place, the project is closed and the Blood Bank is happy with the donation.

c. Quota Club Fundraising: "Hombernan den Kushina"

An official request is received from the Quota Club to help out again this year with their project "Hombernan den Kushina".

This time FL Gibi will be unable to attend, however, the Club can count on back-up of Restaurant The Trader for all utensils, etc.

Last year the CLC-booth was the second largest sale of food.

The event will take place on March 27th in the afternoon.

The idea is to involve especially the young men of CLC; the older (male) members will work behind the scenes.

Those involved should be medically examined by GGD (Governmental Health Service).

An e-mail with the relevant information will be send as soon as possible.

The menu will be kept simple this year: the traditional Lion burger, hamburgers, and sate's. A new item will be the alcohol-free Lion Cocktail.

Those interested are requested to call FL Michael to sign up.

d. Donations

FL Edsel is looking into a request received from Internaat Huize Sint Jozef, make an analysis to further inform the membership.

e. Lions Dive Hotel

FL Pres informs of a request that came in last Thursday from Mr. Rudy Pizziolo to speak to the CLC Board regarding the situation around this hotel. A meeting was set up as quick as possible, for last Saturday March 5th. However on Friday afternoon Mr. Pizziolo had to cancel, apologizing that the representative of the Dutch shareholders group could not make it on the planned Saturday, neither did Mr. Pizziolo have the minutes of the last meeting to share. FL Pres told Mr. Pizziolo that if he still would like to talk to the CLC, another meeting could be scheduled accordingly. The next step in any case is, if a request for another meeting comes in, to wait for FL Edgar to be back. FL Donny remarks that the rumors are that the large shareholders would like to cut in the CLC's part in the hotel. The Club should be aware and cautious. FL Pres remarks that this has not been brought to FL Pres' attention.

FL Karel states that a lot of rumors are going around. He urges the Daily Board to have a meeting with Mr. Pizziolo and to report as soon as possible to the membership in a separate business meeting. FL Pres agrees with FL Karel, however the sooner could not be next week. FL Pres will be travelling the entire week and Mr. Pizziolo will be travelling to Miami for surgery.

f. Cabinet Meeting San Cristobal

The Cabinet Meeting/Convention Meeting is planned for May 20th to May 22nd.

FL Nico as vice-director of Convention elaborates on the Convention in San Cristobal and The Noche de Gala to be co-hosted by the CLC.

FL Nico discussed with FL Carlos Rene Marquez, convention director, that the amount to be approved by the Board, will be the maximum amount to be used for the Noche de Gala, without extra expenses. CLC-members are willing to travel to San Cristobal with a large delegation, representing our complete Zone. FL Nico will personally see for the traveling part; some airlines are cancelling the flights to Curacao. Avior is not flying to Curacao at the moment. DAE, Inselair and Aserca, the cheapest one, fly till San Cristobal itself. Traveling with DAE or Inselair implies that another extra ticket should be bought to further proceed to San Cristobal. FL Nico will check availability with Aserca. FL Nico will take care of alternatives to reach San Cristobal in a decent way for a decent price.

FL Gibi remarks that the Club should be realistic. See what we can get from Aruba by ways of a charter flight, stating that the situation will change and that charter flights will be carried out again. A discussion follows on the travelling by busses, from Maracaibo. The members disagree to travel for hours by bus. The alternatives will be analyzed and inventoried and sent to the members.

g. Other

FL Pres informs that the digital calendar for March and April is sent by e-mail, requesting to look into the calendar to reserve the dates.

The Board accepted a new gentleman to the Club: Mr. Angelo Heronimus, sponsored by FL Heidi. Further details of the induction will be forwarded in due time.

10. Report Tail Twister

FL Robbert fines, besides the other issues, severely all members for the way the anthem was sung: too fast, not pleasant at all.

Total: Nafls. 30.00.

11. Free word

FL Karel informs that this afternoon he will receive Nafls. 3,000.00 for DMM.

FL Karel suggests to organize a happening for the members, Lionesses and cubs, f.e. a beach barbeque or some other event, more than a social, more than a buffet. He is willing to help with the organization.

FL Pres suggests looking into this. There a few things coming up. Another social meeting is being planned.

FL Vanky reminds of an activity held at FL Adele's house. Such an event would be nice to do again. Also the event at the Trupial Inn was good.

FL Gibi remarks that members travelling to Bonaire could take along beverage/consumption; the accommodation is perfect to have after-parties.

FL Donny asks if there is a Nomination Committee and if new members will be brought forward. FL Pres informs that the Committee consists of FL's Clifton, Stephen and George.

The Nomination meeting will be held next Thursday during the lunch meeting at Fort Nassau.

12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 13.25 hrs. p.m.