

Regular



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Official minutes of the 6th Regular Meeting of the Curacao Lions Club

The Regular Meeting of the Curacao Lions Club, held on January 21, 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 Record.

Total members	: 83
Attendance	: 34
Excuses	: 3
Percentage	: 44%

1. Opening

FL Pres welcomes those present, apologizing for not having the big flags we are used to have in the meetings; the flags were used during the Zone Meeting and are still at the Den. This meeting will do with the small flags.

FL Pres welcomes four guests:

Mr. and Mrs. Tuuna, both members of two (separate) Lions Club of Finland: the Lions Club Raumach (to be compared with the CLC in years of existence) and Lions Club Rauma Canally Hill, founded in 2001. Mr. Tuuna was also the Governor of the District from 2003-2004 and member of the District Cabinet. Mr. Tuuna gives some facts about himself and his wife Fl. Ritva Tuuna and about their traveling, meeting other fellow Lions, in New York, Sint Petersburg, etc.

FL Stephen brings over regards and excuses from Mrs. Helga Mensing, the honorary consul of Finland on our island. Unfortunately Mrs. Mensing could not be present to meet Mr. & Mrs. Tuuna. If suitable, Mrs. Mensing would like to meet the couple during the week. FL Stephen will hand over the contact details at the end of the meeting.

FL Robert briefly introduces Mr. Emauro Scoop, tax partner at BDO Galveras Netherlands Antilles B.V.

FL Elgin introduces Mr. Angelo Heronimus, guest of FL Heidi.

2. Curaçao 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

One can never consent to creep when one feels an impulse to soar

-- Helen Keller --

5. Approval of the agenda

The agenda is approved as presented.

6. Raffle

FL Dino assists with the raffle. FL David explains to the guests what the raffle is all about.

The raffle is announced. Number 39 is called; FL Edsel wins the bottle of wine.

Proceeds: Nafls. 27, 50 and \$ 2.00

7. Announcements and correspondence

For efficiency and for time sakes, point 7 and 8 will be switched.

Blood Donor Drive

The five “donor lounge dialysis oncology transfusion chairs” for the Blood Bank have been installed. Next week, exact date and time to be set with the Blood Bank, the official handing over/closing/presentation of the project will take place.

Member

FL Pres informs that FL John Moron was unexpectedly hospitalized and operated (appendicitis). He is healing quite well now. FL Vanky confirms that FL John is in good spirit, feeling better, at home.

Zone Meeting

Last week-end the Zone Meeting took place; in attendance were fellow Lions of Aruba and Bonaire. The welcome at Brakkeput Mei Mei, the attendance on Saturday morning, the event event/new year’s party and the Sunday Saka-Raton-party, were very well attended.

Donations Haiti

Representatives of the Red Cross gave an update on the situation in Haiti at the Den. On this occasion CLC handed over a donation of ANG. 10,000.00 for the victims of the earth quake in Haiti.

This week collection for Haiti will start on the Inselair flights, similar as with the Bon Bisinja Project.

Bon Bisinja

The proceeds of the collections for the Bon Bisinja Project on the Inselair flights are Nafls. 4,900.00. Most of the loose change (different currency) were taken care of. The amount in Bolivars was 3,900.00 was exchange with a fellow Lion.

Some other person is interested to exchange one Dominican Peso.

Most probably FL Pres will announce the final amount of the Bon Bisinja Project next week.

FL Robbert brought in a thank-you-note (handcrafted card) from the Blenchi Skol, thanking CLC and Sint Nicolaas for the gifts received in December.

8. a. Corrections minutes last Regular Meeting

Page 1: Introduction of guests:

Not FL Edgar introduced Mr. Louie van Heulen, FL Agustin Jr. did.

FL Tom remarks that it is not stated to which Club in the Netherlands Mr. Van Heulen is affiliated.

Page 1: Not FL Robert introduced FL Karel's guest, FL Norbert did.

b. Matters arising from these minutes.

Page 2: FL Michael asks the total of tickets sold for the car wash of the Leo Club.

FL Heidi is not present today; undoubtedly she could give an update in the next meeting.

Page 2: FL Karel remarks that the member who collected the most for the Bon Bisinja Project, should get a prize.

FL Pres answers that it is very difficult to monitor; someone should be appointed to administer. The tins were not registered on members' name; in some cases tins were even shared.

FL Pres adds that last December the bags were introduced. At the start it was the idea to keep a separate count for the bags. When things got busy, it was very difficult to split the count.

The next business meeting will be a financial meeting. Most probably an exact amount can be presented of the "individual" collection, and the total amount.

To FL Maarten's opinion a prize should be given to the member who spent the most time collecting. FL Pres and some members agree with this suggestion.

Page 3: FL Coen remarks that he didn't know there was a dress code for attending meetings and asks what the dress code exactly is.

FL Pres explains that this matter came up a few times; the Club was to further discuss this matter in a business meeting.

FL Pres: In the next business / financial meeting the dress code will be discussed.

The minutes stand as corrected.

9. Speaker: Mr. Emauro Schoop

FL Humphrey introduces Mr. Emauro Scoop, elaborating on his educational background and work experience. Mr. Scoop is presently employed as tax partner at BDO Galveras Netherlands Antilles B.V. Mr. Mauro's topic – Fiscale Wetgeving BES Eilanden - will be conducted in Dutch; all was prepared in advance, due to technical translating of fiscal terms.

At the end of his speech, a folder regarding the BES-wetgeving and another folder published last year with regard to important fiscal information, are distributed on behalf of Mr. Scoop.

Mr. Scoop gives an interesting presentation of the topic. Members ask relevant questions.

FL Pres thanks Mr. Scoop on behalf of the CLC for his presentation. A certificate of appreciation is handed over to Mr. Scoop as the Club's speaker.

FL Pres requests the fellow Lions of Finland, couple Tuuna, to come forward where he hands over a very special banner of the Club's 50th anniversary.

Mr. Tuuna on his turn hands over a banner: “Pearl of the canal”, from Mrs. Tuuna’s Lions Club, representing all the pretty ladies of Finland. Interesting information is given with regard to this “lady on the banner”. It is a very important statue of the city.

FL Pres and FL Secr receive nice tokens from Mr. Tuuna; the oldest member present in the meeting, receives a medal. FL Fohed comes forward to receive this medal.

10. Report Tail Twister

The Tail Twister fines late-comers and other “misbehaviors”. Total of fines: Nafls. 17,00 and \$ 2.00

11. Free word

FL Gibi requests members who still have unsold tickets for the carnival party to hand these over to FL Stephen. All tickets are sold-out.

12. Adjournment

FL Elgin is requested to guide all members with a big roar.

The meeting was adjourned at approx. 13.45 hrs. p.m.