

## Regular



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### ***Official minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting of the Curacao Lions Club***

The Regular Meeting of the Curacao Lions Club, held on January 28, 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.

<b>Total members</b>	<b>: 83</b>
<b>Attendance</b>	<b>: 27</b>
<b>Excuses</b>	<b>: 4</b>
<b>Percentage</b>	<b>: 37%</b>

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#### **1. Opening**

FL Pres welcomes all present, especially the Club's guest and speaker Mr. Charles do Rego, who will speak about "Handel, sociale structuur en politieke strijd aan het eind van de 18e eeuw".

#### **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**

**Only the wisest and stupidest of men never change.**

**-- Confucius --**

#### **5. Approval of the agenda**

The agenda is adjusted; points 8 and 9 are switched. First Mr. Do Rego will give his lecture.

#### **6. Raffle**

FL Robbert assists with the raffle. FL Pres informs that the extra wine being served is on the occasion of FL Frank's birthday, tomorrow, January 29, 2010. All members sing, wishing FL Frank a happy birthday.

Nr. 16 is called. FL Tom wins the bottle of wine.

Proceeds: Naf. 25.00.

**7. a. Corrections minutes last Regular Meeting**

Page 3: Point 9: Mr. Emauro's last name is spelled without the "h": Scoop.

**b. Matters arising from these minutes.**

Guests

FL Pres informs of an e-mail received from FL Peca Tuuna and spouse from Finland, thanking for the warm welcome, the chance to meet FL's and to attend the meeting.

Mr. Tuuna expressed that the attendance to the CLC-meeting was the highlight of their stay on the island. FL Pres informs he has been added as a friend of FL Tuuna on Facebook.

Blood Donor Drive

Due to the busy week of the tumba-festival, FL Pres suggests scheduling the hand-over of the chairs to the Blood Bank, the week after the tumba-festival and -festivities. Even though the press will cover this news/donation, the news will disappear in the huge tumba and carnival news. The exact date will be announced by e-mail.

Bon Bisinja

It is interesting to know that with regard to the collection on the Inselair flights, the total amount of Bolivars exchanged was Nafls. 7,300.00; pending is the counting of a few dimes, pennies and nickels, to come to a total of the collection on the flights.

Leo's car-wash

FL Maarten's question with regard to the Leo's car-wash cannot be answered yet. As soon as FL Heidi is back the outcome will be announced.

The minutes stand as corrected.

**8. Speaker: Mr. Charles Do Rego, MBA**

FL Humphrey introduces Mr. Charles do Rego, well known by most members, elaborating on his educational background and work experience. Currently Mr. Do Rego is a board member of several non-profit organizations, particularly in the area of education and culture. In addition to that Mr. Do Rego is a consultant and regularly involved in interim and project management. Throughout the years Mr. Do Rego has kept a special interest in the fields of geography and history. Recently Mr. Do Rego wrote, together with others, two books on history: "Santa Martha Grandi, het verhaal van een plantage" and "Slavery and resistance in Curacao. The rebellion of 1795".

Mr. Do Rego gives an interesting presentation of the topic in Dutch: "Handel, sociale structuur en politieke strijd aan het eind van de 18e eeuw".

Members ask questions and/or request Mr. Do Rego's opinion on the expectations for the 20<sup>th</sup> century; also history-related questions with regard to the influence of the Dutch on the islands and a comparison with islands of the region, such as Haiti.

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

## **9. Announcements and correspondence**

### Carnival Party

FL Gibi informs that preparations are going well; all is on good track. Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, the ship will be set up.

There is a huge problem with regard to the tickets. An e-mail has been sent to all members requesting their cooperation to return unsold tickets to FL Stephen who will make an inventarisation of the rest of the tickets, before the Club can state that tickets are sold out; while there are still unsold tickets with the members. Tomorrow, Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, all should be settled. If a member does not settle, unsold tickets cannot be returned. The member will be charged for unsold tickets.

FL Dave asks how to proceed; through Facebook people are requesting tickets. Should they be directed to FL Stephen?

FL Stephen suggests to first deal with the rest of the tickets. When the rest of the tickets are centralized, FL Stephen can be approached by phone afterwards.

An e-mail will be sent on Monday, February 1, with these instructions.

## **10. Report Tail Twister**

Unfortunately, due to time constraints the Tail Twister was unable to report.

## **11. Free word**

FL Donny asks if the Club has banners. He saw the banner of Finland, stating the Club did not give anything in return. FL Pres corrects this statement and informs that the Club handed over a banner - made on the occasion of the Club's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary – to FL Peca Tuuna. New banners will be printed in due time.

## **12. Adjournment**

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