

# Regular



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## ***Official minutes of the 15<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting of the Curacao Lions Club***

The Regular Meeting of the Curacao Lions Club, held on May 6, 2010 at Fort Nassau. President FI 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>: 82</b>
<b>Attendance</b>	<b>: 25</b>
<b>Excuses</b>	<b>: 8</b>
<b>Percentage</b>	<b>: 40%</b>

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### **1. Opening**

FI Pres welcomes those present, especially the Governor of District E1 FI Adelmo de Leon Cardozo and spouse, FI Rosalba de Leon Cardozo.

### **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**

**Don't confuse fame with success.  
Madonna is one; Helen Keller is the other.**

**-- Erma Bombeck --**

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

After point 8, the Governor of District E1 will address himself to the membership. The agenda is approved as amended.

### **6. Raffle**

FI Frank assists with the raffle.  
Nr. 4 is called; the bottle of wine is for FI Nico.  
Proceeds: Nafis. 25.00.

### **7. a. Corrections minutes last Regular Meeting April 22, 2010 and**

**minutes of the Monarch Night, April 24, 2010**

None

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

On Fl Maarten request for a hand-out with regard to ACTive Chance, the foundation of which Mrs. Claudia Prodan is part of, Fl Pres answers that Fl Dino will be requested a copy.

**The minutes stand as approved.**

**8. Announcements and Correspondence**

- Fl Pres suggests having the role call for the Governor and spouse. All members duly introduce themselves.

- Senior Citizen Day

150 additional seniors/care-takers have been invited. The concept hasn't changed. One positive change is that the food will be prepared by The Trader Restaurant. As usual the elderly will be served by the Lions/Lionesses/Volunteers.

To be able to serve more seniors and to cover the costs involve, the Board requests approval of the Membership for an increase of Nafls. 10,000.00 for SCD.

**The request is approved.**

Fl Pres reminds that all help is welcome; members are requested to sign up through Fl. Secretary to help with the packing of the give-aways on Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup> and for the shifts on SCD on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

- Fundraising Lunch Royal Caribbean

Fl Pres informs that a fundraising is being planned on board of the Serenade of the Seas of the Royal Caribbean Cruise Line during its visit to Curacao on June 15<sup>th</sup>. The idea is to sell approx. 150 tickets at Nafls. 100.00. There will be no costs involved for the CLC. Additional information will be shared with the members later.

Approval is requested for this fundraising project which will take place within a month.

A discussion follows with regard to the selling of more tickets.

Fl Pres answers that the idea should be further developed and request to first "digest" the idea.

**The request for the fundraising event Lunch Royal Caribbean is approved.**

**9. Words to the members by Fl Governor of District E1 Adelmo de Leon Cardozo**

Fl Adelmo de Leon directs himself to the members, thanking for the warm receipt and the chance to attend this Regular Meeting.

Fl Governor congratulates firstly CLC for the great support the Club has given this year. Special words of appreciation go out to Fl Stephen with regard to his excellent performance as Zone Chairman and to Fl Nico Wever for his continuous support, comments and advices.

To the opinion of the Governor, CLC is a Club that works with all components of the program of Lions International; although the style may change, the philosophy remains.

This year's slogan of the President of Lions International is: "Crecimiento en Marcha, inviting all clubs to go beyond the dreams, beyond the goals set and beyond the Club's actions. We aim is, to attract more members, which will result in an increase of the service.

Emphasis should also be on working with the youth. CLC could be proud having an ex-Leo as incoming President; the youth will undoubtedly get the attention.

FI Governor further elaborates on:

- the increase of the total of members of the Clubs
- the service of the Clubs
- the personal growth of the members, referring to the participation of FI's Stephen and Dino to the Escuela Permanente
- the approach of the Clubs towards the community to result in further growth of the Clubs; therefore the request (in Spanish) is "salgamos de la cueva": invite people to become active members.

FI Governor congratulates the CLC for being a "Club Modelo", a model Club, stating that CLC calls the attention for its activities and events.

He congratulates the CLC for the charisma and the special focus on the necessity of the community, especially with projects such as the Dyslexia Project.

FI Governor ends his speech encouraging the members to participate at the convention in San Cristobal. For what he understood, the attendance will be great.

On the occasion of the visit of the Governor, FI Pres Leo Lemmens receives a pin.

In return FI Pres Leo Lemmens hands over to the couple the CLC bag, as presented last December for the Bon Bisinja Project, explaining the idea behind the bag.

FI Governor states he will for sure copy this idea.

Furthermore FI Rosalba de Leon hands over a gift to FI Secr Milaika as token of appreciation to the spouse of the Zone Chairman.

## **10. Report Tail Twister**

The acting Tail Twister, FI Frank reports very short, fining members who arrived late and not wearing pins, etc.

Total of fines: Nafls. 8.00.

## **11. Free word**

### **- San Cristobal**

FI Nico distributes the pricing with regard to the convention in San Cristobal.

The members are requested to inform FI Nico a.s.a.p. of their participation. Some hotels have been booked already.

The calculation has changed due to a drop of the Bolivar.

FI Nico requests all members to pay in time; the hotels should be paid in advance.

### **- Senior Citizen Day**

The list circulates for members to sign up for the shifts.

- On request of FI Pres, FI Nico leads the members in a great roar to FI Governor and spouse.

### **- Membership E1**

On FI Donny's question with regard to the total of the membership of E1, FI Nico answers that the expectation is that the total of members will be approx. 1250 members at the beginning of the next Lionistic year.

Plans are to re-open a new club in Merida and also, before the end of FI Adelmo's year, a new club in San Cristobal.

At this question also FI Governor Adelmo gives additional information/figures of the separate Clubs.

- Parke Tropical (Zoo)

Fl Elgin asks if the Club could contribute/help the foundation in any way to feed the lions in the zoo; at least once a month or once a week.

In the past the Club sponsored the cages and the lions.

From what Fl Elgin saw, the lions are not in a healthy condition.

Fl Stephen had been in contact with the foundation in the year he was stepping down as President and Fl Heidi became President, to refurbish the cage, because the CLC log is on the cage. There has been a lot of turmoil within the Foundation.

There was a commitment that if the CLC would put up a certain amount of money, MCB would also contribute with a similar amount to make it a big project. All was put on hold because the foundation never presented a budget etc.

The foundation never came up with something tangible to work on.

CLC should wait to see if the foundation will

Fl Pres states that this project has already the attention of the incoming President.

## **12. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at approx. 13.50 hrs p.m.