

District 2E-1 Convention
April 4, 2009
Eastland, TX

The business meeting for the District 2E-1 Convention was called to order by District Governor Dean Vernon at 9:01 am.

Lion Chaplain Bill Smith gave the invocation. The pledges to the US Flag and the Texas Flag were led by Vice District Governor Tom Isbell. VDG Tom Isbell introduced the dignitaries present.

The secretary's report was given by District Sec/Treas. Gordon Woolam. A motion to accept the report was made by PDG Eddie McMillian and seconded by PDG Hal Griffin. The minutes were accepted as presented.

The following preliminary reports were given:

- Constitution and By-laws Committee – PDG James Wheeler
- Nominating Committee – PDG Eddie McMillian
- Credentials Committee – PDG Hal Griffin
- Election Committee – PDG C. Lee Smith, PCC, Chair

The treasurer's report was then given. PDG Eddie McMillian moved to approve the financial report; PDG Virgie Mitchell seconded. The financial report was accepted as presented.

A report on Membership/Retention was given by PDG Scott Evans.

The meeting was recessed at 9:53am for the District 2E-1 Tissue and Eye Bank Annual Meeting.

The afternoon session was called to order at 2:00pm by DG Dean Vernon.

A discussion and question and answer session was presided over by ID Dr. Jeremiah "Doc" Myers.

The following reports were given:

- Texas Lions Camp.....PDG Hal Griffin
- Texas Lions Foundation.....PDG Eddie McMillian
- LCI Foundation.....IPDG Doris Kendrick
- Information Technology.....Lion Bob Nelson
- US/Canada Forum.....Lion Mary Beth Sharp

PDG James Wheeler reported on the Constitution and By-laws Committee.

PDG Billy Woods presented the following resolutions offered by the Resolutions Committee:

Resolution #1 expressing our sincere appreciation and gratitude to Governor Dean Vernon and the members of his Cabinet for their leadership, inspiration and encouragement during this past year of Lionism in District 2E-1

Resolution #2 expressing appreciation and gratitude to International Director "Doc" Meyers for his participation at the Convention.

Resolution #3 expressing appreciation to Convention Committee, Boy Scout Troop 103, Eastland High School, and the citizens of Eastland for gracious hospitality, accommodations, facilities and meals during the Convention.

Resolution #4 expressing appreciation and gratitude to the congregation of the First Baptist church of Eastland for their hospitality.

Resolution #5 expressing appreciation to all of the participants in this year's District 2E-1 Youth contests.

Resolution #6 expressing appreciation to all the Lions involved in establishing new clubs in Stamford, and Campus Clubs at Hardin Simmons, McMurray and Abilene Christian Universities.

A motion was made by PDG James Wheeler and seconded by PDG Lauren Cambell to accept all the Resolutions as presented.

Reports from the following Convention Committees were given:

- Nominations.....PDG Eddie McMillian
- Credentials.....PDG Hal Griffin
- Election.....PCC/PDG C. Lee Smith

Campaign Speeches:

Lion John Golden nominated Lion Charles Graf for Director of the Texas Lions Camp for the term of 2009-2011. Seconded by Lion Donna Moore.

PDG Tom Ward nominated Lion Sue Loder for the office of 2nd Vice District Governor for the term of 2009-2010. Seconded by PDG Doris Kendrick.

Lion Carol Stroud nominated Lion Hugh Stroud for the office of 1st Vice District Governor for the term of 2009-2010. Seconded by PDG Billy Wood.

Lion Larry White nominated VDG Tom Isbell for the office of District Governor for the term of 2009-2010. Seconded by Lion Joe Hailey.

The floor was given to IPDG Doris Kendrick.

DG Dean Vernon nominated PID Mike Butler for 2nd Vice President of Lions International for the term of 2010-2011. Seconded by PDG Lauren Cambell.

The floor was given back to DG Dean Vernon.

Cambell to move the start of the Election from 4:45pm to 4:00pm. Seconded by PDG Virgie Mitchell.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45pm with a motion by PDG Eddie McMillian and a second by PDG Hal Griffin.

The evening session was the District Governor's Banquet. The keynote speaker was ID Dr. Jeremiah "Doc" Meyers. Following his remarks the Queens Contest was held. The gavel was passed to District governor elect Tom Isbell.

Election results:

- District Governor.....Tom Isbell
- 1st Vice District Governor.....Hugh Stroud
- 2nd Vice District Governor.....Sue Loder
- Texas Lions Camp Director.....Charles Graf

Queen Contestants:

- Betsy Wright (Vernon)
- Tonya Decker (Bryson)
- Emily Power (Breckenridge)
- Lindsey Stephens (Olney)
- Courtney Cross (Jacksboro)
- Hailey Patterson(Stephenville)
- Kateland Simmons (Eastland)

Queen Contest Results:

- Queen.....Hailey Patterson
- 1st Runner-up.....Lindsey Stephens

Respectfully submitted,
Gordon Woolam
District Secretary/Treasury