

MINUTES OF THE 10-2-2009 CHAPTER MEETING OF
MINNESOTA CHAPTER 18 QWEST PIONEERS
Minneapolis, 2800 Wayzata MINNESOTA

In Attendance: Roger Hanson Harry Osborn LaVaughn Osborn
Al Barthel Carol Barthel Dave Hemmer
Barb Hemmer Pat Jeukens Lee Poirier
Ruby Wilson Jan Swenson Gary Greb
Bob Lewis Joan Lewis Ralph Hunstad
Ada Hunstad Jo Ann Cooper Chet Nettetstad
Mary Nemec Leatrice Hecht Charles Hecht
Mary Ann Neuman Cindy Barnes Qwest Pioneers VP.

Harry opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

Secretary's minutes were accepted

Treasurer's report was read by Carol Barthel for Al.

Motion made to approve by Dave Hemmer and motion seconded by Pat Jeukens - Motion approved.

Awards - Vacant

Calendar Thank you for volunteering to sell our Caring and Sharing Calendars.

As you know, the pioneer organization is a 501c-3 organization. As such, we are exempt from many of the procedures required by the Minnesota Gambling Board. However we are subject to a periodic audit. This year we cut back to only 1500 calendars printed.

We must ask that you take responsibility for the calendars you are taking for sale. We need to have back, NO LATER THAN the 15th of January 2010, the complete 3 part stub with payment for each calendar sold along with the check or cash you received during the sale. PLEASE WRITE THE CALENDAR NUMBER ON THE CHECK RECEIVED. Or we need an accounting of the unsold calendars to be picked up.

It is not necessary to fill out all three stubs with all information. Please be sure that the information is readable or print it carefully in one of the other stubs.

It is important that you turn in your calendar sales as soon as possible. All of the information must be entered into a data base and that is a time consuming task.

If you redistribute calendars for others to sell, we ask that you advise us to transfer the calendar numbers from your account to the person that you gave them to sell. This will allow us to track any missing calendars so that we can have a proper accounting of the sales.

You can report a transfer by e-mail to rogerhanson@bevcomm.net or by telephone to: 952.292.4425 cell or 952.758.4266 home.

Sold stubs and proceeds should be mailed, weekly would be nice to:

Minnesota, Chapter 18 Telcom Pioneers % Jan Swenson
210 South 5th Street Room 260
Minneapolis, MN 55402

Good Luck and remember each sale earns money for your club and we give away four (4) \$1000. Scholarships.

Submitted by Caring and Sharing Co-chairmen Ralph Hunstad and Roger Hanson

Community Service, Vacant

Cookbooks/Scholarships Jan delivered cook books for Arrowhead. Paula did not have a report.

EZ Help 911 Not much activity except to re-distribute cell phones to seniors who were originally given analog cell phones.

45 cell phones given to White Bear Lake

246 cell phones were donated by the City of Bloomington Senior Center

I have had numerous inquiries from the Minneapolis area, but to date no seminars for this area are scheduled yet.

The Family Campers Wagonmaster, .

Wagonmaster report October 1, 2009

We had a great Fall Campout the August 20, 21, 22, 23 at South Isle Family Campground.

We had 15 campers attend and two couples stayed in motel in Isle Minnesota.

We dined out at Buzzie's on the Bay Restaurant on Friday and on Saturday night had a pot luck supper

Our group approved donating \$100.00 to the charity of choice of each camporee host. Roger and Kathy Hanson, hosts of this campout, donated their \$100.00 to the Mobile Food Shelf.

At the International TPFC rally Sept. 13-18 at Berrien Springs, Michigan, There were 9 campers and one couple stayed at a motel from the 10,000 Lakes Family Camper Group. About 105 RV's from around the U.S. and Canada had registered for the event.

Dave arranged for and installed a wireless network to supply internet access to Campers that wanted it.

I assisted Dave in the configuration of the routers remotely.

At our last meeting Roger Houg agreed to continue on as Assistant Wagon Master. He advised us that due to previous commitments he will not be able to come to most Spring Campouts.

MS TRAM- Was attended by Many Campers.

Dave Hemmer reported Kathy Hanson, captain of the Pioneers Riding Team, was successful in their endeavor to raise money for MS.

Dave indicated the great time the Family Campers had working Rest Stop 3. The commemorative buttons raised \$704.00.

Kathy Hanson reported there was an 8 member team of riders who rode from Ortonville to Welch Village. The team reached a \$11,000 goal through fund raisers and donations. Kathy thanked Dave Hemmer for his prolific fund raising efforts.

2010 Campouts:

The Spring- Campout, near Sauk Center, will be hosted by Zig and Marge Carlson.

Zig reported this campground will be different. The fee will be reasonable. The camping fee will be by donation.

The Fall Campout will be hosted by Bob and Ginny Boom at St. Croix Haven near Hinckley.

The annual Mystery Trip has no volunteers to be hosts at this time. The Trip is always scheduled for the 3rd week end in September.

Host to be determined later.

A suggestion was made and approved by the members to continue meeting in the fall and winter season. We will meet in December and February for a dinner, luncheon, or tour in the middle of the week. Denny and Annette Houg will host the first Pioneer dinner in October. Dallas and Lorna Leier will host in November.

Bill Lovegren

Life Member Rep: Harry & LaVaughn went to Duluth for the Motor Cycle ride. They were the only car in the ride. Also attended meetings in Austin and Ottowana.

Management Liaison; John Stanoch and Andy Schriener not present.

Membership Committee : Absent

MS TRAM – Chapter report – MS TRAM Co Chair Dave Hemmer – Famous Rest Stop #3
Kathy Hanson – Wheel Deals, on a Qwest for a cure riding team Captain

Rest Stop #3

This year Pioneers sold Commemorative buttons. We were able to re-pay the Chapter \$469.00 for the cost of the Buttons. We donated over \$700.00 to the MS Society.

Rest Stop #3 was the best on the tram. We served over 800 riders each day. Providing this service helps the riders complete their job of raising close to One million dollars for the MS Society. Our volunteers contributed 1,010 hours. Active employees 10 hours, Life members 386 hours, Life member partners 403 hours, Family Campers 708 hours, and non-Pioneers 211 hours.

Wheel Deals – on a Qwest for a Cure

This year we truly experienced the meaning of **T**he **R**ide **A**cross **M**innesota. We rode in beautiful weather from the western boarder at Ortonville, MN to the east side of the state at Welch Village.

Our team of 8 riders completed the ride and collected nearly \$11,000 dollars in Pledges.

Team member Al Barthel managed a personal record high of over \$3,000 dollars.

Kathy & Roger Hanson, Gary Greb, Josh, Maureen, Laura, & Shawn Lyons all collected pledges over \$1,000 dollars each.

Thank you for your help in moving toward a world free of MS! We hope to see you in July 2010.

For volunteer information contact Dave Hemmer 320-253-8400

Submitted by Dave Hemmer & Kathy Hanson

Participation Chair

PALS OCTOBER 2, 2009

Since the first of the year we have 40,196 hours. We are way down from last year. I did take the on line web based class about a month ago as they changed the whole PALS program.

Submitted by

Carol Barthel

Power Up to Read/Readers For Life: Only thing to report is that we have given the Power Up to Read books to the last 3-4 school that we did Readers for Life Presentations to for the 2008/2009 school year. We still have some books and teachers guides that we will again give to the contact teacher(s) during the 2009/2010 School year as we do the Readers for Life Program.

Readers of Life- Several school contacted us the end of the 2008/2009 School year indicating an interest in being part of the Readers for Life Program. Brainerd is an area that we planned on doing now since the end of the 2007/2008 school with De Manion. Qwest Spirit team brought up the location. Donna and Jan are working with Pat Jeukens and her cousin to set up a date this fall for that area.

We did a Readers for Life fund raiser (taco's) in the 200 S 5th , Mpls location in conjunction with a Membership Drive and a Metro Council fund raiser for "Birthday in a Bag" on Thursday, September 17th. We raised \$123.71 after expenses and will try to do another fund raiser in October.

Jan Swenson

Project Connect: no report

Web Master -

Let's start promoting the web site via the Qwestpioneers.org site using www.qwestpioneers.org/minnesota

Site total	5105	Page hits as of 10/1/09
Chapter Minutes	145	
Meetings	83	
Councils & Clubs	106	
Exec. Board	347	
Projects	335	
Arrowhead Council	113	
Central Council	118	
Lakes Council	32	
Hawathaland Council	44	
Mpls. Life Members	112	
Metro Council	95	
Western Plains	32	
Current News	1424	
Products for Sale	116	
Family Campers	365	
Links	112	
Calendar Winners	1356	
Web Master	51	
Just Pictures	991	
Qwest Benefits	148	
Go Green updates	44	

Chapter Board, Council Officers, and Pioneer members may post meetings, events, projects, or other items on the Chapter Web Site by contacting Dave Hemmer.

Overall web site hits are showing a level trend

Projects, executive board, Just Pictures, & Calendar winners are all very good
44 go green membership info updates were submitted via the web page

I think we can get a boost in web site use if we all promote its use at our various meetings and projects. And keep the web site in everyone's mind by including the web address in all our emails and correspondence.

Keep lots of local and current information posted on the web.

Remember the preferred URL to list on your emails, letterhead, business cards, & flyers is www.qwestpioneers.org/minnesota

Submitted by Dave Hemmer, Webmaster

Council/Club Reports:

Arrowhead:

ARROWHEAD COUNCIL – QWEST PIONEERS

JoAnn Cooper –

This was our Second annual motorcycle ride. Saturday, July 11th, in Carlton MN. Registration took place at the Third Base Bar at 10:00, departing at 11.

Filling Backpacks:

This is something we have just been approached to take part in, Qwest Communications have offered to provide the backpacks. We would purchase the items needed. In the Duluth area, the school in need is a High School, so we are anxious to hear more about the number needed and what items we would be purchasing. This project was completed with the CWA and Qwest pioneers.

JoAnn reported that Duluth never received any of the Backpacks purchased by the Chapter and Councils. Karen is going to check on this

Central:

Central report: June 12, 2009 – St Cloud MN.

Since the last Chapter meeting we contributed almost 500 hours to our community as follows:

EZ Help	48 hours	65 phones in – 30 phones given out.
Knitting Chemo Caps	92 hours	Delivered 60 caps in April
Talking Books	150 hours	Repaired 37 machines
Wellness Bags	145 hours	255 Wellness Bags were given out

Computer Assistance 20 hours

175 Hug A Bears were given out

Our members also Volunteered at Chore Club, Options, Food Shelf, Red Cross, Nursing Home, Life Lines, Vets Cemetery, Hospital, but the hours have not yet been reported.

We have a ramp job scheduled for June 24th at 8 AM. Address 301 7th Ave S. – St Cloud, MN.
Volunteers bring screw guns and tools. Lunch will be provided.
Marlyn Beaudine is Chairman. MWCJBEAU@msn.com - Phone: 320-253-6232 Mobile: 320-267-7752
We continue to collect EZ Help 911 cell phones and distribute them to our Senior Citizens. 142 have been collected and 66 distributed since our last Chapter meeting.
No meetings are planned at this time
Report respectfully submitted by:
Dave Hemmer - Central Council President

Harley Forsythe Life Member Club Bob Lewis
Report from Harley Forsythe Life Member Club
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Third Quarter - 2009

This summer my partner and I had an opportunity to spend one day with many Pioneers giving aid and comfort to over 1000 riders at REST STOP THREE during the MS Tram. It was a rewarding experience. Because of the effort of Central Councils, Dave Hemmer REST STOP THREE is by far the best rest stop on the Tram.

Our Life Member Pioneer year began with our annual picnic held at Riverside Park on August 11. We had 55 Life Member Pioneers attend. In addition to those from our council we had Vollie and Betty Sanders (long time active Pioneers from Minneapolis) join us.
In September we had a luncheon meeting in Princeton, at the Frontier Steak House. Sixteen Life Members from the Princeton area and four from St Cloud attended. We updated the members as to community service opportunities and encouraged their participation.

Our agenda for the remaining meetings follow:

All Pioneers are invited and especially Chapter Officers.

October 13—Luncheon Meeting in Sauk Centre, 11 AM Social Hour—12 Noon Lunch at the Palmer House.

November 10---9AM Breakfast Meeting in St Cloud at Downtown Perkins.

December 8---Christmas Party/Meeting, Whitney Senior Center in St Cloud at 2PM
2010:

January 12---9AM Breakfast Meeting in St Cloud at Downtown Perkins.

February 9---Valentine Meeting/Party at 2PM Whitney Senior Center in St Cloud

March 9 ---9AM Breakfast Meeting in St Cloud at Downtown Perkins.

April 13---Luncheon Meeting in Little Falls.

Respectfully submitted

Bob Lewis

President, Harley Forsythe Life Member Club

Lakes: Mary Nemeč & Chet Nettestad Co-Presidents.

The Lakes Council had a Pie and Coffee get together 44 people attended and planned projects for the different communities. Detroit Lakes, Fergus Falls, Pelican Rapids, Park Rapids, Wadena. We have helped with the food shelves, Salvation Army, Meals on Wheels, Senior Citizens Projects. We have worked with Oaks Organized Acts, Rec Center for Seniors that increased senior meals by 50%. We also helped with computer training for people of diversity to get there unemployment payments. Detroit Lakes worked on Birthday Bags.

Lois Thelen's Granddaughter was in a car accident and is listed on Careing Bridge Web site. Her name is Flynn Murray. Lois's Phone #218.2847.6287.

From the Greater Lakes Council and Still Pioneering. Chet Nettestad

Hiawathaland

Hiawathaland Council Report, September 23rd, 2009

The Hiawathaland Council meeting was held on September 23rd, 2009.

Brian Beckstrand, Historical Chairman, reported that there were 888 visitors to the Telephone Museum at the Mower County Fairgrounds. Retiree Ken Schaub of Austin has volunteered to assist next year.

The Annual Members Picnic was held at Medford Park on August 8th. Turnout was low this year and very little was sold by the fund raising committee. The City of Medford returned the check for the park rental due to our good record of leaving the park clean and in light of the donations we have made over the years.

The location for the Membership Luncheon has changed this year due to a large rental fee the Senior Center has decided to charge. The Eagles Club offered the best prices and has a large area where we can hold the annual bazaar.

Pat Sable and Diane Rueb have continued Operation Nice by mailing boxes to our soldier in Iraq once a month.

Janet and Eddie Lozon agreed to become Literacy Chairpersons and began by donating 4 boxes of school supplies that were collected at the picnic to Randolph School. They are going to keep track of schools that have received donations and also keep a list of schools for future donations. They will continue with their work after the first of the year.

Pam and Cam Helder replaced the memorial park benches in Pine Island. The old ones were deteriorating badly and were unsafe.

Harry Osborne reported that the International Beep Ball Tournament will be held in Rochester again in 2010.

The much disputed \$500.00 advance has been returned to the PAC in Denver. Treasurer Alice Dulitz is working with Sara Powell to establish an annual working fund that will be drawn at the beginning of each year and returned at the end of the year.

Donations were made to the following organizations: St. Peter Regional Center - \$150.00
Medford City Park - \$50.00

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Wilson
President, Hiawathaland Council

Metro -

Birthday in a Bag were brought to the St. Louis Food Shelf. We received donated books. They received bags from CO, Lerner will donate comic books which will be coming shortly. There are not many paper donations so they are having purchase them. The St. Paul SOS team is no longer active.

The cell phone project is recycling phones and the monies are coming directly to the Council for the Therapy Ball fundraising for Bethune.

The Chapter served a meal for the Ronald McDonald House on May 31st.

Harry - The Military and IA Flood monies will need to be disbursed. The Duluth Poker Run will be held on July 11th. Minutes need to be sent to the Chapter once a month and membership money will be disbursed based on this. Projects need to be updated on the web page. The Chapter news letter has not yet been written and/or approved for disbursement. It will hopefully go out by mid August and again in Jan. or Feb. There have been responses regarding receiving mailings: 1000 want electronic information and 500 want paper. Ten tote bags will be used for a

membership drive. Pat Jeukens stated that Pat does not know if he will run for President in 2010.

Gary made a motion to donate \$200 to the MS Society in his name for the MS Tram, Mary Ann seconded, Motion carried.

Old Business

Birthday in a Bag thank yours were shared. Talk to Gary about media coverage for assembling of bags. There will be a fundraiser on 7-31 for Ronald McDonald and anything collected over \$325 will be donated to Prepared to Learn.. Pat will try to set up a fundraiser in Anoka

Mary Ann made a motion to fund a Ronald McDonald meal on October 31st not to exceed \$400 and Jill seconded, motion carried. The Metro Council will serve the dinner. We need about 8 people. Jill will chair and check for specifics on what we need and can do and Pat will schedule the day. We will need to prepare enough food for approximately 100 people (48 families) This is Halloween so we may be able to come up with some fun foods to prepare; Goulash, etc.

New Business

Mary Ann made a motion to donate \$150 for a walk for Down Syndrome in the name of Landon Holtz and Sally seconded, Motion carried.

Gary made a motion to donate \$200 to the American Cancer Society Walk for Freedom Walkers and Kathy seconded, motion carried.

Pat made a motion to donate \$250 to the Prepared to Learn Project for reusable lunch bags and Gary seconded, motion carried.

Donated pencils will be used to help fill the Metro Council back pack project. We will continue to support our projects with St. Joseph, Home Free and St. Ann's. Mary Ann made a motion to allocate up to \$300 to purchase school supplies for 60 back packs and Gary seconded, motion carried. An additional motion was made on August 10th by Pat to purchase 30 backpacks up to \$150 plus tax and Joanne seconded, motion carried.

Pat made a motion to donate \$100 to the Adam Bauman foundation and Ruby seconded, motion carried.

The daughters of US Bank employees are doing a cake and frosting fundraiser for Birthday in a Bag through their Day Care. The proceeds will be donated to Women's Innovations on Grand Av. In St. Paul. In early September there will be a fundraiser in the Downtown building and employees will play Plinko for prizes. There will also be a fundraiser in Anoka (date not yet established).

Sheryl discussed the criteria for our awards program. We will once again send in Birthday in a Bag with fundraising being the subject we will work on. We will need to know how many volunteers are Pioneers, new members and other community folks. We will also be sending Ronald McDonald House breakfast bags which will become McBreakfast Express. MN has won many of our awards due to Sheryl's write ups on the packets.

There will be a Prepared to Learn backpack stuffing on August 24th, 4:00 pm at the Stinson building. All volunteers are welcome. We will need a receipt for our \$250 donation for the lunch bags, to be given to Kathy.

For the Metro Council school supply drive, Lee has folders and will bring them to our next meeting. Ruby made a motion to donate no more than \$150 and tax to purchase additional backpacks and Sally seconded, motion carried.

Jill will have specific information for us at the next meeting regarding our Ronald McDonald dinner which will be on October 31st. Jill will send out a request for volunteers between now and our next meeting.

New Business

Lee brought in some new shirts for us to look at. All new Pioneer shirts have Qwest on the

sleeve. She will find out additional information on prices and get back to us. Harry Osborn has been handing out shirts and we need to find out what is left at the next Chapter meeting.

Ruby made a motion to donate \$400 to the Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center Auxiliary for the Beauty Shop in the Mall and Mary Ann seconded, motion carried.

Metro Life - We did a boat trip in June we had 35 people attend. Had a great time with box lunches. Received a half hour of History of the area and a 90 minute boat ride.

On September 23, we went to the OLD LOG Theater and saw "Funny Money" great play. before the play we had our Fall meeting . Mary Ann stated Margie Paul, Sister of Mary Paul, or One of the cookie ladies was not expected to live and she did pass away on Friday, September 25th.

Next meeting in November will be the last one for 2009. We will bring Toes for Joe's

Sept was School supplies

May was Birthday in a Bag

March was Food shelf.

Pat Jeukens; .

Western Plain:

Here are the items that were discussed and handled at our last meeting in the spring.

Ralph reported that the Northern Spring Fling went well. 28 Pioneers and partners attended.

Honored requests for funds...

Windom Area Hospital \$300.00 towards special lights in the OB Wing.

Girls and Boys Founders Campaign in Montevideo \$150.00

Boy Scouts in Montevideo \$100. Stop Pollution in City Chippewa County Historical Society \$300.00

Building repair.

Girl Scouts in Montevideo \$100.00

Monti Fiesta in Montevideo \$100.00 Parade entry.

(Proceeds from Ralph's sale of calendars up North.)

Plans are underway for a Fall Fling in the Southern portion of Council.

Next meeting Wednesday October 15th.

Regards, Jodie New email jodie69@hotmail.com

OLD BUSINESS:

In the first part of June we received an email in the evening saying there would be a conference call the next day at 10am discussing a project on lunch bags. I wasn't able to be on the call because of another commitment but Carol was able to be on it. I don't know who said what on the

conference call but Carol informed me that the Pioneers would spend \$1000.00 on reusable lunch bags. The Chapter would spend \$500.00 and the councils would kick in the rest. Which councils would contribute and how much, I don't know but Arrowhead and Metro would contribute \$100.00 and \$250.00.

I immediately got a \$500.00 check from the Chapter and two \$50.00 checks made out to Prepare to Learn. I had no idea what to do with those checks so they sat on our cupboard for two months. Then I learned that the company would make deposits into our chapter account and draw out the money as needed. It was all done through me and vouchers were made out for advances. I kept track of all the money deposited and withdrawn. All advances I have to say have been cleared. No problem until some checks came back to the chapter with NSF, Now we have to adjust the balance, no problem.

The lunch bags, who ordered what? It was according to Carol the Pioneers would order 1000 bags at \$1.00 each. Midway through Karen Jothen said the cost of the bags rose to \$2.00 a bag. How can they go from \$1.00 to \$2.00 after the order is placed?

Then Pat Juekens said we would only order 500. When was the order changed to 500 bags, right away or after they had 527 bags prepared. Anyway we got 527 bags and then the bill. Karen Jothen forwarded me the bill and said it could be paid as soon as possible. Well, I can't pay the bill without an approved voucher. The total bill was \$1,257.42, or more than 20% over. Needless to say I contacted the presidents of the two councils who hadn't paid yet transferred their portion of the money to the Chapter. I also called Karen Jothen and told her this should be a tax exempt project. In the mean time I get a message from a Pioneer that they had a fundraiser in which they raised \$73.00 for Prepare to Learn. I added that into my totals but then I found out it was included in the Metro Council total. Then I received word that it wasn't in the totals. As of this day I don't know where the \$73.00 is, but I am thinking it is in the Metro Council account.

Then the second bill came. The bill had been reduced down to \$1,166.74 subtracting the tax. It is now September 17, and I emailed the two councils that have not transferred money into the "Prepare to Learn" account. I have not heard a word from them. Karen said "Please process at your earliest convenience". I now have \$500.00 from the Chapter, \$250.00 from the Metro Council, \$100.00 from Arrowhead Council, and \$50.00 each from Central and Hiawathaland for a total of \$950.00. We still have to come up with \$216.00 before I can pay the bill in full.

The next problem is, the company has \$89.69 remaining, so Karen Jothen put in a voucher for that amount to cover her expenses. Now I find out there is either a \$120.00 or \$240.00 deficit because of a check that bounced. Had two checks earlier that bounced and one was taken care of but not sure about the other one. I am assuming Karen will try to recover her amount for the NSF checks. Before any bill get paid, it will have to be approved to pay the extra, a voucher made out, approved and sent to me. This has been a nightmare.

Also around July 28 I got a bill for caps and I was supposed to pay it. It came via email. I knew that there had been a motion to pay \$400.00 for promotional items by the chapter. On June 15th, I paid \$301.68 for tee shirts for the chapter account. Then I received a bill I can't remember who saying we orders hats for \$160.40. Here again is about 20% overrun. What should I do? I talked to Harry about it and he said "pay it" and we can get approved at the next meeting. I don't do business that way. I told him I would wait until the next meeting. Without a budget or without it being approved at a meeting, and without it not being on an approved voucher I won't pay it.

Carol said "Just send the books to the Chapter Office and say "screw it" I would be done with the treasurer's job". I say: I am in it for the long haul but I sure would like it if I didn't encounter all these surprises. You can vote me out of office if you want."

I have heard from the Western Plains President on Sept. 21, 2009 and he said will just table it till the meeting since Jody is going to be there. Okay with me.

The Prepare to Learn Project:

Karen deposited \$8024.00. She withdrew \$7934.31. Leaving a balance of 89.69. There are either one or two checks issued with NSF leaving us a debit of -\$30.31 or -\$150.31. I thought Karen would apply the \$89.69 to the bags but she also has a voucher (that is just sitting on my computer) submitter for the \$89.69 to recover her expenses. I will forward that voucher to the PAC when she gets the NSF checks cleared up.

Jan made a motion to pay \$215.00 up to \$250.00 to cover the expenses on the Bags.
Pat seconded. Motion carried.

Dave made a motion to pay the \$164.40 for the Hats that were ordered.
Ralph seconded. Motion carried.

Jan brought up and old motion to transferred \$2500.00 from Chapter to Readers for Life. Pat Sec.

There was also discussion on \$500.00 request for money. Jan sent the following note to be attached to minutes.

“Here is what I recall about the Minnesota Chapter 18 policy of having a 60 Day notice for requests of funds/donations for projects was in stated in the late 1900’s(1997, 1998 time frame) Several requests for large donations requests were being presented at the Chapter meetings for projects that benefited a small percent of the state. We asked for a 60 day notice so the board members could look at the request and be ready for discussions before voting. Along with that 60 day notice we asked that the Council/Club requesting the donation show what support they were providing from their Councils(both Monetary and Financial). There has generally not been a problem with that policy and I don’t recall any time when the Chapter did not approve requests.”

NEW BUSINESS:

Cindy Barnes informed us we needed 4 delegates to the Annual Assembly in Atlanta, GA, in Feb 26 & 27, 2010. 2 will attend the Assembly and 2 will be Proxy voters.

Chet made a motion to have Harry go as a delegate. Dave sec. After much discussion Chet with drew his motion.

Chet made new motion to have Pat Jeukens and Gary Greb attend with Harry as an alternate if Gary can’t attend.

Dave sec. Motion carried.

Roger made motion for Jan Swenson and JoAnn Cooper be the proxy voters.

Lee sec. Motion carried.

Cindy also stated we all need badges up dated to cover all Qwest building we need access into.

Peep Ball coming up in August 1-5, 2010 in Rochester, MN. Kathy Hanson is Head of Club. We will be working with her. Need to be looking for groups to help with expenses. It was suggested Loins Clubs helped at other touraments.

Al also advised us that the Candy sold along with the nuts is a taxable item. The nuts are not taxable. If we summit vouchers to Sarah she will figure them out for us.

It was determined all Councils have turned in reports making them eligible for quarterly payments.

Meeting adjourned 2:50 pm

Next meeting will Dec 11, 2009 at 2800 Wayzata Blvd.

After meeting Cindy Barnes along with Trish Zimmerman. Presented:

**ANNUAL REGION TRAINING
MINNESOTA 2009**

CONFIDENT	COMMITTED	CONNECTED	
Region	Office Space	2008 Milestones	2009 To Do List
Developing a Business Plan		Participation Report Hours	
Environmental Impact		2009 Website	
Print and on line Newsletter		Events	E-Store
Fact Sheet	Branding Guidelines	Pals System Access.	
Bylaws	Name Usage	Media	Dues Distribution

She also presents an overview on Power up to Read (PUTR) and Non-Profit Status.
Covered 2009 Qwest Pioneer "To Do" list.

1. Engage Members
2. Grow and Retain Membership
3. Strengthen Communication with Members
4. It's Your Qwest.

Presented us with: Rules of Operation For Chapters of Telecom Pioneers and Telecom Pioneers Bylaws.