

## District 4-A2 Central Region Brainstorming Recap.

First let me say thank you to everyone who attended the first district meeting and participated in our Central Region Huddle. I love the collaborative spirit everyone came with and look forward to working with everyone this year! As your Region Chair I am here for any questions, concerns, challenges or championing you may need. Please don't hesitate to reach out and if I don't have an answer or solution I promise you to follow up with one. I also look forward to learning from all of you.

### I remind each of you during your journey this year to R.O.A.R!

**R = Raise Each Other Up**

**O = Opportunities are everywhere, keep an open heart and mind**

**A = Appreciate Every Minute**

**R = Renew your energy, remember to take care of yourself**

### **Recap From our meeting:**

Our district focus this year is on membership and strengthening our clubs. The 4 points our district governor Cheri asked us to brainstorm on were: Service, Membership, Extension, and Learning. Here is what the group found important to consider in those areas. Please add anything I may have missed or correct me if I misinterpreted anything.

**Service:** Looks for ops to grow service in our district. Some clubs may not be able to physically do service projects though they have the ideas.

- Looks for ways to involve other clubs to support, provide man power where needed.
- There is more than one way to be a Lion, encourage scaling work to those available to do the work

**Membership:** We need to focus our efforts around engaging the younger potential Lion and families.

- Messaging should include how being a Lion is not only a great way to serve your community but can also provide professional and personal growth opportunities.
- Learn leadership, organizational, problem solving and people management skills.
- Engage young families to become part of the Lion by being inclusive at meetings, advertising that meetings are family friendly.
- Look at hosting a region wide Family Day, ask clubs to participate so families can see the breadth of options out there for joining.

**Learning:** Look at ways we can get more timely learning available to Lions on a regular basis.

- Have a Train the Trainer class, help instructors to take into account learning is different for many people, making it difficult for some to absorb the materials. Look at ways to be more engaging, material appropriate styles i.e..hands on and/or work along with the instructor rather than being lectured to.
- Teach open question skills, giving those learning the opportunity to figure out what they are learning versus just being told what to do.
- Look at finding Subject Matter Experts across the district who are willing to be instructors. Set up a calendar of classes they would like to teach and when they are available. Don't set a designated class size, let it be small or larger, allow the instructor to set a limit if need be. Allowing for more intimate and one on one learning.
- Class on Roberts Rule of Order would be good for all.

**Extension:** Reaching out more to clubs who may be struggling to see what we can do to support them. Ties into the service elements above.

- Additionally Clubs that are just doing OK should be looked after too as this can change in a moment's notice.
- Look at how we utilize what Strong clubs are doing to help others
- Look at ways to be mentors

**Future Ideas:**

Salt /Light planter boxes: \$500 per box, Lion Suzy and Visalia Pride Lions along with the West Coast Indian Cyber Lions Lions. (x2) \$500 grants have been approved to date. The hope is to build out 24 boxes at \$500 each. Look at ways to make this a Region/District project.

Set up a Family Day picnic with all Region Clubs.

Set up Region Meeting in Sept