

March 10, 2014



Edmonton Chinese Lions Club
Meeting Minutes
Century Palace Restaurant

Lions in Attendance: Angie Loo, Dan Chow, Eugene Chow, Leah Henderson, Stacey Chan, Al Chow, Douglas Lim, Bob Hiew, Darcy Knoll, Barry Jo, Peter Chiong, Fong Chia, Jessica Ng, Moses Ling, Lisa Han, Michael Gee, **New Member:** Avau Fast, **Guests:** Councillor Amargeet Sohi, Ian Button, Lily Walsh, Linda Mah, Ken Mah, Elain Chew, Benedict Chew, Nadia DeVenz, Li-Kwong Cheah, Sally Chan, Wendy Lu, Martine Desrochers, Sidan Yu, Yan Lin, Terrence (child), Huiy Tang, Ben Chew, Elaine Chew, David Teo, Sandeep Jadnav, Ian Barton, Marta Collier, Joe Collier, Mae Mak, Holly Romanchuk, Lily Welsh, Mike Willwaud, Daren Tso

1. **Called to Order** 6:00 by President Lion Angie
2. **Welcome and Greetings**
3. **Self Introductions**
4. **Approval of Agenda** was motioned by Lion Douglas, 2nd by Lion Darcy
5. **Adoption of February 10 minutes** as per circulated by email was motioned by Lion Douglas, 2nd by Lion Darcy
6. **Lion Bob: Introduced Guest Speaker**
7. **Guest Speaker: Councillor Amargeet Sohi** spoke publicly tonight for the first time telling his life changing experience while on a trip to India at the age of 23. He was apprehended by the authorities as a terrorist and tortured physically and mentally. Even though there was proof he was innocent and no charges were laid they kept him in prison within horrible conditions for 21 months. This personal and painful story defined who he now is and vows to take steps to ensure what happened to him does not happen to another. He will help further build a community that embraces diversity ensuring employment, accessible programs and preventing discrimination. Mr Sohi says Canada is truly one of the best places to live because we have done things differently than other countries and have the ability to embrace our differences in the true spirit of multiculturalism. *Thank you Mr. Sohi for sharing your story with our club and making such difference in our community!*
8. **President Angie:** Presentation of Appreciation to Councillor Amargeet Sohi
9. 5 minute break
10. **Film on Lionism making a difference worldwide.**
11. President Angie brought a **birthday cake** for all Lions with birthdays in January, February and March. Happy Birthday!!!!
12. President Angie announced the **Alpha Leo club information night** will be on Thursday, [Mar 19](#) at 6:00 pm at Dynasty and welcomes all members to come out. If you have any friends or relatives that have children under this age group; please invite them to come.
13. **Meeting adjourned** at 7:15
14. **Dinner and fellowship**

Next Meeting is Tuesday, March 24 ~

Every month there is an executive meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of the month and on the 4th Tuesday is a general meeting. For both meetings all members are welcome to participate. Each meeting is at the Dynasty Century Palace unless otherwise mentioned.