

MINUTES OF THE MD19 SPRING COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS' MEETING

May 25, 2017

Isabel MacInnes Ballroom, UBC, Canada

The Council Meeting was called to order by Council Chairperson Enoch Rowland at 8:30 am. Invocation was given by District Governor Monte Ward, 19-G. Introductions of the Council and Vice District Governors were made at this time.

The following Lions, Lioness, and Guests were in attendance and signed the Attendance Sheets.

I. Council of Governors

Enoch Rowland, Council Chairperson
Jon Whitman, Vice Council Chairperson
Al Beddows, Past Council Chairperson
Patty Allen, Executive Secretary-Treasurer
Simon Yau, District Governor 19-A
Mar Murillo, District Governor, 19-B
Jan Weatherly, District Governor 19-C
Wanda Carisse, District Governor 19-D
Glen Barry, District Governor 19-E
David Walk, District Governor 19-F
Monte Ward, District Governor 19-G
John Moralek, District Governor 19-H
Alan Guy, District Governor 19-I
Eric Keller, PDG 19-A
Janet Rinehart, PDG 19-B
Al Hedstrom, PDG 19-C
Bob Yeoman, PDG 19-F
Viva Metz, PDG 19-F
J.D. Nellor, PDG 19-G
Don Wight, PDG 19-H
Brian Phillips, PDG 19-I

II. MD19 Committee Chairpersons & Appointees

PDG Brien Patton, Budget & Finance
PDG Bob Yeoman, CARE
PDG Steve Somerset, Centennial Coordinator-BC
PDG J.D. Nellor, Centennial Coordinator-US
PZC Nancy Sorensen, Contests & Awards
PDG Bob Ayotte, Leadership
PDG Al Hedstrom, Faculty Development
PDG Brian Phillips, Leader. 101 / Member. 201
PCC Al Beddows, Training
PDG Kathy Crawford, Public Relations
Lion Nancy Messmer, Environment
Lion Barry Shiles, LEO / CLERC
PDG Rosemary Richert, Parliamentarian
PDG Paul Kauzlarich, Strategic Planning

III. Foundations & Societies

PCC Gary Reidel, MD19 Lions Service & Leader. FDN

IV. Lions, Lioness, Leos and Guests

2 nd VDG Wayne Atkinson, 19-D	PCC Allan Hunt	PID Roger Richert
Lion Michele Barrie	ZCE Malcolm Jones	Lion Parveen Sandhu
PZC Jane Beddows	1 st VDG Bill Karcher, 19-G	ZCE Roger Schramm
2 nd VDGE Frank Bega, 19-E	ZCE Brian Kirk	2 nd VDG Sharon Sikes, 19-C
ZCE Darrell Behounek	VCCE John Kirry	ZC George Sim
1 st VDG Joyce Boyle, 19-I	2 nd VDG Kenneth Liu, 19-A	1 st VDG Ron Smircich, 19-C
2 nd VDG Pat Burch, 19-C	ZCE Michael Livingstone	2 nd VDGE Cec Specht, 19-I
ZCE Orson Christensen	PDG Kay Metz	2 nd VDGE Steve Staudinger, 19-G
ZCE Mickey Cooke	1 st VDG Steve Muenz, 19-D	Tim Vail
Bobbin Fuller	2 nd VDGE Bob Nordlund, 19-A	1 st VDG Greg Vicars, 19-B
PCC Surinder Gahir	Lion Elizabeth Nordlund	1 st VDG Crystal Walk, 19-F
Lion Gloria Hardan	PCC Hal Palmer	1 st VDG Corinne White, 19-H
2 nd VDG Michael Dukes, 19-I	Lion Laura Patton	PDG Carol Whitman
1 st VDG Grace Hwo, 19-A	PDG Judy Portas	

MOTION: A motion was made by PDG Janet Rinehart, 19-B and seconded by District Governor Monte Ward, 19-G to accept as posted the Minutes of the MD19 Winter Council of Governors' Meeting, held in Langley, B.C. February 18, 2017. Motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA REPORTS

CARE by PDG Bob Yeoman, Chairperson:

"CARE Project for this year and next year is called Educational Opportunities for Girls. The expected results of the project are as follows: 1) An increase in the number of secondary school girls who remain in school and complete all grades, and a related reduction in teen pregnancies; 2) An improvement in the self-confidence, social abilities, leadership skills and life plans of secondary school girls and 3) An increased

awareness and active commitment to the education of girls among parents, teachers and principals for secondary schools.

Our goal for this year is \$40,000 and we currently have \$28,346 which is a BIG increase since our last COG meeting. **THANK YOU.** We have one month left in the year to accomplish our goal. At this time I am encouraging District Governors to contact their CARE Representatives and Zone Chairpersons to promote a donation to CARE one last time. If clubs have already donated and have remaining funds at year end encourage an additional donation. Ask each member to donate \$5.00 because they are proud to be a Lion.

As announced at the start of the year, the District with the biggest increase in donations over 2015-2016 will win a free dinner for the District Governor and the CARE Rep while at our October Convention. Listed below are standings as of the end of April 2017. Our donations will help the school girls in Peru have a better education and future as they become older.

Have clubs put CARE in their budgets for 2017-2018 if they are not already doing at this time.

Through 4/30/2017 here are the totals by District.

	Actual To Date	Last year Total
A)	\$2500.00	\$2000.00
B)	\$1150.00	\$2250.00
C)	\$3980.00	\$6228.00
D)	\$3000.00	\$4425.00
E)	\$3725.00	\$4005.00
F)	\$1816.00	\$1400.00
G)	\$1350.00	\$2555.00
H)	\$7475.00	\$8455.00
I)	\$3350.00	\$7560.00

Total \$28,346.00

Mail Checks to: MD19 Lions, 4141 West Maplewood Avenue, Bellingham, WA 98226

For more info go to <http://www.care.org/about>"

DIABETES REPORT by PDG Tom Smarsh, Chairperson:

"My goal is to publish a newsletter monthly for publication in the *Border Crossing*; also submit to our *Busy B* newsletter in 19-B.

Additionally, I set up an information table at the 19-B convention. I also set up a table and conducted a diabetes seminar at the MD19 Annual Convention in Spokane, WA.

Have had several positive comments, so believe that we are getting the message across. Working with American Diabetes Association contact person in Seattle for resources."

LCIF-BC REPORT by PCC Polly Voon, Chairperson:

"CONGRATULATIONS to 19H Chilliwack Mount Cheam Lions Club for successfully concluding their Centennial Legacy Goal and raising \$600,000 to equip the Chilliwack Eye Care Centre. The project was supported by LCIF with a matching grant of \$100,000 and dedicated by 2nd International Vice President Gudrun Yngvadottir on April 25, 2017.

Following is a recap of donations to LCIF for the period between July 1, 2016 and April 30, 2017 from MD19 Canadian district/clubs.

District	# of Clubs	Clubs Donating	Participation Rate	Donations
19A	58	17	29.31%	\$20,650.80
19D	50	16	32.00%	\$7,739.91
19E	52	25	48.08%	\$13,469.65

19H	50	34	68.00%	\$24,787.82
19I	51	11	21.57%	\$3,832.08
Totals	261	103	39.46%	\$70,480.26

The challenge for 2016-2017 is for each district to work towards a goal of either \$20.73 per member or a 10% increase over 2015-2016. The following chart is repeated for your reference on the status of each of your district's level of donations to LCIF with six months to go. As you can see, every district needs to step up in the last half of this year to meet the goals set for this year.

District	District Coordinator	2013-2014 Funds Raised	2014-2015 Funds Raised	2015-2016 Funds Raised	District Membership	Per member Goal	2016-2017 Per Member Goal	10% Increase Goal
19A	Marilyn Martin	\$71,205.68	\$27,885.53	\$18,205.68	1117	\$20.73	\$23,144.24	\$20,026.25
19D	Frank Karas	\$19,202.98	\$15,079.53	\$14,979.54	1378	\$20.73	\$28,565.94	\$16,477.49
19E	Bob Yeoman	\$7,081.39	\$21,579.21	\$16,742.93	1470	\$20.73	\$30,473.10	\$18,417.22
19H	Kenny Lee	\$19,495.23	\$36,076.25	\$23,837.57	1691	\$20.73	\$35,054.43	\$36,121.33
19I	Denise Charest	\$22,875.85	\$19,101.89	\$11,629.13	1219	\$20.73	\$25,269.87	\$12,792.04

Total Funds Raised & Goal Report – Year to Date & Monthly for April 2017

Dist.	LCIF District Coordinator	Total Funds Raised FY: 2015-16	Apr-2016 Total Funds (YTD)	Apr-2017 Total Funds (YTD)	Increase/Decrease	Monthly Increase			Goal	Goal %
						Feb-2017 Total Funds Raised	Mar-2017 Total Funds Raised	Apr-2017 Total Funds Raised		
19A	Marilyn Martin	\$18,205.68	\$9,343.04	\$20,650.80	\$11,307.76	\$2,229.01	\$1,808.49	\$4,075.19		
19D	Frank Karas	\$14,979.54	\$10,652.61	\$7,634.04	(\$3,018.57)	\$1,076.34	\$992.37	\$825.56	\$6,936.86	110.05%
19E	Bob Yeoman	\$16,742.93	\$12,730.62	\$14,067.56	\$1,336.94	\$3,629.24	\$1,703.38	\$1,250.00	\$16,390.00	85.83%
19H	Kenny Lee	\$32,837.57	\$24,727.80	\$24,863.01	\$135.21	\$1,911.63	\$1,720.00	\$4,653.39	\$16,515.28	150.54%
19I	Denise Charest	\$11,647.31	\$7,126.18	\$3,832.08	(\$3,294.10)	\$1,214.50	\$496.18	\$352.54	\$2,585.00	148.24%
	MD19 Sub Total	\$94,413.03	\$64,580.25	\$71,047.49	\$6,467.24	\$10,060.72	\$6,720.42	\$11,156.68		

District Governors – We CAN meet these goals by the end of this 2016-2017 Lions Year! MD19 has been fortunate in receiving many substantial grants and to ensure that funds continue to be available for us to access whenever the need arises, we **MUST** encourage our members and clubs to support LCIF financially. Your District LCIF Coordinators stand ready and willing to do their job within your Districts on your behalf so please call on them and give them opportunities to promote LCIF.

The Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) Board of Trustees recently announced the addition of a new position in Club Leadership, the **CLUB LCIF COORDINATOR**. This individual serves as an ambassador for LCIF in each club and is equipped to educate Lions about the activities of LCIF and its importance to Lions Clubs International.

In previous years, LCIF Coordinators at the District and Multiple District levels have served as Foundation Ambassadors' within their area. The addition of the Club LCIF Coordinator helps to support their effort and provide fellow members with timely information about important foundation initiatives. In order to make this program successful, we look to you for support in the following ways:

1. Ensure the club nominating committee has selected a Club LCIF Coordinator for a one-year term (2017-2018) and this individual is identified through MyLCI or on your PU-101;
2. Devote at least one club meeting to an annual LCIF presentation provided by the Club Coordinator; and
3. Support the Club LCIF Coordinator in planning annual fundraising and recognition events within your club.

LCIF is OUR Foundation!"

LCIF-US REPORT by PDG Joan Hunter, Chairperson:

"The Club LCIF Coordinator will serve as an ambassador for Lions Clubs International Foundation in your club. This individual shares the stories of LCIF programs, motivate others to support LCIF and enable the foundation to advance its humanitarian work in your community and around the world.

Responsibilities will include:

- Educating Lions about the mission and success of LCIF and its importance to Lions Clubs International
- Implementing LCIF development strategies within your club

- Collaborating with LCIF District Chairpersons to promote LCIF in your area

The Club LCIF Coordinator is nominated by the club's nominating committee, elected as a member of the Board and will serve a one-year term until elections the following year. The LCIF Coordinator works closely with local club leadership and communicates directly to LCIF District Chairpersons to ensure alignment with district goals.

Roles and Responsibilities

Promotion and Education

Training and Events

- Attend annual LCIF training provided by your district coordinator
- Give annual LCIF presentation at a club meeting to cover: LCIF programs and their impact, opportunities to apply for LCIF grants and the benefit of supporting LCIF

Public Relations

- Promote LCIF program success stories through local media outlets, prepare and distribute press releases
- Work with club PR Chairperson to promote LCIF
- Promote LCIF through your club's website and social media outlets

Work with Leadership

- Provide regular updates and success stories to club leadership
- Provide LCIF grant and program updates to club leadership
- Provide regular updates to your District Coordinator and Club President

Grant opportunities

- Inform Lions in your club of LCIF grant opportunities at a local level
- Facilitate communication with district and other clubs regarding active grants and grant application

Expanding LCIF

Expanding LCIF programs in your club is a crucial responsibility. Be aware of your district's goal as established by club and district leadership.

Awareness and Recognition

- Conduct annual fundraising event to promote LCIF programs in your club
- Conduct annual recognition event to recognize donors in your club

Identify Potential Partners

- Identify Partners in your club with the capacity and interest to support LCIF
- Identify local businesses with the potential to partner with your club in the name of LCIF

Facilitate Support

- Assist partners with the submission of LCIF funds, Melvin Jones Fellowships and other recognition applications
- Serve as your clubs' expert on available LCIF recognition programs
- Assist with the presentation and reception of recognition items

Keys to Success

- **Flexibility:** As LCIF Development strategies evolve, be flexible in the implementation and modification of those strategies to suit your club. It is anticipated that this role will evolve over time and that specific tactics will vary in different geographical areas.
- **Personal Support:** All club LCIF Coordinators are encouraged to personally support LCIF. Experience shows that volunteers are more motivated to a cause when personally and financially invested.

- **Working with Local Leaders:** Success in this position requires collaboration with other Lions leaders. Communicating and collaborating with club leadership, other clubs in your area and district leadership will help spread the LCIF message throughout your area
- **Communication:** Successful implementation of development strategies will require the coordinated efforts of the entire LCIF volunteer team. It is crucial to building a stronger foundation that coordinators work closely together and communicate frequently.”

LEO REPORT by Lion Barry Shiles, Chairperson:

“Early Notice for the ‘Leo Club Excellence Award’. All Districts may endorse one Leo club for this award. From the number of ‘Leo of the Year’ nominations and reading the Leo reports to LCI I can easily say we have at least five or six districts with Leo clubs, if not all nine Districts, that deserve to be nominated. It’s up to the Leo Advisors to send the nomination forms to LCI and it’s up to me, as M19 Leo Chairperson, to nag you into sending them in. Please, Lions Leo Advisors, we have so many outstanding Leo Clubs, let’s not let them down by not sending in the paperwork. Last year we had two Leo clubs in MD19 that were nominated and they both won, one in Canada and one in USA - this was outstanding-BUT not good enough. Only one Leo Club in Canada was nominated, last year, there should be at least 8 winners in our MD this year. Access the nomination form at LCI, leo@lionsclubs.org before Aug. 15, 2017, and send them in, Districts A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H. I’ll be looking for your nomination forms. Thanks.

Just a special note: four Leos were nominated for the ‘MD19 Leo of the Year Award’ and have been vetted with one having been sent to LCI for the Lions International Leo Award. In reality we actually had five Leos nominated and each of these Leos were awarded the ‘Leo of the Year Award 2017’ for their District. Pointing out that we need to recognize our Leading Leos who are our best young citizens, and the future of Lions.

Training: We are currently working on a training module/seminar with DGE Grace Hwo and Leo Advisor PZC Lynda Davidson for District Leo Chairpersons, Leo Advisors and any Lion who would like to be included and move ahead with sponsoring a Leo Club.

Essay Contest: Sponsored by the MD19 Lions Leadership Foundation with PCC Al Beddows as chairperson. The 500 word essay contest with cash prizes is open to students in grades 10 through 12 and it is thought we would involve schools with Leo clubs in the beginning. Rules will be published later. Each Zone would pick a winner and will receive \$100 to \$500 prize. The winning essays would then go to the District Governor and a committee will pick a \$200 dollar prize winner. Then the Council Chairperson will pick a \$500 winner for each of the nine Districts.

Leo Awards: Now is the time to consider ordering Awards for your individual Leos who have distinguished themselves in leadership and service in their communities and schools.

Leo Club Donations: If your Leo club has an excessive amount, say more than \$300, in their bank accounts, they should consider making donations so the carryover is not too large. The Leos’ will feel better about the fund-raising efforts, the hard work put in to raising the money and the pride in the money they have raised going to special community needs.

USA Leo Leadership Forum: Try to encourage your Leos to attend the first Forum of its kind in North America. Aug. 2 to 6, 2017. Contact Lion Pablo 1-646-481-3238

USA/Canada Leadership Forum: Leos are given one entire day at the forum with two one hour seminars and many planned activities. Saturday Sept. 23, 2017 Portland, Oregon. Leo club sponsors should try to encourage Leos to attend.

Start your own Leo Club: Leo Club Organization Kits are available from me at 604-594-6579 or from LCI. All the information needed to start a Leo club in your area.”

LIONESS REPORT by PZC Linda Shaffrick, Chairperson:

“The Lioness clubs for MD19 are all keeping busy. There are 14 Lioness clubs in MD19 with 260+ members

A very brief overview of the some of their activities for this report - bingos at Seniors homes; helping baby & blood donor clinics; Boys & Girls Club; Easter egg hunt; held a flea market; bingo concession; meat draws; manning road side rest stops; helping other community groups; helping at the food bank; assisting refugee families; collecting eyeglasses; knitting shawls for care homes; pancake breakfast for seniors; Valentine dinner for care home; collecting for white cane day; tray favors for hospital and care homes for holidays; delivering hot lunches and making muffins for elementary schools and Arena Concessions. This is naming only a few of the many projects that the Lioness do.

Hours since the last report: - 6700 hours

Donations were made to: Camp Winfield; Easter Seal House; CARE; Parkinson's; Youth Baseball; Youth Swim team; basketball; ALS; Hospice; Arthritis; Veteran's dinner; Alternative school (Books & supplies); Children's Wellness fund; leukemia; bursary; CNIB talking books; kidney foundation; orthopedic rehab; Glass slipper (clothing program for grads); Minor Hockey; Lions foundation of Canada; medical assistance for a single mom and many more worthy causes.

Donations since the last report - \$65, 235.00

Attending Lions Zone meetings and District Spring Conferences and visiting other clubs.

We Serve Too"

CENTENNIAL REPORT – US by PDG J.D. Nellor, Chairperson:

"First, a reminder of the basics so you do not have to refer back to past reports: I am one of two MD 19 Centennial Coordinators: PDG Steve Somerset is the MD 19 *Canada* Centennial Coordinator and I am the MD 19 *U.S.* Centennial Coordinator. PDG Steve will cover Districts A, D, E, H and I and my report covers Districts B, C, F and G.

You may contact me for Centennial Celebration help at:

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Mail: 901 Umatilla Way, Vancouver, WA 98661 U.S.A.

Home phone: (360) 696-1657; Work phone: (360) 816-2241

Each MD19 District has a district-level coordinator. They are:

District 19A: PDG Rita Fok	Email: ritapkfok@gmail.com
District 19B: PID Anne Smarsh	Email: t.smarsh@att.net
District 19C: PZC Bob Johnson	Email: bobjohnson39@live.com
District 19D: PDG Norma Bent	Email: bentnj41@shaw.ca
District 19E: PDG Kim DiRienz	Email: kdirienz@hotmail.com
District 19F: PZC David Heath	Email: dabid@fairpoint.net
District 19G: PDG Doug Hall	Email: liondoug@gmail.com
District 19H: PDG Al Stobbart	Email: stobarta@shaw.ca
District 19I: PDG Brian Phillips	Email: lion.brian.phillips@telus.net

In general, District A, D, E, H and I Coordinators have been reporting to PDG Steve Somerset and District B, C, F and G Coordinators have been reporting to me. On to some details.

Centennial Promotions Grant

The 'MD19 Centennial Promotions' grant makes \$1,372.50 available to each District from a grant MD19 received from LCI. The purpose of the grant is the promotion of our Lions and LCI during and as a part of the Centennial Celebration. There is a deadline to use the grant funds: I have to provide an accounting for the use of the grant funds to LCI by June 30, 2017. *If the funds are not used by a District, they must be returned to LCI.*

A District must submit a project plan to me (or to Steve Somerset in the case of Districts A, D, E, H and I) with a proposed budget showing how the District plans to spend \$1,372.50 for the activity to be approved. And, of course, the project must meet the purpose of the grant— promotion of Lions through the Centennial Celebration.

Districts C and G have Centennial Promotion activities and have applied for and received their shares of the grant, \$1,372.50 each. District 19C is spending its money on a street fair event to be held at the Marymount Event Center in Spanaway, Washington, in August, 2017. The event will include food, entertainment, a beer

garden, fun and games, opportunities for vendors, a car show, and (as they say) more...

District 19G used its grant funds to purchase ten 4 foot by 8 foot parade and event banners, and other promotional materials (brochures and leaflets). Each 19G Zone received two banners which clubs may 'check out' for an event. And, the banners are being used!

The District 19G Coordinator (PDG Doug Hall) continues to build an event calendar for the entire District that will be available to the clubs so that clubs from throughout the District can join local Lions clubs in their community events during the Centennial Celebration.

District 19B has submitted a project for approval. It consists of the construction of a rest area on the Whitehorse Regional Trail at Oso, Washington. The grant funds will be used to purchase a large, laser-engraved, weatherized, outdoor wooden sign indicating that the Oso rest area and structures have been donated by District 19B Lions as a part of the LCI Centennial Celebration. The sign will be permanently attached to an exterior wall of the main wooden rest area structure.

There is \$1,372.50 waiting for a proposal from District F.

Legacy Projects

Centennial Community Legacy Projects are one of the three components of LCI's Centennial Celebration.

Legacy Projects are visible gifts to our communities that commemorate the Association's Centennial and create a lasting legacy of Lions service contributions.

Worldwide, 15,430 Legacy Projects have been reported from 6,840 clubs through May 3, 2017 (up from 10,701 reported from 5,147 clubs in February).

In our neck of the woods:

- District 19B clubs report 7 level one and 1 level three Legacy Projects completed.
- District 19C clubs report 36 level one, 11 level two and 3 level three Legacy Projects completed.
- District 19F clubs report 5 level one, 3 level two and 1 level three Legacy Projects completed.
- District 19G clubs report 10 level one, 2 level two and 9 level three Legacy Projects completed.

The continuing challenge with Centennial Community Legacy Projects is for the clubs to report what they are doing on their SAR, and to their District Coordinators (so the District Coordinators can report to me and I can report to LCI). My experience visiting clubs and zone meetings is that many, perhaps even all, clubs are doing projects that qualify as Legacy Projects, but either do not know what a Legacy Project is or just do not know how to report it.

Centennial Service Challenge

A second component of the Centennial Celebration is LCI's Centennial Service Challenge - LCI originally challenged clubs worldwide to serve 100,000,000 people during the four-year Centennial Celebration, 25,000,000 in each of four, traditional, Lions service areas, Sight, Hunger, Youth and Environment.

As of May 3, 2017, 34,363 clubs worldwide have reported 153,139,558 people served since the challenge began.

For the Districts reporting to me:

- In District 19B, 16 of the 34 clubs (47%) have reported Centennial Service Challenge Projects that have served 28,514 people this fiscal year. That brings District B to 104,022 served since the Challenge began.
- In District 19C, 41 of the 48 clubs (85%) have reported Centennial Service Challenge Projects that have served 148,429 people this fiscal year. That brings District C to 533,265 served since the Challenge began.
- In District 19F, 23 of 46 clubs (50%) have reported Centennial Service Challenge Projects that have served 44,742 people this fiscal year. That brings District F to 117,994 served since the Challenge began.

- In District 19G, 26 of 41 clubs (63%) have reported Centennial Service Challenge Projects that have served 169,354 people this fiscal year. That brings District G to 545,619 served since the Challenge began.

Let's do the math: Centennial Service Challenge Projects have served 391,039 people by the clubs in Districts B, C, F and G so far this fiscal year, and 1,300,900 since the challenge began!

Membership Drive

The third component of the Centennial Service Challenge is the Centennial Membership Drive. Worldwide, as of May 3, 2017 there are 419,408 Centennial members (new members added during the Centennial Challenge) from 3,687 clubs January 9, 2017, there are 353,088 Centennial members (new members added during the Centennial Challenge) from 3,007 clubs.

A little closer to home:

- District 19B clubs have reported 97 Centennial members this fiscal year, 190 since the Centennial began.
- District 19C clubs have reported 166 Centennial members this fiscal year, 394 since the Centennial began.
- District 19F clubs have reported 108 Centennial members this fiscal year, 234 since the Centennial began.
- District 19G clubs have reported 82 Centennial members this fiscal year, 243 since the Centennial began.

Resources

I encourage all Lions to go to the LCI website (www.lionsclubs.org) and click on the 'Lions 100' link at the top of the main page. Then click on the 'Toolbox' link. You will find brochures, press release, banners, logos, advertising and billboard art that are useful in showing off and raising public awareness of your clubs, and LCI. And, best of all, all of these resources are free and available for download.

Centennial merchandise (shirts, cups, and what-not), is also available through the 'Member Center' or the 'LCI Shop' links as well.

In conclusion, Districts B, C, F and G clubs are actively engaged in the Centennial Celebration. Club awareness of the Centennial Celebration continues to grow. MD 19 clubs are getting more involved in the various components of the Celebration and are doing a better job of reporting."

MD19 FOUNDATION REPORTS

CANADIAN EYEGLASS RECYCLING CENTER REPORT by Lion Barry Shiles, Chairperson:

"Lions clubs are asked to make an effort to start collecting used eyeglasses. This is probably the easiest and the most effective service project we as Lions can do. Used eyeglasses serve those in need all over the world.

CLERC, 'Canadian Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center' in Calgary needs all the Lions Clubs that collect glasses and those that don't to consider making a small financial donation to help offset overhead expenses such as the cost of collection boxes and small storage bags that the glasses are placed into after they are sorted and graded.

Collection Boxes: Clubs/Lions that need boxes for new collection locations and to refurbish old boxes can get them by calling, Barry Shiles at 604-594-6579 or email at: barryshiles@dccnet.com

Shipping: Our shipping program seems currently to be going smoothly our two large shipping companies are happy with the Lions bringing and dropping off large amounts of boxes for shipping and this appears to have stabilized these problems. If you have glasses and are having a problem getting to our shipper, please call or ask your ZC or DG to carry them to the next Lion who is closest to myself or Lion Paul Hand 604-380-1898 or 604-315-9029. We will get them to the shipper."

LIONS FOUNDATION OF CANADA / DOG GUIDES REPORT by PDG Mel Stokes, Provincial Director:

It has been a very busy but rewarding couple of months as the Foundation has been represented at all District Conferences involving Canadian clubs. I have been able to interact with Lions on both sides of the border providing information and pamphlets about the Lions Foundation of Canada. Many US Lions were

unaware they could donate towards a Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship or Life Membership thus recognizing their club members at their awards night ceremonies. The sale of shirts, hats and the dogs was also very successful. Thank you to all Lions who purchased an item on behalf of the Foundation.

A thank you to all the Districts that allowed me to speak at panel sessions and/or Opening Session. Another thank you goes out to the District Chairpersons and PZC Irene Stokes who volunteered at the table when I was at the aforementioned. I also had the opportunity to speak at the New Westminster Lions Club.

This year there are 32 planned Pet Valu Walks for Dog Guides with the majority happening on May 28th vs. 16 two years ago. A thank you to Pet Valu who are the major sponsor and organizing several walks.

The Following are the donations received over the last nine months to March 31st from all Districts. A special thank you goes out to District A for their significant increase.

British Columbia	2016-2017	2015-2016	2014-2013	% Change
19-A	71,000.00	7,000.00	32,120.00	
19-D	12,904.30	13,678.90	16,417.93	
19-E	7,023.35	8,434.80	1,475.00	
19-H	5,300.00	19,052.10	22,516.66	
19-I	<u>15,678.40</u>	<u>10,850.00</u>	<u>10,050.00</u>	
	111,906.05	59,015.80	82,579.55	89.62%

Each Guide Dog costs \$25,000 from birth to being placed with a recipient, giving a person with a disability an ability. We need your help. Please ask all clubs to consider additional financial support.

As of October 2017, my year as your Lions Foundation of Canada Director comes to an end. Joanne Phillips, from the Sooke Harbourside Lions Club (19-I), will be taking over. Thank you for the opportunity to serve in this capacity.

The following are a few of the ways to donate and some of which members can be recognized:

- Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship and progressive \$500
 - LFC Fellowship \$250
 - Life Membership and progressive \$100
 - Adopt a Puppy \$100
 - Memorial Forest \$200
- Dog Guide Sponsor from \$4,000 to \$12,000 (can be over a number of years)
 - Leave a Legacy through a bequest
- Planned Giving whether a lump sum or periodic payments
- Organize a Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides
- Donate your reward points – Aeroplan, Airmiles, Canadian Tire, Shoppers Optimum
- Open donation to the Foundation”

LIONS OF BC HEARING CONSERVATION SOCIETY REPORT by PCC Surinder Gahir, President:

“Council Chairperson Enoch, Fellow Cabinet Members, Lions and Guests, greetings.

We, the Lions of the BC Hearing Conservation Society are working very hard to provide a one of a kind service to our communities; making it easier to communicate with one another and making life a little better for those who cannot afford hearing aids.

We had our AGM May 6, 2017 and elected the officers for 2017/18.

We offer new hearing aids with a three year warranty and batteries to clients. We still offer ‘refurbished’ hearing aids but have very few takers.

This year so far we provided eighty (80) Hearing Aids to deserving clients and spent over \$102,500. We received used hearing aids from most of our districts for recycling. We will be sorting and sending over

four thousand (4,000) used hearing aids to Island Deaf & Hard of hearing Center for them to use or recycle.

Our web site is being worked on and is off line. We will do our best to get it up and running.

My friends, we remain deeply grateful for all your help.

I want to thank all the Lions clubs members, District Governors, Zone Chairpersons and the District Hearing Chairpersons for supporting and promoting this great organization.”

NORTHWEST LIONS EYEGLASS RECYCLING REPORT by Lion Kerby Kee, President:

“We are three quarters through our year and have accomplished many of our projects for which we had budgeted. We have bought and installed a new dishwasher to wash our glasses. The new dishwasher was purchased and installed for about \$6,000.00. This machine is a much more efficient piece of equipment. We also bought three new lensometers for \$12,000.00. These lensometers will replace the three that are 13 years old. They combine reading single vision, multivision, and progressive vision into one machine.

Our site committee has been working with an architect designing a new structure for NWLERC. We are in the process of having a surveyor do an in depth survey of the property as many pipes and electrical lines have not been identified. Our building fund is steadily growing.

Since July of 2016 we have received, 166,480 glasses. We have supported 22 missions this year with a total of 13,876 glasses being sent. We have supported 278 missions since our inception and sent a total of 226,938 throughout the world. We have received a total of 2,113,002 glasses since LERC's inception. WOW!

IPP Don Schmidt and Director JudyAnn Bergvall were invited to an Auburn Noon Lions club meeting. A King County Council member presented 3,000 pair of glasses collected from metro buses that had been left by people riding the buses over the last three months. King TV recorded the event which aired twice that evening. Great public relations LERC!

As I stated in my last report the volunteers and the Lions from all over who work at LERC and Lions throughout MD19 who gather and sort glasses make NWLERC a big success. We would sincerely welcome Lions members to visit our facility.

I would also like to invite the Council Chairperson and District Governors to visit our NWLERC facility.”

NW LIONS FOUNDATION FOR SIGHT & HEARING REPORT by Lion Bill Lundin, Board Chairperson:

“It is with great pleasure, that I present some great news on the growth of SightLife and the Northwest Lions Foundation for the 1st Quarter 2017.

SightLife continues to not only serve the Pacific Northwest with outstanding service, but has reached incredible growth with over 3,155 corneal transplants this quarter, setting a new record. In addition, we provided over 1,700 additional corneal transplants to needy people in our global program.

SightLife laboratory in Allentown Pennsylvania is now fully operational and is doing a great job serving residents of this area. The Lions Foundation formed in this community is now distributing grants, similar to our Foundation in Washington.

The Northwest Lions Foundation Board of Trustees continues to work on expanding our Health Screening Programs utilizing an \$80,000 grant from Kaiser Health, formally Group Health Cooperative. In our 1st quarter, we screened over 7600 children and provided 142 high quality digital hearing aids, in collaboration with many of clubs across the State.

Finally, we distributed over \$60,000 in project support grants to ten agencies throughout the State of Washington.

In closing, The Board of Trustees of the Northwest Lions Foundation would like to thank all the Lions and Lions Clubs in MD19 for their continued support of White Cane Days. Thank you for your support as we continue to review and improve our services to your clubs and communities.”

USA/CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM REPORT by PID Anne Smarsh, Chairperson:

“September 21-23, 2017 in Portland, Oregon

Oregon Convention Center in downtown Portland.

More than 90 seminars to choose from at this year’s forum.

Great venue of the Oregon Convention Center.



All hotels are close by and we will use Portland’s MAX light-rail system, rather than buses. Each registrant will receive a bus pass upon check-in for the Forum. There will be host Lions at each hotel to direct us to the MAX train.

Register now! The discounted rate of \$285 is available through June 9. Choice of six hotels.

The Oregon Lions, with Joyce Anderson as host chairperson, are working really hard to be ready for us in September.

There’s great shopping, fun tours, amazing food and fun! Think about taking the Amtrak train right into Portland.

Register and get more information at www.lionsforum.org”

MD19 ANNUAL CONVENTION REPORT by PDG Laura Wintersteen-Arleth, Chairperson:

“MD19 2016 (Spokane, WA) Convention Results

Income

Registration	\$ 7,820.00
Meals	\$30,819.50
Fun Night	\$ 660.00
Tours & Project	\$ 1,405.00
Raffle	\$ 2,967.00
Strides Walk	\$ 460.00
Coffee Sponsors	\$ 175.00
Advertising-pin traders	\$ 250.00
Vendor Tables	\$ 125.00
Extra Badges @ \$2	\$ 218.00
*Blackbird Dinner	\$ 841.00
Total Income	\$45,740.00

Expenses

Meals	\$31,768.89
Fun Night	\$ 1,200.00
Speakers	\$ -

Other Misc. Expenses

RL AV Equipment	\$ 660.00
Health Related Supplies	\$ 100.00
Massages	\$ 195.00
Coffee Breaks	\$ 915.68
Room Rental Hospitality	\$ 103.00
Strides Shirts	\$ 461.98
Badge Holders	\$ 918.52
Banking Expenses	\$ 100.00

Pins-Spokane 2016	\$ 85.00
Gift for Dignitaries	\$ 240.72
Refunds	\$ 671.00
Misc. Total	\$ 5,100.90
Total Expenses	\$39,009.79
Net Income	\$ 6,730.71

Check sent to Patty \$ 6,000.00
Net due to MD19 \$ 730.71

(Actual check sent to MD19 Office was \$704.71)"

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor John Moralek, 19-B and seconded by Past District Governor Eric Keller, 19-A to accept the Consent Agenda reports as presented. Motion Passed.

REPORTS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA TO BE GIVEN ORALLY

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT by Lion Nancy Messmer, Chairperson:

"As the Environment Chairperson for Multiple District 19, I work to encourage Lions to include environmental projects in their array of service projects, and to highlight the good work that Lions are doing.

We serve! Our motto is 'We Serve'. Why do we serve?

We serve because there is a need for our service. People need us. Our communities need us. The planet needs us. As we grow as an organization around the world, we are able to offer more service and help more people. Each Lion is part of a force for good that impacts locally and globally.

'Protecting Our Environment'

Centennial Global Service Action Campaign and LCI Forward

Lions all over the world are implementing projects to improve and protect our environment locally and globally. Our work is part of a four-year Centennial Challenge, ending in June, 2018. Local Lions spearhead community and environment improvement projects and also join other groups in coordinated projects. We are reporting our projects in monthly service reports and sharing the news across our communities.

Now, Lions Clubs International has launched the LCI Forward initiative to take us into the future. It is highlighted in the December/January Centennial edition of Lion Magazine and on the Lions website <http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/lci-forward/index.php>.

SERVICE IS THE REASON WE EXIST. IT'S WHY WE BECAME LIONS AND WHY WE REMAIN. YEAR BY YEAR, COUNTRY BY COUNTRY, WE HAVE INCREASED OUR GLOBAL IMPACT, SAVING LIVES AND HELPING MILLIONS MORE AROUND THE WORLD. AND THE WORLD NEEDS US MORE NOW MORE THAN EVER.

A NEW SERVICE VISION FOR THE FUTURE

To ensure that Lions are ready to meet the needs of a changing world, we will formally launch our new global service framework in 2017 that prepares Lions for our second century of service. It will bring Lions together to address the following global humanitarian challenges:



Vision



Diabetes



Hunger



Environment



Pediatric Cancer

Protecting Our Environment is a service goal that represents countless hours of work currently for Lions, Lioness, and Leos. It is also a bridge to more members in the future as Lions work together and in partnership to ensure that future generations inherit a livable world. The LCI website presents a cornucopia of project ideas, media, and support materials to assist Lions in planning and reporting Environment projects: <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/planning-projects/community-environment/index.php>.

Share Our Work. Learn from Each Other. Inform the Public.

We need to share our great work. Ask fellow Lions (or their kids or grandkids) to take lots of photos. Focus on action pictures. Submit articles to local newspapers, community newsletters, your Club Facebook page, your Environmental Chairperson and to me. Make display boards and display boxes for public places telling your stories. Use your Project Sandwich Boards to tell the public that Lions are at work.

I'll write articles and post on MD19 Environment Page, create posters, and make a database of environment projects when you send photos and information about **Lions at Work Protecting the Environment**. Send to: Lion Nancy Messmer, Ph.D. MD 19 Environment Chairperson, Clallam Bay Sekiu Lions, 360.963.2442 able@olyphen.com

Start an Environment Committee in your District. Increase your impact.

Local Lions, Lioness, & Leos Protect Our Environment:

Planting trees, recycling eyeglasses & hearing aids, recycling community items-rummage sales, thrift shops, recycling books-giving libraries, building & supporting parks and camps, growing gardens, distributing food, highway cleanups, beach & shoreline cleanups, civic cleanups, stream/forest restoration, sensory gardens, preserve and restore old buildings and structures, gardens in schools, education programs in schools & communities, decrease plastic consumption, build and maintain trails and playground equipment, recycle durable medical equipment, and much more."

YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM REPORT by ZC George Sim for PDG George Robison, Chairperson:

"This report is based primarily on the meeting held in Kelowna, B.C. on May 6th, attended by Al Fennig, Ann Ng, Cindy Robison, George Sim, Steve Muenz, Tim Ng, Wayne Atkinson and me, and the February 18th meeting at Langley attended by Cindy Robison, Kathy Schumer, Rob Schumer, Shelley Costello, Wanda Carisse, Janet Rinehart and me.

At the beginning of the two meetings we reviewed some problems being faced by the MD19 Youth Exchange Program. This includes the decision of many clubs to not participate, for a variety of reasons. Some clubs are not familiar with Youth Exchange, some have a sister city exchange, some participate in a zone or district exchange program that operates apart from the MD19 program; some have members who feel too old to participate; some have difficulty accessing resources such as high school students; and many other reasons. A common problem is the inability of many district YEP chairpersons to visit all their clubs due to the size of the district. Even in the more compact districts such as B & C it is difficult for one person to visit each club, urge the club to participate and try to recruit a club YEP chairperson. Other districts are complicated, not only by travel distances, but state or national boundaries or both. For many Lions, who generally pay all their own expenses for travel and meals, being a Youth Exchange Chairperson can be a huge financial burden.

In the past, the MD19 Youth Exchange Committee provided full service by coordinating exchanges to and from other countries, locating host families through the District Chairpersons, scheduling transfers between host families, arranging air travel, training outgoing youth, providing YEP banners and paraphernalia, etc. Loss of volunteers to do those jobs prevents operation as done in the past.

One option that was discussed briefly at both meetings was for MD19 to terminate the Youth Exchange Program as an MD function and simply allow any club, zone or district that so desires to operate its own program. Although that continues to be an option, the consensus was to keep looking for a solution other than termination.

Other than as mentioned above, our discussions started with recognition of the problems being faced by the MD19 Youth Exchange Program itself. The problems started several years ago as it became more and more difficult to find host families and youth desiring foreign travel. It was then compounded by not being

able to obtain younger Lions to replace the Lions who had long served as area coordinators, foundation officers and district Youth Exchange Chairpersons. Many Lions have served for a long time and expressed a feeling of "burnout". Attendees expressed a consensus that to revive the Youth Exchange Program in MD 19 requires active intervention by the Council of Governors, the Governors and the Vice District Governors.

The Youth Exchange Committee would like for the District Governors to support the program and help in rebuilding and energizing Youth Exchange, by doing the following right away:

1. Ask every District, Zone and Club that has an exchange program to send me an email explaining their program, including how it works, basic rules, type (sister-city or other) and the pros and cons that they see in their own program. This will help in identifying what works best in differing situations and what might work on a district level. It would provide an opportunity to develop trial programs that could be used in a zone or district to see how an approach works when done by the Multiple District. It will also help in developing training for district YEP Chairpersons by teaching proven to work. My email address is georgerobison@centurytel.net
2. Ask that the Youth Exchange Program be included in future Leadership Institute, Multiple District and District conducted training. Each meeting attendee confirms meeting club and zone officers who know nothing about youth exchange. Inclusion of specific youth exchange training at the Institute and officer training at all levels would at least assure that clubs become aware of the program. Attendees would also like the opportunity to have Youth Exchange seminars at MD and District conferences.
3. Ask that DGs encourage each Zone Chairperson and each Club to have a Youth Exchange Chairperson and that Districts go back to having two Youth Exchange Chairpersons, to divide the work load. The Youth Exchange Program is spread across thousands of square miles in this multiple district. In most of MD19 it is not possible for a District YEP Chairperson to visit every club, seek participation in high schools and publicize the program in all local newspapers. In many locations only members of a local club will have access to a school. It is imperative that DGs ask that Zone Chairpersons and Clubs have a Youth Exchange Chairperson.
4. Ask that DGs include Youth Exchange in every presentation as they visit their clubs as part of their official DG year and that every newsletter have a message about Youth Exchange. Information about the YEP Committee meetings in Langley and Kelowna was widely disseminated by the MD19 office, by myself and was in the *Border Crossing* twice. Although several Lions indicated a desire to attend but were unable to attend for a variety of reasons, as I visit clubs I find Lions who were unaware of the meetings. A couple of more meetings are being planned for locations in Washington State.
5. It would also be nice if every DG and CC hosted a visiting youth or sponsored an outbound youth. Actual hosting imparts the value of the program

The Committee plans to pursue the following:

1. Recruit volunteers to fill coordinator and Foundation positions so that YE Program activities will be able to resume. Currently exchanges are being handled as a courtesy by Kathy and Rob Schumer as part of the 19B program. Records are in Quesnel, B.C. because most other functions were being handled by PDG Ron Silver. DG Wanda Carisse has agreed to help obtain transfer of the records.
2. The MD19 YE Program has a FAQ brochure that will be updated as soon as further decisions are made. Those will be available on the YEP web site, as attachments to emails and as printed documents at conferences and training programs, to hopefully broaden knowledge of the Program.
3. At future meetings, we will discuss some changes to the Foundation that will require Bylaw revisions to implement. That includes offering financial incentives to clubs or youth to assist in paying hosting or travel expenses.
4. Discussion of changing security problems for travelling youth and host families, which may result from personal conduct or government action and the systems or methods that are available to clubs and the YE Program."

MOTION: A motion was made by PDG Eric Keller, 19-A and seconded by PDG Don Wight, 19-H for the Council of Governors to support rebuilding the Youth Exchange Program. Motion passed.

LIONS PROJECT NEW HOPE NORTHWEST REPORT by 1st VDG Ron Smircich for PZC Pat Burke,
President: (Oral Report)

This summer we will be holding five retreats for Veterans and their families. These retreats are held at Camp Gwinwood in Lacey, WA. Veterans come from all over the state and from Oregon to attend these retreats. We are now working with several Veteran's organizations, who are not only providing information to Veterans about our retreats, but also getting more licensed therapists who want to come to our retreats and offer their services to our Veterans free of charge.

For the first time, we are holding a retreat for First Responders (Fire Fighters, Police Officers, etc.) who also can suffer from PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder).

A special thanks goes out to the Lions Clubs of MD19 who have financially supported Lions Project New Hope. Since these retreats are free to Veterans and their families, this support for lodging and meals is very much appreciated.

If anyone wishes to volunteer their time and services, they can go online to our website and fill out a volunteer's form. <http://lionsprojectnewhopenw.org/>

CENTENNIAL REPORT – BC by PDG Steve Somerset, Chairperson:

“Year three of the LCI Centennial Celebrations is coming to an end. Clubs have been actively participating in the Centennial Service Challenges. More clubs are now working on their own Centennial Legacy Projects and communities are benefitting from the Legacies being left celebrating our 100 year anniversary. One of the more interesting projects was the refurbishing of the Lions Clock in Queen Elizabeth Park in Vancouver, B.C. Ray Saunders, the clock designer, was in attendance for the dedication. He is famous for the Steam Clock in Gastown, Vancouver, B.C.

Districts A, D, E, H and I all have some form of District Centennial Project completed or underway. We are still awaiting some final invoices so that we can ensure that the LCI grant is fully utilized.

I do hope you are all attending the International Convention in Chicago. The Chilliwack Mt Cheam and Chilliwack Stellar's Jay Centennial Legacy project has been selected as one of two projects in Canada to make a presentation at the Convention. There is a Centennial Exhibit and the presentation will be on Friday June 30th at 3pm.

2nd International Vice President Gudrun Yngvadottir was in Chilliwack to open the new Mt Cheam Lions Eye Care Centre on April 25th. The Stellar's Jay Lions Club and LCIF have rooms named after their significant contributions. VP Gudrun stated this was the largest club project to date for fundraising a project and she would not have missed this celebration for anything.

While we are celebrating successes we still have another year to accomplish great things. As a centennial Lion, Dave MacIntosh stated: ***'As a new Lion don't be afraid to get involved and take on a project'***. It is amazing what can be achieved.

Congratulations to all Lions in MD19 who have participated to date in these Celebrations.”

2016-17 District Governors Alan Guy, 19-I; Simon Yau, 19-A and Wanda Carisse, 19-D shared a special event that has taken place in their districts.

MD19 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT by PDG Brien Patton, Chairperson:

“The Budget and Finance Committee met in Renton on May 7th and worked out a proposed balanced budget for the Lions year of 2017-2018. I bet you are curious how we came up with this. The main reason was that we received another grant from the MD19 Lions Service and Leadership Development Foundation which sponsored the entire District and Zone Officers School as well as the Vice District Governors attendance at the USA/Canada Forum. This enabled us to present a balanced budget.

EXPENSE		2016-2017	Actual	Variance	2017-2018	
District Ops Accounts	12/31/16	Budget	4/27/2017		Budget	
District A	1076	\$1282	\$1315	\$(33)	\$1224	
District B	780	\$907	\$915	\$(8)	\$868	
District C	1390	\$1568	\$1555	\$13	\$1573	
District D	1307	\$1505	\$1744	\$(239)	\$1432	
District E	1405	\$1618	\$1741	\$(123)	\$1580	
District F	1285	\$1452	\$1473	\$(21)	\$1445	
District G	1269	\$1470	\$1276	\$194	\$1410	
District H	1631	\$1865	\$2101	\$(236)	\$1800	
District I	1210	\$1331	\$1673	\$(342)	\$1331	
Total District Operations Account		\$12,998	\$13,793	\$(795)	\$12,663	
International Convention Forum / Director		2016-2017	Actual	Variance	2017-2018	
		Budget	4/27/2017		Budget	
Council Chairperson – Chicago, IL		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Council Chairperson Elect (Seated VCC) Chicago, IL		\$400	\$400	\$ -	\$400	
Convention Chairperson - Chicago, IL		\$400	\$ -	\$400	\$400	
Int'l Convention Exp. (Hosp. Rm) Chicago, IL		\$155	\$155	\$0	\$500	2017 Hosp Rm Dep
VCC to USA / Canada Forum – Portland, OR		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
VDG to USA / Canada Forum – Portland, OR		\$300	\$300	\$ -	\$1200	\$2700 Max
Total Int'l Convention/Forum/Director		\$1255	\$855	\$400	\$2500	
Capital Outlay		2016-2017	Actual	Variance	2017-2018	
		Budget	4/27/2017		Budget	
Major Capital Expense (i.e. roof replacement)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Office Equipment		\$200	\$ -	\$200	\$200	
Copier Lease (Konica & Phone System)		\$2960	\$2467	\$493	\$3000	
Vehicle Purchase Cont.(\$402.86 p/m - \$4834.32)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Total Capital Outlay		\$3160	\$2467	\$693	\$3200	
MD19 Convention Expenses		2016-2017	Actual	Variance	2017-2018	
		Budget	4/27/2017		Budget	
Convention Reserve-MD19 (3%)		\$1500	\$26,663	\$(25,163)	\$2500	Whistler
MD19 Annual Convention		\$5000	\$3324	\$ -	\$4000	
Total MD19 Convention Expenses		\$6500	\$29,988	\$(23,488)	\$6500	
MD19 General Operations		2016-2017	Actual	Variance	2017-2018	
		Budget	4/27/2017		Budget	
Potential Bad Debt (MD19 Dues)		\$500	\$ -	\$500	\$500	
Credit Card Fees		\$350	\$125	\$225	\$200	
Accounting Review / Services		\$3389	\$3389	\$ -	\$3389	
Bank Charges		\$400	\$528	\$(128)	\$500	
Memorial Garden Expense (Plants, Soil, etc.)		\$1000	\$713	\$287	\$1000	
Building & Grounds (Cleaning & Repairs)		\$1200	\$974	\$227	\$1200	
Bond – Employee (Covered in Commercial Policy)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Business License / Non Profit Corporation		\$10	\$ -	\$10	\$ -	June
Maintenance Contract – Konica Copier		\$670	\$ -	\$670	\$ -	In Lease Contract
Maintenance – Auto		\$1300	\$1311	\$(11)	\$1400	
Maintenance – Other Equipment (computer)		\$400	\$108	\$292	\$400	Fire extinguishers
Security System		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
New Club Paraphernalia Expense- personalized gong & gavel		\$900	\$20	\$880	\$200	
Post Office Box Lease U.S. & Canada		\$70	\$65	\$5	\$80	Canada Key Refund
Postage		\$5000	\$4174	\$826	\$5000	
Postage Supplies (Dymo Labels)		\$550	\$410	\$140	\$600	
Office Supplies		\$500	\$408	\$92	\$600	
Printing and Stationary Supplies		\$2500	\$2605	\$(105)	\$2700	
Printing Outside		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Printing Roster / Contests & Awards Books		\$3800	\$3792	\$8	\$3800	
Purchases – Other Sales		\$1000	\$783	\$217	\$1000	District & Zone School
Purchases – Trading Pins		\$1484	\$1484	\$0	\$ -	
Purchase Vest Rental Refund		\$100	\$ -	\$100	\$100	
Purchases – Uniforms for Sale		\$5324	\$5490	\$(166)	\$2000	100 Vests
Computer Programs		\$617	\$617	\$(0)	\$800	
Exchange Expense		\$26,497	\$26,497	\$0	\$10,000	
Utilities		\$6200	\$5660	\$540	\$6200	
Total MD19 Operations – General		\$63,761	\$59,152	\$4609	\$41,679	

			2016-2017	Actual	Variance	2017-2018	
Insurance – Auto/Building			Budget	4/27/2017		Budget	
Auto Insurance			\$1720	\$1720	\$ -	\$1750	
Commercial Pkge Insurance (Bldg., Liability, Crime, Employee Dishonesty)			\$2453	\$2453	\$ -	\$2500	
Total Insurance – Auto/Building			\$4173	\$4173	\$ -	\$4250	
			2016-2017	Actual	Variance	2017-2018	
Personnel-Calendar Year			Budget	4/27/2017		Budget	
Part Time Employee: Bookkeeper			\$500	\$260	\$240	\$ -	
Bulletin Editor			\$1800	\$1675	\$125	\$1800	
Medical Insurance – April 2017			\$14,760	\$12,739	\$2021	\$13,295	Patty off 10/1
Payroll – Admin Assistant-Statistics \$12.57			\$26,246	\$22,343	\$3903	\$26,246	
Payroll – Executive Secretary \$21.49			\$44,871	\$37,822	\$7049	\$43,315	
Payroll – Receptionist / Bookkeeper \$11.00			\$13,390	\$12,105	\$1285	\$13,390	
SUI (Employ. Security 1.77% x \$44,000 max per employee 1/2017			\$1000	\$1524	\$(524)	\$1468	
FICA – 1/1/2017 Soc Sec 6.2% gross 1/2017			\$5600	\$4601	\$999	\$5143	
FUTA – 1/1/2017 Fed. Unemployment 0.06% x \$7k max			\$168	\$125	\$43	\$126	
Medicare – 1/1/2017 Medicare 1.45% gross 1/2017			\$1470	\$1076	\$394	\$1203	
L&I –SDI (Worker's Comp –L&I .1666 x reg hrs) 1/2017			\$943	\$740	\$203	\$912	
Pension-Exec Sec. 6% or .06 of gross payroll (6/30/2017)			\$2692	\$2785	\$(93)	\$675	Through 9/30/17
Pension-Admin Asst. 6% or .06 of gross Payroll (6/30/2017)			\$1563	\$1647	\$(84)	\$1563	
Pension-Reception. 6% or .06 of gross payroll			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$800	
Total Personnel			\$115,003	\$99,443	\$15,560	\$109,940	
			2016-2017	Actual	Variance	2017-2018	
Taxes (non-personnel)			Budget	4/27/2017		Budget	
Personal Property Tax			\$100	\$77	\$23	\$100	
Building Property Tax			\$4800	\$4907	\$(107)	\$5000	
Total Taxes (non-personnel)			\$4900	\$4985	\$(85)	\$5100	
			2016-2017	Actual	Variance	2017-2018	
Support: Club, Zone and District			Budget	4/27/2017		Budget	
International Director Candidate			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Executive Secretary-Treasurer Training Expenses			\$ -	\$1266	\$(1266)	\$17,000	
1 st & 2 nd Vice Dist. Governors at District Cabinet Meetings (\$800+\$800)			\$800	\$509	\$291	\$800	
Awards & Trophies – Plaques, Banner Patches & Embroidery, Certificates			\$1300	\$754	\$546	\$1300	
MD19 Bulletin (<i>Border Crossing</i>): Total Expense of printing/AWeber			\$800	\$434	\$366	\$800	
Council Chairperson Expense			\$3500	\$1218	\$2282	\$4000	
1 st & 2 nd Vice Dist. Governors at MD19 Council Meetings			\$2500	\$2958	\$(458)	\$3500	
Council Meeting - Fall	Surrey, B.C. 2017		\$1918	\$1966	\$(48)	\$2000	
Council Meeting - Winter	TBD		\$2800	\$2270	\$227	\$2600	
Council Meeting - Spring	University of B.C. 2018		\$2500	\$1113	\$1229	\$2600	Room deposit 2017
Dist. & Zone Officer Training-hotel,	University of B.C. 2018		\$12,500	\$1543	\$10957	\$12,500	2016 school payments
Dist. & Zone Officer Training-Admin 2017			\$ -	\$11,329	\$(11,329)	\$10,000	
Executive Secretary Expense			\$4000	\$3124	\$876	\$4500	
MD19 District Team Expenses			\$2000	\$2059	\$(59)	\$2000	
Membership / Rebuilding Programs			\$200	\$ -	\$200	\$ -	
Extension Chairperson	50%		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Total Club, Zone and District Support			\$34,818	\$29,277	\$5,541	\$63,600	
			2016-2017	Actual	Variance	2017-2018	
Telephone			Budget	4/27/2017		Budget	
Telephone (Local, LD, Fax, Cell & Internet)			\$3800	\$3525	\$275	\$3400	\$30/mo on paycheck
Website			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Total Telephone & Website			\$3800	\$3525	\$275	\$3400	
			2016-2017	Actual	Variance	2017-2018	
Zone Chairperson			Budget	4/27/2017		Budget	
Zone Chairperson – Expenses			\$10,000	\$7807	\$2193	\$10,000	
Zone Chairperson – MD19 Annual Convention			\$5883	\$6166	\$(283)	\$6200	
Total Zone Chairperson			\$15,883	\$13,973	\$1910	\$16,200	
			2016-2017	Actual	Variance	2017-2018	
Reserve			Budget	4/27/2017		Budget	
Payable to MD 19 Reserve			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Payable to Building Reserve			\$2300	\$2299	\$1	\$2300	
Total Reserve			\$2300	\$2299	\$1	\$2300	

Contingency				\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$4852	
Total MD19 Expense				\$268,551	\$263,928	\$4,623	\$276,183	
Total MD19 Expense Budget				\$268,551	\$263,928	\$4,623	\$276,183	
Total MD19 Income Budget				\$255,466	\$283,767	\$28,301	\$276,184	
Net Income / (Loss)				\$ -	\$19,839	\$ -	\$0"	

The approval for the 2017-2018 MD19 Budget will be done later in this meeting under New Business by the 2017-2018 Council of Governors.

“Additional information provided by the MD19 Office regarding Canadian Exchange rates:



Confirm Transaction

Please confirm the following:

Amount: 399.28 CAD
Conversion rate: 1.3776
Converted Amount: 289.84 USD
From: Chequing 00160-1168889
To: Chequing 00160-4002317

Important Information

Since foreign exchange rates fluctuate, the conversion rate above is held for a limited time. To accept the above rate, please confirm this transaction promptly.

Payments and transfers to a third party from your RBC Royal Bank credit card account are treated as cash advances (up to your available credit and daily limits) and are subject to the standard annual interest rate on your credit card from the day the cash advance is posted until the balance is paid in full. A \$3.50 cash advance fee per transaction applies and will be charged to your RBC Royal Bank credit card.

Cheques written on a Canadian bank and in Canadian Funds.

The Multiple District 19 Office has two options when banking such cheques:

1. Bank the cheques in Peoples Bank. At the time of the deposit, the money would be exchanged into U.S. Funds according to the exchange rate of the day. We would record the amount of exchange paid for this specific deposit. It would be recorded in the Budget line item 57 'Exchange Income – For Information Only'. The only exception to this situation would be cheques that when exchanged would amount to more than \$1,000.00 in U.S. These cheques would be sent to the International Exchange Department because they would be affected by a different exchange rate per bank regulations.
 2. Bank the cheques in Royal Bank of Canada as Canadian Funds and then transfer the amount into the U.S. Funds Account
- When banking Canadian Funds, it is important to note that the rate of exchange varies between American banks. It is also important to note that the rate of exchange varies between U.S. banks and Canadian banks on any given day. Case in point:

Today, 5/23/2017		
Columbia Bank	\$399.28 Canadian	\$272.03 U.S. Funds
Peoples Bank	\$399.28 Canadian	\$285.41 U.S. Funds
Royal Bank	\$399.28 Canadian	\$289.84 U.S. Funds

- In Canada, Exchange rates can fluctuate during the day; they are not set up for a 24 hour period like U.S. banks, so when you want to accept an exchange rate, you need to do it immediately to ensure that you will receive that rate.
- In an effort to have a clearer idea of how much the exchange of funds is costing the Lions for each dues deposit, we can determine the amount of the exchange on the day of deposit by either depositing

the money in a U.S. Bank or transferring the money online into the RBC U.S. Account. We would record that exchange amount in the budget line item called 'Exchange Income-For Information Only'.

Example:

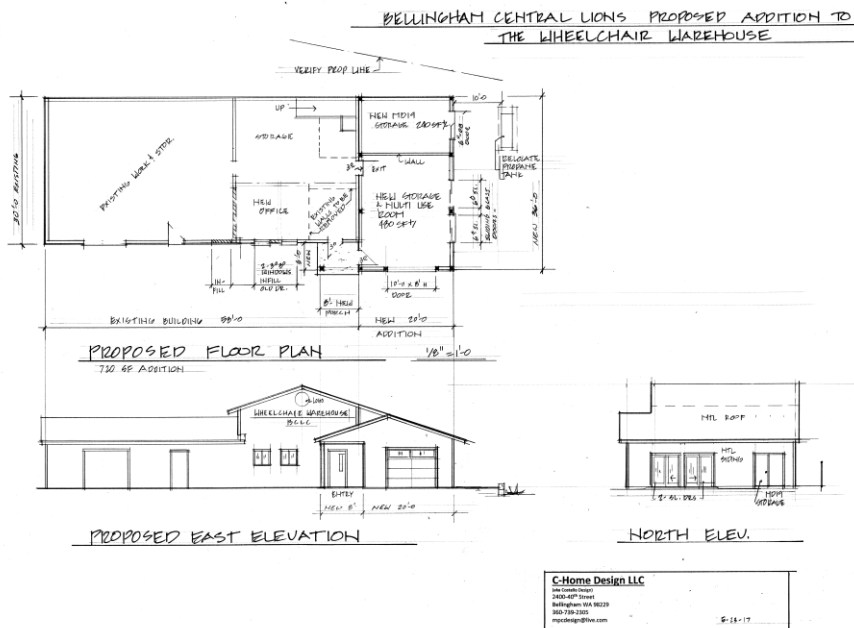
\$399.28 Canadian Funds banked \$99.43 Exchange Amount Paid \$99.43 'Exchange Income'™

REPORTS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

MD19 BUILDING REPORT by EST Patty Allen for Lion Marc Boucher, Chairperson:

"The Wheelchair Warehouse Advisory Committee has agreed on a design plan for a proposed expansion of the Bellingham-Central Lions Club Wheelchair Warehouse located adjacent to the MD19 Office. This modest expansion will help to meet the warehouse storage and service demands. It will also provide a multi-purpose room that can be used at the time of the Memorial Garden Dedication in case of inclement weather and to shut out the noise from the I-5 Freeway when the Memorial Garden Chairperson is talking about the latest memorial plants and the Lions for whom they have been planted. The expansion will also enlarge the space used to house the MD19 riding lawn mower and equipment for the lawn and garden upkeep, which is badly needed.

Bellingham-Central Lions Club 2nd Vice President Tim Vail will be attending the MD19 Spring Council of Governors' Meeting to answer any questions the Council may have regarding this expansion and its use. The Bellingham-Central Lions will cover all of the costs of this expansion and requests the Council of Governors approval.



MOTION: A motion was made by PCC Al Beddows and seconded by PDG Brian Phillips, 19-I to approve the proposed building expansion to the Bellingham Central's Wheelchair Warehouse on the MD19 Office property. Motion approved.

CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS REPORT by PCC Larrie Taylor, Chairperson:

"To date we have only received the following suggested amendment items for consideration. I believe these changes were approved at the Winter Council meeting.

ARTICLE VII 'BL' SECTION 3 a. 4.

A District Cabinet may only endorse one (1) candidate for each position above the district level. The District Cabinet endorsement of the Vice Council Chairperson will be secured at a regularly scheduled District Cabinet Meeting prior to December 31st of the Lions Year in which the election will take place for the offices of ~~candidate~~ Vice Council Chairperson and Council Chairperson. A letter from the District Cabinet Secretary along with the minutes of the Cabinet Meeting where the endorsement was

passed must be received by the Multiple District Secretary-Treasurer ~~from the district cabinet secretary~~ prior to December 31st. The incumbent Vice Council Chairperson is not required to seek endorsement of his/her District Cabinet as a candidate for the office of Council Chairperson

ARTICLE V SECTION 6

*Regular meetings of the Multiple District Council of Governors shall be held The Vice Council Chairperson (Incoming Council Chairperson) may convene a ~~an unfunded~~ special meeting of the following year's Council of Governors at the ~~Annual Convention~~ **regularly scheduled Spring Council of Governors' Meeting** for the primary purpose of ~~considering and reviewing the~~ **approving the appointments of the MD19 Committee Chairpersons and members and the approved MD Multiple District Budget for the following Lions Year.***

If members of the Council have any items they wish the Committee to consider please forward them to me so I can circulate them for review by the Committee.”

CONTESTS AND AWARDS REPORT by PZC Nancy Sorensen, Chairperson:

“The Contests and Awards Committee is recommending changes to certain contests rules. These suggestions are based upon the recommendations of the Strategic Planning Committee (attached as page 3 – *pages found in packet provided to the Council by MD19 Contests & Awards Chairperson*).

The Strategic Planning Committee recommended eliminating some contests and changing others. Most of these changes were discussed at the Council of Governors' Meeting on February 18, 2017

A. Contests Unchanged. In February, the Council of Governors voted to not change the following:

1. Club Brochure
2. Club Business Card
3. Club Scrapbook
4. Uniform Parade (but that decision may be re-visited. The rules are on page 4)

B. Contests Eliminated. Some changes were adopted by the Council of Governors in February, specifically to eliminate the following:

1. Convention Attendance (current rules are on page 5)
2. MD19 Trading Pin (current rules are on page 5)
3. Visitation of the Year (current rules are on page 6)

C. Consolidation of Humorous Story and Musical Comedy. There has been discussion about consolidating the Humorous Story and Musical Comedy contests. Copies of the current rules for those two contests are attached together with a draft of the proposed consolidation on page 7.

D. Name of Club Achievement. The Strategic Planning Committee recommended changing the name of this contest so its purpose is clearer, but the Contests and Awards Committee has no suggestions. The rules for this contest are on page 8.

E. Environmental Photo and New Contest 'Lions in Action.' The Environmental Photo contest is ending at the LCI level (current rules are on page 9). There has been discussion about creating a new contest to be entitled 'Lions in Action' to encourage activities AND publicity in press in community newspapers, radio, television, and internet news sources. There needs to be thought to develop appropriate rules and means of accessing information to judges and how to make sure that purchased time and advertising is not included.

F. Talent Show Contest. The Strategic Planning Committee recommended the creation of a talent show at each MD19 convention but it is not clear why this would be a contest. It could simply be a part of the planned fun night activities.

G. Revision of Club Secretary Excellence Award. LCI has changed its website so that a club secretary can go to MyLCI and provide information regarding new officers without having to also send the information directly to the MD19 office. This would allow the club secretary to have to input the information only one time and would make the secretary's job easier.

The following proposed amendments cover changes in the procedure for **reporting the newly elected Club Officers** to Lions Clubs International and the MD19 Office. **This procedure will begin in April, 2018.**

Change #1. CLUB SECRETARY EXCELLENCE AWARD RULES

5. MULTIPLE DISTRICT 19 ROSTER INFORMATION 42

The Club Secretary must report the newly elected Club Officers on the LCI Website using MyLCI on or before May 15th of the year preceding the Lions Year the newly elected officers take office. Following the reporting of the club officers on MyLCI, the club secretary goes to 'My Lions Club' on MyLCI and clicks 'Reports'. After clicking on 'View / Print' the 'Lions Club Officers Report' should come up on the screen. This report is saved to the Secretary's computer and then emailed to the MD19 Office as an attachment. Using this method, the Club Officers for the next Lions Year must also be reported to the MD19 Office on or before May 15th to be considered 'On time'.

IN CASE OF A TIE

2. The Club Officers must be reported on MyLCI and to MD19 using the MyLCI Lions Club Officers Report on or before May 15.

Directions: (The following directions will appear in the Contests & Awards Rules for two years starting with the 2017-2018 Lions Year and will appear in the 2017-2018 Secretary Manual.)

1. Open MyLCI
2. After entering your User Name and Password, your Lions Club Page appears:
3. On the 'Home' page, click on 'My Tasks' click on 'Enter Next Year's Officers' and enter each of your club officers as directed
4. Under 'My Lions Club' drop down list, click on 'Reports'
5. Click on 'Lions Club Officer Report for Next Year'
6. Click on 'View / Print'
7. IF after selecting 'Allow Once', the report does not immediately come up, try repeating Steps 5 and 6 again.
8. Save this Document 'Lions Club Officers (Lions Year)' to computer
9. Email this document as an attachment to MD19 Office.

Change #2. ZONE CHAIRPERSON EXCELLENCE AWARD RULES

9. Each of the Lions Clubs in the Zone must have reported their newly elected Club Officers on MyLCI on or before May 15th of the year preceding the Lions Year the newly elected officers take office. Following the reporting of the club officers on MyLCI, the club secretary must create 'The Lions Club Officer Report for the Upcoming Lions Year' and have emailed to the MD19 Office as an attachment. Using this method, the Club Officers for the next Lions Year must also be reported to the MD19 Office on or before May 15th to be considered 'On time'.

IN CASE OF A TIE:

7. The Zone Clubs have all reported their new officers on MyLCI with a copy to MD19."

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Wanda Carisse, 19-D and seconded by PCC Al Beddows to change the name of the Club Achievement Award Rules (5-Minute Speaking Contest) to 'Highlighting One Current Year's Club Project' in the MD19 Contests and Awards. Motion carried.

MOTION: A motion was made by PDG Brian Phillips, 19-I and seconded by PDG Eric Keller, 19-A to accept the proposed changes to the MD19 Contests and Awards Club Secretary Excellence Award Rules, #5 and #2 under "In Case of a Tie" as well as the proposed changes to the Zone Chairperson Excellence Award Rules, #9 and #7 under "In Case of a Tie". Motion passed.

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Wanda Carisse, 19-D and seconded by PCC Al Beddows to accept the proposal of joining the contests of Musical Comedy and Humorous Story into one contest. Motion defeated.

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Wanda Carisse, 19-D and seconded by PCC Al Beddows to have the MD19 Contests and Awards Committee investigate creating a "Lions Got Talent" talent show which would incorporate the Musical Comedy, Musical Performance and Humorous Story contests. The recommendations are to be brought back to the Council at the MD19 Annual Convention, October 2017. The changes would take place in the Lions year 2018-19. Motion passed.

Meeting recessed at 10:20 AM

Meeting resumed at 10:33 AM

CONTESTS AND AWARDS Cont.

MOTION: A motion was made by PDG Don Wight, 19-H and seconded by District Governor John Moralek, 19-H for the MD19 Contests and Awards Committee to develop appropriate rules for the Lions in Action Photo Contest for the Lions Year 2018-19. Motion passed.

INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION REPORT by PID Don Shove, Chairperson:

"Celebrating 100 Years of Service!

Join the Centennial Celebration by learning, serving and empowering others to join us in service. Don't miss your once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to celebrate our first century of service.

Centennial Community Legacy Projects

Centennial Commemorative Coin

Lions Journey 1917- to present

World Wide Week of Service to Protect our Planet

Lead through Service

Invite for Impact

Connect with Community"

2018 District Conference Dates

19-A	April 28, 2018	Vancouver, B.C.
19-B	May 4-5, 2018	Bothell, WA
19-C	April 27-28, 2018	Bremerton, WA
19-D	April 6-7, 2018	Kelowna, B.C.
19-E	April 20-22, 2018	Worley, ID
19-F	March 23-24, 2018	Walla Walla, WA
19-G	May 18-19, 2018	Kelso, WA
19-H	March 16-17, 2018	Richmond, B.C.
19-I	April 20-22, 2018	Parksville, B.C.

Districts 19-C and 19-E need assistance in obtaining an International Guest. They will be contacting PID Don Shove.

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT by PDG Paul Kauzlarich, Chairperson:

"The Strategic Planning Committee continues to work on the following:

1. Formation of a 'Project Club'. Committee continues to investigate strategies and gather information and ideas about such a club.
2. Spring Ahead Membership Drive. Drive is complete and results of the membership drive have been announced. A total of 88 new members were added in March if you exclude the March deaths (18) and the disbanding of the Quincy Lions Club (20). The committee will review the results of the Spring Ahead Membership Drive and make recommendations concerning future membership in MD19.

3. Leo Members Tracking and Training. Work is still under way to have a possible 3-5 year plan tracking Leo members and training Leo Advisors.
4. Change the Method of Voting at MD19 Annual Conventions. Committee recommends that attendees from MD19 to the Lions International Convention in Chicago observe the method of voting at the convention to determine if changes should be made in the way voting is done at the MD19 Annual Convention.
5. The Strategic Planning Committee continues to encourage suggestions of subjects or topics that should be addressed by the group."

2016-17 District Governors Mar Murillo, 19-B, John Moralek, 19-H and Glen Barry, 19-E shared a special event that has taken place in their districts.

DISTRICT SUPPORT TEAM REPORTS

GLOBAL LEADERSHIP REPORT by PDG Bob Ayotte, Chairperson:

"The Vice District Governor Bi-Weekly Conversations using GoToMeeting are now completed. There were 14 engagements of 1½ hours each for a total of 21 hours. Attendance ranged from mainly 10 to 12, down to 6 in a few instances. They covered many subjects of conversation including MD19 Convention, District Conferences, preparations for International Convention, form completion, USA/Canada Forum attendance, Council of Governors involvement, MD19 Budget, Membership Drives such as the Spring Forward Membership Drive, District Goals and Action Plans. The conversations also included participation by our MD19 Executive Secretary Treasurer, Patty Allen, Council Chairperson Enoch Rowland, Vice Council Chairperson Jon Whitman, guest visitor Constitutional Area 2a GLT Coordinator Allan Hunt, MD-GMT Coordinator PDG Laura Wintersteen-Arleth, IPCC AI Beddows and eventually VCCE John Kirry and Peter Anderson, Patty Allen's replacement for MD19 EST. I believe these conversations to be useful and well received by the participants. I intend to continue these conversations this fall (perhaps at end of September) and through winter and next spring, helping to prepare our future District Leaders in years to come. I will determine the best time for these meetings when I find who could be in attendance, the same as I did last fall.

I have yet to receive enough details of the new Global Action Team being proposed by Lions Clubs International for this coming Lions year. Apparently they are holding back details prior to release to all the incoming District Governors in Chicago. A minor change deals with the District Global Membership Team, Global Leadership Team and eventual GST (Global Service Team) coordinators. These are being modified to a one-year position. Application forms still are not available on the LCI website. Multiple District GMT, GLT and GST positions will continue to be three year appointments.

The date for the 2017 Regional Progress and Planning Meetings is November 18, 2017. All three meetings will take place on the same date, with three teams from the District Support Team facilitating each of these meetings. More details to come later this year.

More information on the training sessions for the District and Zone Officer In-Service Education which start today and continue till Saturday will be given by AI Beddows, MD19 Training Coordinator. He will also give us more information on the successes of the Club Officer Training Modules.

More information on the renamed Leader Development Program will be given by PDG Brian Phillips, coordinator. More information on Facilitator Development will be given by PDG AI Hedstrom, coordinator.

I still intend on perusing the Policy Manual for minor changes that are required to align it with what we are doing vis-à-vis many activities on the GLT.

I continue to receive reports from District GLT Coordinators regarding their training and leadership activities, combining them overall for the Multiple District. I have also received suggestions for improvements needed to training in the Multiple District."

FACILITATOR DEVELOPMENT REPORT by PDG Al Hedstrom, Chairperson (Oral Report):
Recording tape distorted. No written report submitted.

LEADER DEVELOPMENT REPORT by PDG Brian Phillips, Coordinator (Oral Report):
Recording tape distorted. No written report submitted.

TRAINING REPORT by PCC Al Beddows, Chairperson (Oral Report):
Recording tape distorted. No written report submitted.

MEMBERSHIP / RETENTION REPORT by PDG Laura Wintersteen-Arleth, Chairperson:

"I am sorry I am not with you all in person to give this report, but I will be on a special journey. This will be my last report as the MD19 Global Membership Team. I want to say how rewarding a position this has been. I have loved working with the District GMTs, Retention and Extension Chairpersons. You each bring such a gift to your districts. I especially want to thank PDG Steve Somerset, who was my MD Global Leadership Team counterpart and now, PDG Bob Ayotte. I so enjoyed the partnerships we have and working so close with each of you - it made our MD19 better. I want to thank the members of the District Support Team. I have loved working with the District Support Team for the last 5 years. I am in awe of this group of Lions who so lovingly give and serve from the heart. We each brought strengths into this group that truly benefitted our entire multiple district. We are so fortunate to have a group of leaders who are so dedicated to each Lions club member and want to see our Lions in MD19 grow and serve even more. Thank you to PCC Jim Kemp, who so faithfully sends me numbers every few days. I appreciate you very much.

Thank you to the District GMTs for their dedication and reporting. I certainly appreciate you taking the time to file your quarterly LCI reports and also sending reports to me. Our members are doing amazing community work. I would strongly encourage clubs to take the attitude of getting new members in to be a part of the community service we do and not just because we need new members to increase our numbers. Do you know our MD has given 401,124 hours of Lions service since July 1, 2016? This was done with 11,599 members (as of May 12, 2017). This really makes me proud to be a Lion and serve. How many more hours of service could we have with more members? I do know when you involve your family, friends, contacts in service, they will want to join.

MD 'Spring Ahead' Membership Program was very successful in its first year. I want to thank PDG Paul Kauzlarich and the Strategic Planning Committee and PDG Kathy Crawford for heading up this program.

We do have winners to announce for our recent contest held during the month of March, 2017. The following Lions Clubs experienced the largest percentage of growth in all of MD19 and as a result have each received a congratulatory check:

- **Vancouver Northern Star Lions Club (A-1) – Clubs with 20 or Fewer Members**
- **Maple Valley Centennial Lions Club (C-3) – Clubs with 21 to 50 Members**
- **Vancouver Diamond Lions Club (A-7) – Clubs with 51 or More Members**

Each winning club will receive a \$300 check (US funds) by mail. Congratulations to everyone on your new Lions Club members!

We are encouraging clubs to have Open Houses, Club Quality Initiative programs, mentoring programs and strong orientation programs as a way of promoting membership. Spring Ahead will continue on this next Lions year. Try to promote this within all your clubs. Encourage clubs to sign up to be a part of this, so they can be recognized.

As I am writing this report, we do not yet have a replacement for MD19 GMT, although I do have interest. If you or someone you know is interested, please let me know. It is well worth the time you give.

As the new-year starts, I have some suggestions for success:

1. For the DGs: appoint the right people for the right job. Do you have someone who is interested and would make a great GMT? Reach out to them.

2. Remember, it is important to have a Retention and Extension chairperson. Include them in the planning. Give them expectations. Encourage them to be a part of your team.
3. For your membership goals, make them realistic and attainable. Include your entire team. Goals are usually not successful if only the DG or VDGs are a part of your plan. Help the GMT, Retention and Extension chairpersons, as well as Zone Chairpersons be a part of the ideas, solution and team.
4. I would like to strongly encourage our districts to look at their MMR (Monthly Membership Report) reporting. Encourage your ZCs to call on clubs who have not reported. Let's get an accurate count of how many members we actually have and how many service hours we have.
5. Encourage your GMTs to take the training offered by LCI on membership. Well worth the time. They can log onto LCI and take training. LCI has guidelines for completion and if a certain percentage is completed, the District GMT can put in for a budgeted amount from LCI to help with membership.
6. Communicate with the GMTs-Retention and Extension chairpersons regularly. Let them know your expectations.
7. Include membership ideas in your district newsletters. Reach out to the clubs that have been successful and have them share their success stories and ideas.
8. June 7, 1917, Lions Clubs International was born. Celebrate this historic day with inducting new members. Have a birthday party. Plan a special service project and invite potential members. Have your club sing Happy Birthday and post on Instagram with the hashtag: [#Lions100bday](#)

I especially want to thank the Lions of Multiple District 19 for this last year of support. Roger's accident and death has been more difficult for me than I ever imagined. I thank you for your patience as I have worked through my grief and not been up to my standard. I appreciate you all more than you will ever realize. You are such amazing friends. Thank you for a wonderful five years of serving as your MD19 GMT. The pleasure and honor has been all mine. Please feel free to contact me as a resource.

I do look forward to working with all of you as we get ready for USA/Canada Leadership Forum in Spokane: September 20-22, 2019. If you are interested in assisting, please send me an email: lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com

Overall in the Multiple District	All numbers from LCI reports	
	<u>Dec. 31, 2016</u>	<u>May 4, 2017</u>
Clubs:	427	425
Cancelled Clubs:	7	10
Current Membership:	11,356	11,578
YTD Add:	625 (YTD)	1228 (YTD)
YTD Drop:	1009 (YTD)	1391 (YTD)
YTD net growth:	-384	-163
Membership May 4, 2016:	11,853	
% of clubs with less than 20 members:	42%	41%
Members lost due to cancelled clubs:	100	134
% of no MMR reports in 3 months:	7%	5%

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT by PDG Kathy Crawford, Chairperson:

"The Spring Ahead Membership Drive has wrapped up for 2017. Winners were:

- * Vancouver Northern Star Lions Club (A-1) – Clubs with 20 or Fewer Members
- * Maple Valley Centennial Lions Club (C-3) – Clubs with 21 to 50 Members
- * Vancouver Diamond Lions Club (A-7) – Clubs with 51 or More Members

Our two clubs in Vancouver, B.C. received a certificate at their Spring Conference. The Maple Valley Centennial Lions received a certificate at their Charter Party. Checks for \$300 each were mailed to each winning club.

We are planning another membership drive for next year. Details will be shared at the Fall 2017 Council of Governors meeting."

2016-17 District Governors Monte Ward, 19-G, Jan Weatherly, 19-C and Dave Walk, 19-F shared a special event that has taken place in their districts.

OLD BUSINESS

EVALUATION REPORT by PCC Allan Hunt for PDG Joan Hunter, Chairperson:

“Bio for PDG Paul Kauzlarich (as of May 1, 2017)

Member of the Naches Lions Club since November 1978. Retired orchardist and fruit warehouse owner operator. Manager of a small irrigation district.

Lion's Activities:

- 19-F District Governor, 1984-85
- Zone Chairperson, four years
- Club Secretary, 10 years
- District F Leadership Chairperson, eight years
- District F Membership Chairperson, one year
- District F Convention Chairperson
- District F Cabinet Secretary, three years
- MD19 Convention Chairperson
- MD19 Strategic Planning Committee, 11 years
- MD19 Evaluation Committee, three years
- Other Club, Zone, District and MD19 Offices and titles. Numerous awards and recognition.”

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Wanda Carisse, 19-D and seconded by District Governor Jan Weatherly, 19-C to approve PDG Paul Kauzlarich as the DEF Representative on the MD19 Evaluation Committee. Motion passed.

VICE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON ELECTION RESULTS by PDG Steve Noble, Elections Chairperson:

“Elections for MD19 Vice Council Chairperson, 2017-18 were held at each of the nine Spring Conferences in MD19. Each ballot was placed in a locked box by the Lions voting. The locked boxes were collected by the MD19 Executive Secretary Treasurer and kept at the MD19 Office until the last Spring Conference.

The last Spring Conference was District 19-G in Ocean Shores, WA. On the Sunday morning immediately following the 19G Conference, May 21, 2017, the ballot boxes were unlocked once the selected election committee members and the scrutineer for PDG John Kirry were present. The ballots were then counted. Present at the unlocking and counting of the ballots were: EST Patty Allen; EST (in-training) Peter Anderson; Elections Chairperson PDG Steve Noble; Council Chairperson Enoch Rowland; PDG Judy Portas; PDG Don Wight; Lion Gloria Harden and scrutineer for PDG John Kirry, PDG Al Hedstrom.

Total ballots cast were 443. The majority votes were 'yes' for PDG John Kirry. All present were in agreement. The scrutineer was satisfied. John Kirry is elected at MD19 Vice Council Chairperson, 2017-18.

It was discussed that future ballots need to have instructions that only a check mark will be counted as per Lions Clubs International rules. In future votes an 'X' or other mark (other than a check mark) will not be counted.”

MOTION: A motion was made District Governor John Moralek, 19-H and seconded by PDG Bob Yeoman, 19-E to destroy the ballots. Motion carried.

A proposal was brought before the Council to eliminate the Regional Progress & Planning Meetings, rather than to try and integrate the meetings with the Annual Convention as first considered.

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Jan Weatherly, 19-C and seconded by District Governor David Walk, 19-F to eliminate the Regional Progress and Planning meetings, beginning with the scheduled November, 2017 meetings. Vote taken by show of hands: ten for and nine against. Motion passed.

Meeting recessed for lunch, 12:24 PM
Meeting resumed at 1:08 PM

The Vote concerning the elimination of the Regional Progress and Planning meetings was revisited. According to the MD19 Parliamentarian, Council Chairperson Enoch Rowland does have a vote. It was previously thought that he could not vote in the previous motion concerning the Regional Progress & Planning meeting. He voted against the motion which then tied the vote and defeated the motion to eliminate the meetings. PDG Al Hedstrom appealed, calling for a vote to either accept the Council Chairperson's vote, which would defeat the previous motion or to vote against the Council Chairperson's vote which would allow the previous motion to be passed. The vote is as follows: ten members in favor of the Council Chairperson's vote and eight against his decision and one abstention. The previous motion to eliminate the Progress and Planning Meetings has been overruled.

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Wanda Carisse, 19-D and seconded by PDG Brian Phillips, 19-I to conduct a study on how to make the Regional Progress and Planning Meetings more relevant. Members of the Committee conducting the study would come from the District Support Team and a representative from the outgoing and incoming governors from each region (AHI, BCG, DEF) with results reported back in October at the Annual Convention Council of Governors' Meeting. Motion passed.

The "Changing of the Guard" took place at this time with the District Governors Elect taking the place of the 2016-2017 Past District Governors on the Council.

NEW BUSINESS

The following motions were voted on by the 2017-2018 Council of Governors: (Their titles will reflect their 2017-2018 titles)

2017-2018 MD19 BUDGET

MOTION: A motion was made by Immediate Past District Governor Jan Weatherly, 19-C and seconded by Immediate Past District Governor Alan Guy, 19-I to accept the proposed 2017-2018 MD19 Budget. Motion carried.

MOTION: A motion was made by Immediate Past District Governor Jan Weatherly, 19-C and seconded by Immediate Past District Governor Monte Ward, 19-G to adopt the proposed process of adding a line item in the budget report showing the Canadian Exchange received under "Income". Motion passed.

MOTION: A motion was made by Immediate Past District Governor Wanda Carisse, 19-D and seconded by Immediate Past District Governor Glen Barry, 19-E to strike the words, '...in billing International dues to Canadian clubs.' in the MD19 Policy Manual, Chapter 2, Budget and Finance, letter C and replace them with, 'as determined on the 1st day of the current month.' Motion passed.

2017-2018 MD19 Committee Chairpersons

The following 2017-2018 MD19 Committee Chairpersons Members and Other Appointees were brought before the Council for approval:

Budget & Finance: PDG Brien Patton, Chairperson (19-G); ZC Morley Brown (19-D); PDG Bob Yeoman (19-E); PDG Carol Whitman (19-F) Committee Members

Border Crossing Editor: Chaz Nelson (19-H)

Building:

CARE: PDG Erma Kemp, (19-F)

Centennial Coordinator – B.C.: PDG Steve Somerset (19-H)

Centennial Coordinator – US: PDG J.D. Nellor, (19-G)

Constitution & By-Laws: PCC Larrie Taylor, (19-I) Chairperson; PDG Paul Kauzlarich (19-F) Committee Member

Contests & Awards: PDG Janet Rinehart, Chairperson; 2nd year, Lion Laura Patton (19-G); 3rd year, PDG Marie Vogel (19-F)

Conventions:

2017 Annual Convention: PZC Lynda Davidson, (19-H); Lion Wendy Canessa, Co-Chairperson (19-H)

2018 International Convention: Lions Mark & Debbie Costello, (19-H)
USA / Canada Forum: PID Anne Smarsh, (19-B)
Diabetes Awareness: PDG Tom Smarsh, (19-B)
Environment: Lion Nancy Messmer (19-I); PCC Enoch Rowland, (19-B), Co-Chairpersons
Evaluation Committee: PCC Allan Hunt, (A,H,I), Chairperson; PDG Rosemary Richert, (B,C,G); PDG Paul Kauzlarich (D,E,F)
Information Technology: PZC Ken Ball, (19-H)
Webmaster: PZC Sandy Ball, (19-H)
International Relations:
International Participation: PDG Eric Keller, (19-A) Committee Member
LCIF – B.C.: PCC Polly Voon (19-A)
LCIF – US: PDG Joan Hunter (19-D)
Leader Dogs: PZC Lonnie Morse (19-F)
LEO Clubs: Lion Barry Shiles, (19-H)
Lioness: PZC Linda Shaffrick, (19-D)
Lions Quest – BC: PZC Mike Stanford (19-H)
Memorial Garden: PDG Ed Brunz, (19-H)
Parliamentarian: PDG Rosemary Richert, (19-B)
Policy Manual: PCC Jim Kemp, (19-F), Chairperson; PDG Terry Sutfin (19-G), Committee Member
Strategic Planning: PDG Jan Weatherly, (B,C,G) Rep.; PZC Jane Beddows (A,H,I rep)
District Support Team: VCC John Kirry, Facilitator
Extension:
Leadership (15-18): PDG Bob Ayotte (19-D)
Facilitator Development Chairperson (15-18): PDG Al Hedstrom (19-C)
Leader Development (17-20): PDG Brian Phillips, (19-I)
Training Chairperson (16-19): PCC Al Beddows
Membership/Retention (17-20):
Public Relations (15-18): PDG Kathy Crawford, (19-G)
Canadian LERC: Lion Barry Shiles

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Steve Muenz, 19-D and seconded by District Governor Bill Karcher, 19-G to accept the 2017-2018 MD19 Committee appointments. Motion carried.

It is reported that there are 140+ Lions from Multiple District 19 attending the Lions Clubs International Convention in Chicago, IL.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MD19 Annual Convention	October 12-14, 2017	Surrey, B.C.
2018 Winter Council Meeting	February 24, 2018	Yakima, WA
2018 NW Lions Leadership Institute	May 10-13, 2018	UBC Campus – Vancouver, B.C.
2018 Spring Council Meeting	May 31, 2018	UBC Campus – Vancouver, B.C.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:00 pm.