

## MINUTES OF THE MD19 SPRING COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS' MEETING

June 13, 2019

Howard Johnson, Yakima, WA

The Council Meeting was called to order by Council Chairperson John Kirry at 8:30 am. Invocation was given by District Governor Wayne Atkinson, 19-D. 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

John Kirry, Council Chairperson  
J.D. Nellor, Vice Council Chairperson  
Jon Whitman, Past Council Chairperson  
Peter Anderson, Executive Secretary-Treasurer  
Kenneth Liu, District Governor 19-A  
Sharon Sikes, District Governor 19-C  
Wayne Atkinson, District Governor 19-D  
Lyndon Harriman, District Governor 19-E  
David Heath, District Governor 19-F  
Mark Mansell, District Governor 19-G  
Gord Graves, District Governor 19-H  
Mike Dukes, District Governor 19-I  
Wanda Carisse, PDG 19-D  
Crystal Walk, PDG 19-F  
Bill Karcher, PDG 19-G

### II. MD19 Committee Chairperson's & Appointees

PDG Brien Patton, Budget & Finance  
PDG Erma Kemp, CARE  
PDG Janet Rinehart, Contests & Awards  
PZC George Sim, 2018 Annual Convention  
PDG Wanda Carisse, Leadership  
PCC Al Beddows, Training  
PDG Crystal Walk, Service  
PDG Tom Smarsh, Diabetes  
Lion Nancy Messmer, Environment  
PDG Carol Whitman, Leader Dogs East  
ZCE Debbie Mansell, Leader Dogs West  
VCC J.D. Nellor, Webmaster  
PDG Rosemary Richert, EST Evaluation  
PDG Chuck Waid, Parliamentarian  
PCC Jim Kemp, Policy Manual  
PID Anne Smarsh – USA / Canada Forum

### III. Foundations & Societies

PZC Brian Morin, MD19 Lions Service & Leader. FDN

### IV. Lions, Lioness, Leos and Guests

1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Patty Allen	Lewie Fickett	1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Bob Nordlund
PDG Bob Ayotte	PDG Rita Fok	ZCE Jack Peebles
Sonia Ayotte	1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Ray Fujiura	ZC Ed Poquette
2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG Terry Bain	ZC Joel Hagen	Laura Patton
1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Jane Beddows	ZC Sharon Hansen	PDG Brian Ross
Lion Michele Barrie	Gloria Hardan	PID Roger Richert
1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Frank Bega	1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Peggy Harriman	ZCE Melissa Smith
1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Debbie Bostock	1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Doug Harvey	PDG Steve Somerset
1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Pat Burch	Sharon Hryciuk	1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Cec Specht
ZCE Ken Cain	Margaret Iu	Cathy Specht
2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG Orson Christensen	ZCE Mike Jensen	1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Stephen Staudinger
ZCE Karen Crabb	1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Michael Lally	ZCE Lee Teichmer
PDG Marilyn Danby	ZCE Vivian Lo	PDG Laura Wintersteen-Arleth
PDG Rick Drury	Darling McInturff	2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG Hans Wong
Patti Easterling	2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG Louis Montes-Gonzales	
ZCE Cindy Fickett	1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Donna Murr	

**MOTION:** A motion was made by District Governor Lyndon Harriman, 19-E and seconded by District Governor Sharon Sikes, 19-C to accept as posted the Minutes of the MD19 Winter Council of Governors' Meeting, held in Tacoma, WA. February 2, 2019. Motion passed.

PZC George Sim, the 2018 Annual Convention Chairperson for Whistler, B.C. presented to the Council a check for \$3,700 from the Ambleside Tiddlycove Lions Club, (A-2) to assist in offsetting the costs of the Whistler Annual Convention.

### CONSENT AGENDA REPORTS

**INT'L YOUTH EXCHANGE REPORT** by PDG George Robison, Chairperson:

"Over the past twenty years the MD19 Youth Exchange Program has its highs and lows because of the difficulty of being assured that all clubs are aware of the Lions Youth Exchange Program and having a Lion

at the club or zone level who will promote Youth Exchange. Several districts and most zones and clubs do not have a Youth Exchange Chairperson. The years 2018 and 2019 have been modestly successful years. In 2018 we hosted significant numbers from Europe and Australia and expect the same in 2019.

In 2019, youth from Canada and the U.S. will travel to Australia, Italy, Japan, Switzerland and South Carolina. We are presently seeking hosts for two youth from Germany and have hosts for youth from Italy and Turkey. Several months back we were informed by Australia that unless some changes were made to the MD19 host family process that only youth 18 and older would be allowed to visit as part of the Lions Youth Exchange Program. A new Host Family Application was developed for MD19 and we have been notified that the changes meet the standard required by Australia for ages 16 and 17 to visit.

The year 2019 is seeing some significant firsts. For the first time a Muslim youth from Turkey will be hosted and MD19 will send a youth to Spain and another to Switzerland. Thanks to Robyn Berry of 19I, two youth from Vancouver Island will visit a youth camp and hosts in South Carolina. In 2018 MD19 hosted a youth from Mexico, another first. Because MD36 (Oregon) has no active Youth Exchange Chairperson, we completed the paperwork process for a youth sponsored by an Oregon club to visit New Zealand and Australia.

The MD19 Youth Exchange Foundation is well and functioning. In 2019 three \$1,000 awards were given, resulting in youth travelling to Australia, Italy and Spain. However, very few contributions have been made to the fund. Only a handful of clubs and two zones have made donations. MD19 and the districts have not made contributions. Each fall every club and every Leo advisor receives information on how to apply for the scholarship, but the applications received came from applicants who did not receive the information through a club or a Leo advisor.

Lions Clubs International has a written policy on Youth Camps and Exchanges, which can be found at [https://temp.lionsclubs.org/EN/pdfs/yce\\_policy.pdf](https://temp.lionsclubs.org/EN/pdfs/yce_policy.pdf). The first paragraph reads: 'a. Committees of liaison officers shall be established to coordinate various aspects of Youth Camp and Exchange at the district and multiple levels where deemed appropriate and advisable. Youth Camp and Exchange committee members shall be appointed by the respective governor, at the district level, or council of governors, at the multiple district level. Members of the multiple district Youth Camp and Exchange committee may include the sub district youth camp and exchange chairpersons.'

The MD19 Council of Governors has consistently found that Youth Exchange is beneficial to MD19 and the Council Chairperson has consistently appointed an MD19 Youth Exchange Chairperson. Note that the paragraph mentioned above states 'shall be established', yet many District Governors have failed to appoint a Youth Exchange Chairperson and it seems that such will continue in 2020. Since MD19 does not have a Youth Exchange Camp, one can skip to page eight of the policy for something specifically applicable to MD19. It appears from the 'Operating Procedures' that in any district that does not have a Youth Exchange Chairperson it then becomes the duty of the District Governor to perform all youth exchanges. '(b) Initial communications between an interested sponsor club and host club will be through the district youth camp and exchange program chairperson or multiple district chairperson, as appropriate. If contact information is unavailable, this communication will be sent to the respective district governor.'

**LEADER DOG REPORT** by PDG Carol Whitman and Debbie Mansell, Chairpersons:

**"MD 19 Leader Dog Donations (Data collected from Leader Dog website)**

**1st - 3rd quarter 2018-2019 Lions year**

District A- \$ 0.00	District D- \$ 1950.00	District G- \$ 2128.46
District B- \$ 2750.00	District E- \$ 6839.31	District H- \$ 3900.00
District C- \$ 750.00	District F- \$ 4875.00	District I- \$ 0.00

**Total \$23,192.77**

Leader Dog donations appear to be less this year than the prior 2017-2018 Lions year. However, donation data is currently only available through the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. Co-chairpersons Carol and Debbie are hopeful that MD19 clubs will send in their budgeted donations before June 30<sup>th</sup>. The following article was submitted to the May/June Border Crossing.

Dear Multiple District 19 Lions,

The end of our 2018-2019 Lion's year is quickly approaching. Has your club made its annual Leader Dog donation yet? Last year the clubs in our Multiple District collectively donated \$41,416.82. According to the Lions Contribution Report found on the Leader Dog website, the third quarter collective donation total shows MD19 giving only \$23,192.77. Our MD19 contributions are down over \$18,000.00 thus far.

MD19 has to the end of June to make our 2018-2019 club donations. Lion's donations make a difference in the lives of individuals who receive a Leader Dog. Your club contributions give independence and increase mobility to the blind and visually impaired Leader Dog clients.

If your club has already made a donation, thank you very much. Those dollars are already making a difference! However, if your club has a donation line item for Leader Dogs and you haven't mailed you check in yet, please do so as soon as possible."

**LEO REPORT** by ZC Barry Shiles, Chairperson:

"We have a new Leo Club in Kelowna, thanks to the efforts and support of the Kelowna Lions Club. The Leo advisors are PDG Bob Ayotte, Beverly Dawe and David Lange. Their hard work and determination have brought about our 60<sup>th</sup> MD19 Leo Club. Congratulations.

The Leo Club Excellence Award applications need to be in by August 1<sup>st</sup> to the eight (8) District Governors with Leo Clubs in their Districts.

The Leo of the Year Award has been judged and determined and will be presented at our MD19 Annual Convention in October.

While the Leo Clubs are a challenge for our Leo advisors they are also worthwhile. Our recognition of Leos as partners in service is important as they are the future of our organization. District H 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Patty Allen has included two Leos on her 2019-20 Cabinet. Placing Leos on our cabinet will demonstrate to Lions how outstanding these young people are and the contributions they will make to our Association. This will be the first time in our MD we have placed Leos in an advisory role. This will allow Lions to better understand Leo issues and take steps to help make the Lion relationship with Leos better. These young people will contribute with enthusiasm to our meetings.

The Leo Essay Contest had eight entries this year which is a three-fold improvement: three Senior (16 to 18yrs) and two Junior (14 to 15yrs) were winners. The funding for the Essay Contest was through a grant from the MD19 Lions Service & Leadership Foundation. Many thanks to the foundation for their support of our youth and Leos. The judging committee consisted of PZC Lynda Davidson (19-H), Lion Wendy Canessa (19-H) and ZC Joyce Stevens (19-D). A big thank you for their help in judging. Next year we would like to see many more entries. This is just the second year and I can see where we are showing Leos we support them in tangible ways.

I have been appointed by the LCI Board of Directors to one of 24 positions on the LCI Leo Advisory Panel. The appointment is for LCI Area 2 (Canada). I'm not sure how this will be possible as it's a big country if you have noticed. I think from what I have learned that most of the meetings and discussion will be on line. Another new skill to learn. It will be a challenge to find ways to reach out to Lions and Leos in Canada.

Right now we have a goal to get a few Leos to the USA / Canada Leadership Forum in Spokane, WA in September. If any of the Leo Advisors can let me know if any of their Leos are attending it would be appreciated. Contact me at: [barryshiles@dccnet.com](mailto:barryshiles@dccnet.com)"

**LIONESS REPORT** by Linda Schaffrick, Chairperson:

"The Lioness clubs for MD19 are all keeping busy.

There are 13 Lioness clubs in MD19 with 171 + members (some clubs have not sent in reports).

The clubs are still in full swing. This report is for five months (January - May).

A brief overview of some of the activities for this report: a fund raiser for Dog Guides; delivering of school lunches; attending Camp Winfield spring clean-up and meeting; hockey arena concession; attendance at District Spring Conferences; helping with Red Cross; working with Youth Ambassadors; tree chipping; transportation for seniors; school breakfast program; Women's transition house; helping with sports events; working at the food bank; serving seniors meals; garage sale; knitting for seniors and babies; Adopt a block; White Cane display; flea market and bake sale; Victoria Day parade; Mother's Day boxes; Walk for Dog Guides; Mother's day market; plant sale. These are a 'few' of the many projects that the Lioness are doing. A total of 4053 hours.

Donations were made to: Camperships for Camp Winfield and Camp Winfield improvements; Diabetic pump for a child; medical assistance; food bank; family burnt out in house fire; cancer; Glass Slipper (free clothing for underprivileged grads); Camp Kakhamela (diabetic camp); Ronald McDonald House; transition house; Camp Shawnigan; Children's Garden Club; Minor Lacrosse league; bursary; Alzheimer's Society; K-9 program; 4-H; JoeAnna's House; Cancer; Lions Foundation of Canada; Jubilee Care; Jumpstart program...plus many more worthy causes. A total of \$50,240 in donations were made.

As some of the clubs have not sent in reports, I would like to ask the in-coming District Governors to please encourage the Lioness clubs in their district to send in reports to me so that the work of all the Lioness clubs in MD19 can be acknowledged.

We Serve Too!"

**LIONS QUEST - BC REPORT** by PDG Norma Bent, Chairperson:

"I am pleased to report that Lions Quest is being promoted in three of our five Districts in BC.

In 19I – PZC Lion Michael Stanford, Lions Quest Chairperson:

A Lions Quest K-8 Workshop took place in Port McNeil, British Columbia on September 4, 2018. The workshop was held at Sunset Elementary Middle School with 26 participants attending the workshop. Bruce Ivany was the Facilitator. The feedback from the participants was very positive.

Community Workshops will be held at the following locations and facilitated by Joanne McQuiggan, Executive Director for Lions Quest Canada: May 27, 2019 from 6:30 to 9:30 PM at the Delta Ocean Pointe Hotel, Executive Room, 100 Harbour Road, Victoria, BC, Canada.

May 28, 2019 from 1 to 4 PM at the Delta Ocean Pointe Hotel, Executive Room, 100 Harbour Road, Victoria, BC, Canada.

May 29, 2019, from 1 to 4 PM at the Parksville Community Centre, 132 Jensen Ave East, Parksville, BC, Canada.

May 30, 2019, from 1 to 4 PM at the Best Western - The Westerly Hotel, 1590 Cliffe Avenue, Courtenay, BC, Canada.

In 19D – PDG Norma Bent, Lions Quest Chairperson:

A school based workshop at Thompson Rivers University for student teachers and community organization staff is planned for this fall. Community Workshops were held April 4<sup>th</sup> in Enderby and April 7<sup>th</sup> in Penticton. There was a panel and display at the Spring Conference in Penticton. All these events were facilitated by Joanne McQuiggan, Executive Director for Lions Quest Canada. Feedback from all events was very positive. Joanne and Penticton Lion Jim met with school board representatives in the area and a school based workshop is being planned for August, 2019 in the Oliver School District.

In 19A – Lion Vivian Lo, Lions Quest Chairperson:

Has been working on promoting the Lions Quest Programs in her District.

At this time we don't have any Lions Quest Chairpersons in 19E or 19H. Anyone reading this report that has any contacts for these two Districts for a Lions Quest chairperson please let me know.

It is important that the Lions Quest programs both community and school based are being promoted in our Lions Districts in B.C. to bring positive youth development and 'Make a Difference for Kids' in all our communities."

**LCIF – EAST REPORT** by PDG Bob Yeoman, Chairperson:

"As we approach the end of fiscal year 2018-2019 Districts D, E and F are all showing increases in donations for the year. District D has had donations of \$17,194 which is an increase of \$2411; District E has donations of \$34,213 which is an increase \$8,411 and F has donations of \$14,399, an increase of \$2480.

All the district coordinators have worked hard this year in an effort to get clubs and members to donate towards Campaign 100. Those efforts have resulted in an increase of \$13,302. We still have a number of clubs that find it difficult to donate to LCIF- rather they do so many good things in their communities. This is the reason Melvin Jones started Lions, to serve people in our communities. We have now become an international organization and need to work with training of those clubs. Donations from individual members is an area we will need to work on next year as many members are still hesitant to donate to Campaign 100. First Vice President Choi has already received commitments of \$1.2 million from close to 730 District Governors.

I need to recognize the Airway Heights Lions Club of District E, Zone 1. This club has achieved 100% Melvin Jones Fellowships for the entire club membership. Congratulations to President Jerry Hood and his club members.

As we move closer to 2019-2020 I encourage every club to have a line item in their budget for LCIF. We have had a nice increase in donations but feel that we can do more. Have the LCIF Club Coordinator plan a special fundraiser with proceeds dedicated to LCIF.

Note: Above dollar figures are for all clubs, both in Canada and U.S."

**MD19 FOUNDATION REPORTS**

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

"Lions keep collecting eyeglasses. More keep coming from all over B.C., stored and then shipped, free of charge, to the Canadian Eyeglass Recycling Center in Calgary, AB. Yes, Lions do a great job of collecting glasses. This easiest of all service projects, and the most effective service Lions do for the world.

Since the last Council meeting we have shipped in excess of 80 apple boxes from B.C. with approximately 40,000 pairs of glasses to CLERC Calgary. This does not include all the glasses shipped from the north of B.C. with other carriers, which I estimate to be 20,000 or more.

Lately there have been some questions about what kind of glasses we ship.

We take all types of glasses: readers, bifocal, trifocals, sunglasses, and broken glasses, separated and loose lenses. We do not accept cases and cleaning clothes as unfortunately they are useless and unless you can find another use for them they go in the garbage. Glasses cannot be shipped in liquor boxes due to interprovincial shipping rules/laws. The best boxes are apple boxes or McDonalds French fry boxes which they will give you free, just ask at the restaurants and or stores.

This simple project has resulted in the last ten years Lions from BC and Alberta giving more than five million glasses to those in need all around the world.

One of our biggest problems collecting glasses are stores where they will break them in half once a style changes and throw them in the garbage, refusing to give them to Lions. My guess is they fear we are going to sell them but that will never happen, we do it all for free. If there is anyone with contacts with 'Loblaws' who could approach them with the idea of bring them into the eyeglass collection program it would be a great thing. Thanks."

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

“Council Chairperson John, fellow Council Members, Lions, Lioness, Leos and guests, greetings. The Lions of BC Hearing Conservation Society is working very hard to provide a one-of-a-kind service to our communities; making it easier to communicate with one another, making life a little better for those who cannot afford hearing aids.

This year so far we have provided forty (40) hearing aids to deserving clients. The society spent over \$60,000 to provide this service.

Canadian Lions clubs collect used hearing aids and send them to us. The hearing aids are sorted and sent to the Island Deaf & Hard of Hearing Centre for verification and use.

We have a great awards program for deserving Lions; the Meade Sutherland Fellowship Award for \$500 and the Society Fellowship Award for \$50. Lions clubs can order these for deserving Lions.

My friends, we remain deeply grateful for all your help and donations. For information please send me an email at [governor.gahir@gmail.com](mailto:governor.gahir@gmail.com)

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

**LIONS PROJECT NEW HOPE REPORT** by Pat Bucknell, President:

“For the year 2018-2019 we have projected 200% in growth.

Number of adults, children, and volunteers attending retreats since 2010:

Years	Adults	Children	Volunteers	Retreats/Workshops/Events
2010-2017	274	286	270	24
2018 to date	613	371	127	5/7/12

- 887 families from all branches of service have been served.
- 135 families attended a Military First Responder Retreat.
- 92% of our families sign up for weekly mentor programming through our community--an important part.
- 100% of our Retreats have been filled.
- 78 Military spouses have participated in our weekly programs.
- Winter months: Men & Women Veterans and caregivers will be hosted for one day workshops.

Our participation with HEROES Challenge and Association of United States Army has provided outreach opportunities to over 7,000 active duty soldiers. LIONS PROJECT NEW HOPE NW received national recognition from the Association of the United States.

We greatly appreciate the support the Lions Clubs of MD19 have given us over the years. Your continued support through donations is crucial to the success of our mission. For more information on LIONS PROJECT NEW HOPE NW, please contact us via email at [projectnewhopenw@gmail.com](mailto:projectnewhopenw@gmail.com) or call/text Isabella Colvin, Vice President of Operations at 337-516-8738.”

**MD19 LIONS SERVICE & LEADERSHIP FDN REPORT** by PZC Brian Morin, President:

“The Annual General Meeting of the Foundation was held on May 2, 2019. A new Board of Directors was elected and is as follows:

**2019-20 Foundation Board:**

President – PDG Dan Comsia  
Past President - PZC Brian Morin  
Vice President – PDG Leslie Smith

Secretary – PDG Marilyn Danby  
B, C and G Rep – DG Donna Oiland  
D, E and F Rep - 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Frank Bega  
A, H and I Rep - Clara Chow  
Treasurer – PCC Jon Whitman  
Financial Advisor – PDG Chuck Waid  
Superintendent of the NW Lions Leadership Institute  
MD19 Lions Council Chairperson - John (J.D.) Nellor  
MD19 Service and MD19 Leadership Chairpersons  
PR Person and Non Lion position for the Foundation currently Vacant  
MD19 Lions Executive Director Peter Anderson - non-voting ex officio  
MD19 Vice Council Chairperson Al Hedstrom - non-voting ex officio

Key area of discussion for the Board was clarifying the Foundation's organizational relationship with the Northwest Lions Leadership Institute (NWLLI).

*NWLLI is a project of the Foundation and not an independent entity. NWLLI will submit regular financial reports to the foundation. The Foundation will report to the IRS finances of the NWLLI. NWLLI will submit an annual budget to be approved by the Foundation.*

The Foundation has moved the investment management from *Edward Jones in Wenatchee in LPL Securities to Scott Hurst, CFP, Sumner, Washington, effective July 1, 2019. Signatory for Foundation accounts will Treasurer, Financial Advisor and President.*

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

"It is with great pleasure that I present some news on the growth of SightLife and the Northwest Lions Foundation for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2019.

SightLife continues serving the Pacific Northwest with outstanding service and has reached incredible growth providing tissue with over 3,253 corneal transplants this first quarter of 2019. This is an amazing 45% increase from the same period last year. New recovery contracts have been established from Hawaii to Boston.

The Northwest Lions Foundation Board of Trustees continues to work on expanding our Health Screening Programs. Our mini-screening program has expanded to five units, in addition to our large screening unit. We now have just over 100 Lion members trained to provide screening services. We have lost our driver for the large LHSU. We urge all Lions in MD19 to help in our recruitment of a new driver with a commercial driver's license. This can be a part-time position. We continue to grow our mini-screening units. These units are operated by local Lions Clubs.

We are pleased to announce that we are now using new state of the art digital aids in the Foundation's hearing program for low-income people.

Please continue to help us celebrate the Northwest Lions Foundation's

***50<sup>th</sup> Birthday!!***

**Restoring Sight, Hope and Hearing**

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."

**MOTION:** A motion was made by PDG Crystal Walk, 19-F and seconded by District Governor Mark Mansell, 19-G to accept the Consent Agenda reports. Motion passed.

**REPORTS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA TO BE GIVEN ORALLY**

**CARE REPORT** by PDG Erma Kemp, Chairperson:

“A big ‘THANK YOU’—all, Lions. We are very close to our goal for CARE. We are a few weeks away from the end of the Lions year, hopefully we’ll come thru.

Remember, this is a two-year project. We all need to buy into our MD project: raising gardens for better nutrition for these children in rural southern Honduras.

Incoming governors, please speak about this project during your club visits. This our MD project and is up to you to sell it. Recognize a Lion with a Gordon F. Smith Fellowship (\$500). I know there are clubs who budget over that per year. So I encourage you to honor a club member.

Congratulation to the Districts who have gone over their goal. Keep up the good work—we all can because ‘We CARE!’”

**The Vote for the 2019-2020 CARE Project will be done by the members of the 2019-2020 Council at a later time in this meeting.**

**ENVIRONMENT REPORT** by Nancy Messmer, PCC Enoch Rowland, PDG Kim DiRienz, PZC Lynda Davidson, Co-Chairpersons:



Lions across the Multiple District conduct service projects throughout the year that protect our environment. As the Environment Chairpersons for Multiple District 19, we 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 work with the District and Zone Environment Chairpersons and are building ourselves into an active support team for Lions.

At the International level of Lions, as in the world in general, there is increased awareness and activity towards environmental activism. An important theme is Lions working in partnership with others, using persistence and ongoing commitment to accomplish big goals. Read about Lions in LCI publications, local press and our own publications in MD19. DG Wayne Atkinson’s District D newsletter features a whole page on the Peachland Lions partnering to build a fully-handicap accessible pier on Lake Okanagan so all can enjoy the natural world.



April 2018 Water (Pollution-Scarcity)



March 2019 Lions Plant Trees



June 2019 Lion Magazine-Partnerships



DG Wayne's Newsletter

As the Environment Chairpersons circulate through our districts, speaking to Lions and scanning Facebook pages and websites, these are some of the projects we see:

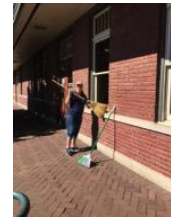




Moscow Lions Clean Lions Park



District C Earth Day Clean-up



Longview Kelso Earlybird Lions Clean Train Station



Camas Lions Clean Park



Lacey Mid-day Eco Branch Lions Re-distribute food



Walnut Grove Leos Clean Swallow Boxes

**'Headlines' across the Multiple District:**

District I Lions clean Camp Shawnigan

Yakima Lions rebuild playground at Lions Park and rebuild six picnic tables.

Port Angeles Lions spruce up Lions Park. They promote RE-USE with huge annual rummage sale.

Post Falls Lions partner for Annual Tree Give-Away

Over 30 Leos convene at Bray Island in Fort Langley to plant trees and plants, called Restorative Planting.

Kalama, and Longview-Kelso Lions recycle paper on large scale.

Silverdale Dandy Lions do Highway Clean up.

.....(insert your Club Name here).....

Spokane Central's Centennial Project. Commemorate the Silver Linden Tree planted by Helen Keller in 1925. Manito Park.



*Contact Us. We will assist with project planning, displays, workshops, connections, newsletter articles, Facebook entries, ideas, and links.*

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*Special challenge. Because we wonder how many Lions read the Digital editions of Lions Magazine, Roy & Nancy offer a free Bed & Breakfast plus Salmon Charter Trip on the Olympic Peninsula to anyone who reads the article on pages 8-13 of June Lion and answers a question I pose at the Council meeting."*

**2019 ANNUAL CONVENTION REPORT** by Executive Director Peter Anderson for PDG Patti Sparks,  
Chairperson:

**"MD19 Annual Convention, October 16-20, 2019**

The 2019 MD19 Lions annual convention will be held in beautiful Wenatchee Washington. Wenatchee is geographically located to simplify travel from all corners of our great multiple district.

**Wenatchee Central Lions Club** is the host Club with 15 enthusiastic members serving on the convention committee. Four additional Lions Clubs will be taking on various roles throughout the events.

**'Simply the Best' is the convention theme** and we know you will agree with us after you experience Wenatchee's hospitality and efficiency. **Friday Fun Night** is going to be funky and fun with a few games, followed by music with our super D.J. When we say **'Hattitude, Bring it On!'** we really mean it! Wear your favorite hat Friday night that represents the **'real you'** and plan to have more fun than you deserve!

For the **service project** attached to the convention, we are asking every attendee to donate at least one pair of used eyeglasses when they pick up their registration form. They will then receive a special "eyeglass" sticker for their name badge and the **Northwest Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center** will be the grateful recipient of all those used eyeglasses.

Many of you have already heard that our **Saturday Banquet** will be DRESSY with a twist. The attire will be 'Dressy / Business Attire / Club Uniform'. **NO WHITE COATS!** And the sparkling twist is this: **wear GLITTER SHOES to the banquet!** Bling up those shoes and you could win a fabulous prize for best GLITTER SHOES!

So mark your calendars for the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in October for the MD19 Annual Fall Convention in Wenatchee. We promise you will have **'Simply the Best' time ever!'"**

**2019 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION REPORT** by PZC George Sim, Chairperson: (Oral Report)

As of the first of June, there are 39 registered along with the District Governor Elect group of 15 – 54 people. Some are staying in the Sheraton, which is our Multiple District hotel, with others elsewhere. We are a little bit scattered about but there are busses from all the LCI hotels going to and from the Convention Center. If you are not staying in an LCI hotel, let me know and I will find out where the closet busses are for you. Those who are coming into Malpensa airport, there is no official LCI transportation to downtown but there is a shuttle every thirty minutes, which is eight euros. A much better deal than if you were to take a cab, which is reported to be about \$100. I believe there is also a train but the shuttle would be the best form of transportation.

We are going to set up a group on *What's App*. This app is very easy to download onto your phone. If you do that, we can synch everyone together and that may be the easiest way for all of us to communicate. Using this app we can let you know the days and time for the Hospitality Suite and for any other activities.

Some of you have been receiving emails from a man named John White. He is, I believe in a Lions Club back in Ontario. He got a list of all the Canadians attending the convention. The information that he is sending out is related to the PID Patti Hill campaign so many might be confused. If that is the case send me an email and we'll make sure there is no confusion.

The parade uniform is the raspberry shirt and khaki pants. We suggest that you also wear a hat as the temperature is currently 90 degrees Fahrenheit, 38 Celsius and in the week we are there it will be very sunny and warm. Fortunately we are in the first third this year for the parade so there will not be a lot of standing around, however you will still want to be wearing a hat.

The large yellow banner in the back is what you need to look for when attending the Plenary Sessions. Peter and I will get there early each morning and be holding up the banner for you to see and that is where our group will be sitting.

The new MD19 parade banner was also displayed at this time.

**USA / CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM REPORT** by PDG Laura Wintersteen-Arleth, Host Chairperson:  
 "CREATING BETTER LEADERS

How Can I Help?

1. Register for the Forum: on-Line at [www.lionsforum.org](http://www.lionsforum.org) Fill out a registration form and mail in.
2. Volunteer to help before and during the Forum. Contact PDG Brian Ross (Volunteer Chairperson) at [bandross@centurylink.net](mailto:bandross@centurylink.net) or by phone at 1-509-936-0752.
3. Donate toiletries and feminine hygiene products. Contact Lioness Bretta Schmidt at [mountainwoman500@yahoo.com](mailto:mountainwoman500@yahoo.com).
4. Donate items for gift bags for dignitaries. We would like small items that are representative of your area. We will be making up about 60 bags. You do not have to send us 60 items, but would appreciate anything you could donate. We want to share how special MD19 is. Lion Sandy Erberle: [seberle44@msn.com](mailto:seberle44@msn.com) or phone 1-509-270-2281. Lion Sandy Flood: [sandy6flood@yahoo.com](mailto:sandy6flood@yahoo.com) or phone 1-509-990-3555.
5. In district and zone newsletters, please promote the Forum every month. We need to get as many Lions, Lioness and Leos at the Forum as possible. Feel free to post this information sheet.
6. Encourage your Leos to attend. On Saturday it is a special Leos Day with a \$25 registration see. Have your Lions Club sponsor the Leos to attend. Leo Chairperson PZC Barry Shiles, [barryshiles@dccnet.com](mailto:barryshiles@dccnet.com)
7. Order a shirt to wear. DGE Pat Burch: [patandsherri77@yahoo.com](mailto:patandsherri77@yahoo.com) or phone 1-360-471-1572
8. **Any ideas, questions or comments contact Host Chairperson PDG Laura Wintersteen-Arleth: [lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com](mailto:lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com) or call at 1-509-999-6282."**

USA/Canada Forum, Spokane, WA 9/19-21/2019						
Volunteer Sign-up (email to: <a href="mailto:bandross@centurylink.net">bandross@centurylink.net</a> or mail to PDG Brian Ross, 2283 Cozy Nook Rd., Chewelah, WA 99109)						
Name	Cell#		Email			
Club	District		Registered Hotel			
Jobs Available	Specify Day		Times Vary			
<i>Check all boxes and circle dates and times</i>	<b>9/18</b>	<b>9/19</b>	<b>9/20</b>	<b>9/21</b>		
Please indicate if you have a preference	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.		
RV Park Volunteer						
Set up and tear down before and after Forum						
Lions Store	Wed.				Set up 10am	
	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	7:45am thru 5:00 pm (times vary)		
	Sat. Cleanup			3:20 – 5:00 pm		
Meal Volunteers 4 different times	Thur.	Fri.	Sat. Lunch	Sat. Evening	Directing to color zones and door hosts	
Pre and Post Meal set-up / clear toppers	Thur.	Fri.	Sat. Lunch	Sat. Evening	Before and after meals	
Stage help and flags						
Door and Line Directors	Thur.	Fri.	Sat. Lunch	Sat. Evening	At meal times	
<b>Hotel Registration 4 different hotels</b>	<b>Please Circle</b>			<b>Please Circle</b>		
Davenport Grand	Wed.	Thur.	7am-10am 10am-1pm 1pm-4pm 4pm-7pm			
Double Tree	Wed.	Thur.	7am-10am 10am-1pm 1pm-4pm			
Best Western	Wed.	Thur.	7am-10am 10am-1pm 1pm-4pm			
Centennial	Wed.	Thur.	7am-10am 10am-1pm 1pm-4pm			
Convention Center	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	8am-11am 11am-2pm 2pm-5pm		
Drivers for Transportation	TBD					
Airport Greeters	TBD					
Convention Hall Greeters	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Available time am or pm		
Security for Lions Store during meals	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	During meal times		

Strides Walk helpers	Thur.	TBD	Before, during and after event
Special Project activities	Thur.	TBD	
Bag stuffers	Tues.	TBD	
Stage Helpers	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
			Before, during and after programs"

**MD19 BUILDING REPORT** by Executive Director Peter Anderson for Dan Cantrell, Chairperson:

- “Roof needs more venting, this involves cutting into the soffit and adding screen vent. Total bid estimates are exceeding the \$2,500 thresh-hold that the Executive Director and the Building Committee can authorize (policy manual III.C) Replacement material and labor and painting are expected to be less than \$4,200.
- Challenge is evidence of positive reaction to lead paint. Contractor will need to mitigate exposure during repair.
- Bellingham Central Warehouse Expansion is under construction with a \$57,000 matching grant from LCIF. As part of the expansion, they are hoping to improve the parking lot. They propose, as part of the improvement, adding an 8'x64' prepared memorial garden raised bed and relocating the propane tank behind the existing building.
- Over the years some maintenance has been deferred, I would strongly encourage the approach of low cost maintenance now is better than high cost repair later.

Note: PDG Ed Brunz, Memorial Garden Chairperson is in favor of this proposed parking lot renovation.

**Additional information provided by the Bellingham Central Lions Club**

The following changes are requested to accommodate the new construction on the Lions Community Service Building located on the MD19 site.

1. To allow for the parking area in front of the building with adequate maneuvering space it is necessary to intrude into the lawn space area that is 64 feet long, six (6) feet wide at one end and tapering to three (3) at the other.
2. To create an additional gravel parking area to accommodate parking for the several projects that will be in the building and for any meetings going on in the MD19 Office of Lions Community Service Building. The current Wheelchair Warehouse Project will often fill the existing parking area with worker and customer vehicles (mostly on Monday's and Thursday's).
3. As part of this project an area of eight (8) feet width will be added as a planting ground for the Memorial Garden. The propane tank will be moved to enhance the aesthetic of the gardens and allow better access from the parking area.”

**MOTION:** A motion was made by District Governor Gord Graves, 19-H and seconded by District Governor Lyndon Harriman, 19-E for the amount required for extra repair work on the MD19 Office building roof soffits and the expansion of the parking lot and raised planting bed not to exceed \$5000.00. Motion passed.

*District Governors Wayne Atkinson, 19-D, Gord Graves, 19-H and Lyndon Harriman, 19-E shared a special and fun event that happened in their districts.*

**ELECTION REPORT** by Executive Director Peter Anderson for PDG Steve Noble, Chairperson:

“Elections for MD19 Council Chairperson and Vice Council Chairperson 2019-2020 were held at each of the nine spring conferences in MD19. Each ballot was placed in a locked box by the Lion voting. The locked boxes were collected by the MD19 Executive Director and kept at the MD office until the last spring conference.

The last spring conference was district G in Kelso, WA. The ballot boxes were unlocked and the ballots were counted the conclusion of the conference May 19, 2019, 9:00 AM.

Present at the unlocking and counting of the ballots were ED Peter Anderson, Elections Chairperson PDG Steve Noble, CC John Kirry, PID Don Shove, PZC George Sim, PDG Tom Smarsh and PID Roger Richert. Scrutinizer for Al Hedstrom was Terry Sutfin. Scrutinizer for John Moralek was Frankie Moralek. Scrutinizer

for JD Nellor was Susan Nellor.

The majority of votes for Vice Council Chairperson were cast for Al Hedstrom. All present were in agreement. The scrutinizer was satisfied. Al Hedstrom is elected as MD19 Vice Council Chairperson, 2019-2020.

The majority votes cast for JD Nellor were 'yes'. All present were in agreement. The scrutinizer was satisfied. JD Nellor is elected as MD19 Council Chairperson 2019-2020.

Only ballots with a check were counted. Ballots with an 'x' or other mark were not counted, as per international rules. Both candidates agreed to this procedure before counting had begun.

**Recommendations...**

I recommend that the policy manual be updated to allow ballots to be accepted with any mark that is legible and clear. Ballots should be counted based on the intent of the voter. The international rule of disqualifying 'X' is based on some cultures using an 'X' to mean no. That does not apply in USA and Canada."

**MD19 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT** by PDG Brien Patton, Chairperson:

"The Budget that we are proposing for the 2019-2020 Lions year has an \$8,397 deficit.

The budget is based on the current dues rate. If the dues increase happens then we will present a new second half budget after the first of the year with the dues increase if not we will adjust accordingly. Most of the budget is the same or close to what last years was.

There is a proposed 2% cost of living raise included for the Executive Director and administrative assistant. We did not budget anything in the MD19 Reserve or building fund. We really do need the dues increase to pass in October. We can't get to a balanced budget without it. The budget worksheet is attached for your review and we will answer your question at the council meeting.

2019-2020 Budget with April 30, 2019 Membership									
Income					6% (year)	6% (10 months)			
MD19 dues, \$18.60	1/31/2019	4/30/2019	4/30/19	4/30/2019	2018-2019	Actual	Variance	2019-2020	
MD19 Dues 1/31/2019	Members	Members	less 2%	% Dues Pd	Budget	5/17/2019		Budget	
District A	1135	1176	1152	84%	\$1224	\$1790	\$567	\$1286	
District B	806	761	746	94%	\$868	\$799	\$(69)	\$832	
District C	1475	1434	1405	89%	\$1573	\$1680	\$107	\$1568	
District D	1246	1176	1152	91%	\$1432	\$1606	\$174	\$1286	
District E	1327	1325	1299	94%	\$1580	\$1743	\$163	\$1449	
District F	1296	1296	1270	91%	\$1445	\$1478	\$33	\$1417	
District G	1273	1324	1298	90%	\$1410	\$1411	\$1	\$1448	
District H	1570	1550	1519	94%	\$1800	\$1984	\$184	\$1695	
District I	1227	1237	1212	96%	\$1331	\$1430	\$99	\$1353	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>11,355</b>	<b>11,279</b>	<b>11,053</b>	<b>91.44%</b>					
MD19 Operations Account – 89%					\$187,829	\$203,741	\$15,912	\$182,978	
MD19 Convention Reserve-3%					\$6331	\$6862	\$531	\$6168	
MD19 Reserve Account – 1%					\$2110	\$2287	\$177	\$2056	
MD19 Building Reserve Account – 1%					\$2110	\$2514	\$403	\$2056	
<b>Total Dues Income (gross)</b>					<b>\$211,044</b>	<b>\$229,325</b>	<b>\$18,281</b>	<b>\$205,594</b>	
					<b>2018-2019</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>2019-2020</b>	
<b>MD19 Other Income</b>					<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/17/2019</b>		<b>Budget</b>	
Annual Convention					\$5000	\$2929	\$(2071)	\$4000	
Grant Executive Secretary Treas. Training (Foundation)					\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
District Budget Support					\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Grant Audio Visual Equipment (Foundation)					\$800	\$ -	\$(800)	\$4000	
Border Crossing Editor Grant (Foundation)					\$1800	\$1800	\$ -	\$2000	
District & Zone Officer School Grant (LCI)					\$1525	\$3300	\$1775	\$1525	
District & Zone Officer School Grant (MD19 Foundation)					\$9125	\$ -	\$(9125)	\$11,000	

		2018-2019	Actual	Variance	2019-2020	
		Budget	5/17/2019		Budget	
Grant Leader Development Programs		\$16,000	\$ -	\$(16,000)	\$16,000	
MD19 District Support Team Grant (Foundation)		\$3860	\$3860	\$ -	\$ -	Grant-Expenses Pd.
Credit Card 3% Fee		\$20	\$19	\$(1)	\$20	
Building & Grounds Improvements		\$ -	\$125	\$125	\$500	
Building-Memorial Garden		\$3000	\$1035	\$(1965)	\$1500	
International Convention		\$ -	\$156	\$156	\$100	
New Club Paraphernalia		\$650	\$498	\$(152)	\$825	
Postage Recovered		\$200	\$102	\$(98)	\$200	
Printing Recovered		\$175	\$229	\$54	\$200	
Sales -Award Banner Patches		\$100	\$303	\$203	\$200	
Sales - Other		\$1000	\$818	\$(182)	\$1000	
Pins - Sales Income		\$500	\$2	\$(498)	\$75	
Uniforms - Sales Income		\$1500	\$1773	\$273	\$1800	
Roster / C&A Sales		\$300	\$124	\$(176)	\$300	
Roster / C&A Advertising		\$1225	\$525	\$(700)	\$800	
Bulletin Subscriptions		\$180	\$131	\$(49)	\$100	
Bulletin / AWeber Advertising		\$250	\$175	\$(75)	\$250	
Lioness - Awards		\$225	\$120	\$(105)	\$225	
Lioness-Roster		\$195	\$153	\$(42)	\$195	
Miscellaneous Income		\$ -	\$1903	\$1903	\$100	UBC Refund Incl'd
Fundraising - MD19 General Fund		\$10	\$232	\$222	\$100	
Exchange Income (Information Only)		\$ -	\$6746	\$ -	\$ -	
Interest Income		\$500	\$38	\$(462)	\$50	
Membership / Rebuilding Clubs		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Total MD19 Other Income</b>		<b>\$48,140</b>	<b>\$27,096</b>	<b>\$(21,044)</b>	<b>\$47,065</b>	
<b>Total MD19 Income</b>		<b>\$259,184</b>	<b>\$256,421</b>	<b>\$(2763)</b>	<b>\$252,659</b>	
<b>EXPENSE</b>		<b>2018-2019</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>2019-2020</b>	
		<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/17/2019</b>		<b>Budget</b>	
<b>District Ops Accounts 1/31/19</b>						
District A	1135	\$1224	\$1790	\$(567)	\$1286	
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District I	1227	\$1331	\$1430	\$(99)	\$1353	
<b>Total District Operations Account</b>		<b>\$12,663</b>	<b>\$13,921</b>	<b>\$(1258)</b>	<b>\$12,336</b>	
		<b>2018-2019</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>2019-2020</b>	
		<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/17/2019</b>		<b>Budget</b>	
<b>International Convention Forum / Director</b>						
Council Chairperson - Las Vegas, NV		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Council Chairperson Elect (Seated VCC) Las Vegas, NV		\$400	\$ -	\$400	\$400	
Convention Chairperson - Las Vegas, NV		\$400	\$400	\$ -	\$400	
Int'l Convention Exp. (Hosp. Rm) Las Vegas, NV		\$500	\$500	\$ -	\$500	
VCC to USA / Canada Forum - Columbus, OH		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
VDG to USA / Canada Forum - Columbus, OH		\$1200	\$1500	\$(300)	\$1800	\$2700 Max
<b>Total Int'l Convention/Forum/Director</b>		<b>\$2500</b>	<b>\$2400</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>\$3100</b>	
		<b>2018-2019</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>2019-2020</b>	
		<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/17/2019</b>		<b>Budget</b>	
<b>Capital Outlay</b>						
Major Capital Expense (i.e. roof replacement)		\$ -	\$18,182	\$(18,182)	\$ -	
Office Equipment		\$200	\$ -	\$200	\$200	
Copier Lease (Konica & Phone System)		\$3000	\$3771	\$(771)	\$4515	
Vehicle Purchase Cont.(\$300 p/m - \$3600)		\$ -	\$1800	\$(1800)	\$3600	
<b>Total Capital Outlay</b>		<b>\$3200</b>	<b>\$23,753</b>	<b>\$(20,553)</b>	<b>\$8315</b>	
		<b>2018-2019</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>2019-2020</b>	
		<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/17/2019</b>		<b>Budget</b>	
<b>MD19 Convention Expenses</b>						
Convention Reserve-MD19 (3%)		\$2500	\$2426	\$74	\$2500	
MD19 Annual Convention		\$4000	\$2982	\$ -	\$4000	
<b>Total MD19 Convention Expenses</b>		<b>\$6500</b>	<b>\$5408</b>	<b>\$1092</b>	<b>\$6500</b>	

			2018-2019	Actual	Variance	2019-2020	
			Budget	5/17/2019		Budget	
<b>MD19 General Operations</b>							
Potential Bad Debt (MD19 Dues)			\$500	\$ -	\$500	\$300	
Credit Card Fees			\$200	\$300	\$(100)	\$300	
Accounting Compilation / Services			\$3389	\$3814	\$(425)	\$4000	
Bank Charges			\$500	\$289	\$211	\$300	
Memorial Garden Expense (Plants, Soil, etc.)			\$1000	\$651	\$349	\$1000	
Building & Grounds (Cleaning & Repairs)			\$1200	\$1213	\$(13)	\$1200	
Business License / Non Profit Corporation			\$10	\$10	\$ -	\$70	June
Maintenance – Auto			\$1400	\$255	\$1145	\$600	
Maintenance – Other Equipment (computer)			\$400	\$ -	\$400	\$400	
New Club Paraphernalia Expense- personalized gong & gavel			\$200	\$822	\$(622)	\$400	
Post Office Box Lease U.S. & Canada			\$80	\$63	\$17	\$80	
Postage			\$5000	\$3361	\$1639	\$4000	
Postage Supplies (Dymo Labels)			\$600	\$459	\$141	\$500	
Office Supplies			\$600	\$569	\$31	\$600	
Printing and Stationary Supplies			\$2700	\$756	\$1944	\$1500	
Printing Outside			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Printing Roster / Contests & Awards Books			\$3800	\$3936	\$(136)	\$4000	
Purchases – Other Sales			\$1000	\$910	\$90	\$1000	
Purchases – Trading Pins			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Expenses</b>							
Purchase Vest Rental Refund			\$100	\$80	\$20	\$ -	
Purchases – Uniforms for Sale			\$2000	\$2491	\$(491)	\$1000	
Computer Programs			\$800	\$782	\$18	\$800	
Exchange Expense			\$10,000	\$11,900	\$(1900)	\$10,000	
Utilities			\$6200	\$4501	\$1699	\$6200	
<b>Total MD19 Operations – General</b>			<b>\$41,679</b>	<b>\$37,162</b>	<b>\$4517</b>	<b>\$38,250</b>	
			2018-2019	Actual	Variance	2019-2020	
			Budget	5/17/2019		Budget	
<b>Insurance – Auto/Building</b>							
Auto Insurance			\$1750	\$677	\$1073	\$1000	
Commercial Pkge Insurance (Bldg., Liability, Crime, Employee Dishonesty)			\$2500	\$2276	\$224	\$2475	
<b>Total Insurance – Auto/Building</b>			<b>\$4250</b>	<b>\$2953</b>	<b>\$1297</b>	<b>\$3475</b>	
			2018-2019	Actual	Variance	2019-2020	
			Budget	5/17/2019		Budget	
<b>Personnel-Calendar Year</b>							
Bulletin Editor			\$1800	\$1629	\$171	\$1800	
Medical Insurance – April 2020			\$13,295	\$11,028	\$2267	\$13,382	
Payroll – Admin Assistant \$14.00			\$26,246	\$25,970	\$276	\$29,817	+2% 14.28
Payroll – Executive Director \$20.00			\$41,760	\$36,800	\$4960	\$42,596	+2% 20.40
Payroll – Receptionist / Bookkeeper \$12.00			\$13,390	\$12,958	\$432	\$17,150	Min wage incr.
SUI (Employ. Security 1.77% x \$44,000 max per employee 1/2017)			\$1468	\$864	\$604	\$1617	
FICA – 1/1/2017 Social Sec. 6.2% gross			\$5143	\$4802	\$341	\$5664	
FUTA – 1/1/2017 Fed. Unemployment 0.006% x \$7k max			\$126	\$152	\$(26)	\$168	
Medicare – 1/1/2017 Medicare 1.45% gross			\$1203	\$1122	\$81	\$1325	
L&I –SDI (Worker's Comp –L&I .1666 x reg hrs)			\$912	\$845	\$67	\$943	
Pension-Exec Sec. 6% or .06 of gross payroll (6/30/2017)			\$675	\$665	\$10	\$2555	
Pension-Admin Asst. 6% or .06 of gross Payroll (6/30/2017)			\$1563	\$1650	\$(87)	\$1789	
<b>Total Personnel</b>			<b>\$107,581</b>	<b>\$98,485</b>	<b>\$9096</b>	<b>\$118,805</b>	
			2018-2019	Actual	Variance	2019-2020	
			Budget	5/17/2019		Budget	
<b>Taxes (non-personnel)</b>							
Personal Property Tax			\$100	\$49	\$51	\$100	
Building Property Tax			\$5000	\$4967	\$33	\$5500	
<b>Total Taxes (non-personnel)</b>			<b>\$5100</b>	<b>\$5016</b>	<b>\$84</b>	<b>\$5600</b>	
			2018-2019	Actual	Variance	2019-2020	
			Budget	5/17/2019		Budget	
<b>Support: Club, Zone and District</b>							
International Director Candidate			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Executive Secretary-Treasurer Training Expenses			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Dist. Governors at District Cabinet Meetings (\$800+\$800)			\$800	\$1393	\$(593)	\$1600	
Awards & Trophies – Plaques, Banner Patches & Embroidery, Certificates			\$1300	\$855	\$445	\$1000	
MD19 Bulletin ( <i>Border Crossing</i> ): Total Expense of printing/AWeber			\$800	\$455	\$345	\$475	

	2018-2019	Actual	Variance	2019-2020	
	Budget	5/17/2019		Budget	
Council Chairperson Expense	\$4000	\$2240	\$1760	\$3500	
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Dist. Governors at MD19 Council Meetings	\$3500	\$3500	\$ -	\$3500	
Council Meeting – Fall, Whistler, B.C. 2018	\$2000	\$2995	\$(995)	\$2200	
Council Meeting – Winter, Tacoma	\$2600	\$3478	\$227	\$3000	
Council Meeting – Spring, Yakima 2019	\$2600	\$ -	\$1229	\$2600	Room Deposit 2018
Dist. & Zone Officer Training-hotel, Yakima, 2019	\$12,500	\$ -	\$12,500	\$12,500	
Dist. & Zone Officer Training-Admin 2019	\$10,000	\$ -	\$10,000	\$10,000	
Executive Director Expense	\$4500	\$5365	\$(865)	\$6000	Inc \$1400 LCIcon air
MD19 District Team Expenses	\$2000	\$ -	\$2000	\$500	
Membership / Rebuilding Programs	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Extension Chairperson – 50%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Total Club, Zone and District Support</b>	<b>\$46,600</b>	<b>\$20,281</b>	<b>\$26,319</b>	<b>\$46,875</b>	
	2018-2019	Actual	Variance	2019-2020	
Telephone	Budget	5/17/2019		Budget	
Telephone (Local, LD, Fax, Cell & Internet)	\$3400	\$2553	\$847	\$2800	
Website	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Total Telephone &amp; Website</b>	<b>\$3400</b>	<b>\$2553</b>	<b>\$847</b>	<b>\$2800</b>	
	2018-2019	Actual	Variance	2019-2020	
Zone Chairperson	Budget	5/17/2019		Budget	
Zone Chairperson – Expenses	\$10,000	\$10,014	\$(14)	\$10,000	
Zone Chairperson – MD19 Annual Convention	\$6200	\$2754	\$3446	\$5000	
<b>Total Zone Chairperson</b>	<b>\$16,200</b>	<b>\$12,768</b>	<b>\$3432</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>	
	2018-2019	Actual	Variance	2019-2020	
Reserve	Budget	5/17/2019		Budget	
Payable to MD 19 Reserve	\$ -	\$2514	\$(2514)	\$ -	
Payable to Building Reserve	\$2300	\$2514	\$(214)	\$ -	
<b>Total Reserve</b>	<b>\$2300</b>	<b>\$5028</b>	<b>\$(2728)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	
<b>Contingency</b>	<b>\$4852</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$4852</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	
<b>Total MD19 Expense</b>	<b>\$256,825</b>	<b>\$229,727</b>	<b>\$27,098</b>	<b>\$261,056</b>	
<b>Total MD19 Expense Budget</b>	<b>\$256,825</b>	<b>\$229,727</b>		<b>\$261,056</b>	
<b>Total MD19 Income Budget</b>	<b>\$259,184</b>	<b>\$256,421</b>		<b>\$252,659</b>	
<b>Net Income/(Loss)</b>	<b>\$2359</b>	<b>\$26,694</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$(8397)</b>	

The approval for the 2019-2020 MD19 Budget will be done later in this meeting under New Business by the 2019-2020 Council of Governors.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by District Governor Sharon Sikes, 19-C and seconded by District Governor Mike Dukes, 19-I to recommend a DO PASS for an MD19 dues increase of \$6.00, with an incremental increase of \$1.00 every two years for three billing cycles to be voted on by the delegates at the Annual Convention, in Wenatchee, WA. Motion carried with one negative vote. (Audio file dated June 13, 2019: 1 hour, 12 minutes, 4 seconds)

**For Clarification:** the first \$3.00 will be implemented in January 2020 for the second half dues of 2019-2020. In July, 2020 the full \$6.00 will be implemented for the 2020-2021 billing cycle (\$3.00 for both first and second half dues). In 2022, 2024 and 2026 the dues will increase by \$1.00.

**POLICY MANUAL REPORT** by PCC Jim Kemp, Chairperson:

No action taken at this time regarding the updating of the Policy Manual in regards to how ballots should look, re: PDG Steve Nobel's report.

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

This report was removed from consideration until the committee repackages it into a different format, with strike-outs, etc. Many thanks is given to the committee for all their hard work!



**CONTESTS AND AWARDS REPORT** by PDG Janet Rinehart, Chairperson:

"Even though many changes/updates have been made in the past couple of years to the rules for the Secretaries Excellence Award, new concerns keep arising. A main focus of the current changes relates to zone and district meetings, resulting in fewer total points required to qualify for the Club Secretary Excellence Award. The majority of the proposed changes pertain to Paragraph 3.

The first issue here though is the Club Activities Summary (Para. 2. B of Club Secretaries Excellence Award Rules). LCI has changed this reporting from the MyLCI site to MyLion beginning July 1. The consequence of this change is that secretaries will no longer report activities through MyLCI and, thus, will have not have access to obtaining a year-end report from MyLCI. Currently the only alternative to the year-end report will be the Metrics report from MyLion. Accordingly, this page would need to be printed and mailed directly to the MD19 Office.

**2. CLUB ACTIVITIES SUMMARY - either A or B**

1. A summary of the year's activities shall be prepared by the secretary and received by the MD19 Office, with a copy to the District Governor, no later than July 25. A sample summary report and format are included in this Contest and Awards Book following the Secretary of the Year Award Winners. (55 points)

**OR**

~~B. The Annual Lions Club Activities Report provided by Lions Club International shall be submitted online by the Club Secretary with a copy saved and forwarded to the MD19 Office and the District Governor no later than July 25<sup>th</sup>. (55 points)~~

Recommended Para. 2.B

**B. The MyLion Metrics report shall be printed and submitted directly to the MD19 Office by the Club Secretary with a copy forwarded to the District Governor no later than July 25. For those secretaries who have capability, it is possible to take a screen shot, paste it to a word document, save it and email it to the MD Office; otherwise the report must be mailed directly to the MD19 Office. (55 points)**

It is important to emphasize this does not affect the current year's secretaries as they will be able to access the 2018-19 year-end report on their club's MyLCI site.

In addition to the above, it has been requested that I present the following for your consideration.

**CLUB SECRETARY EXCELLENCE AWARD RULES**

Questions regarding the decisions made by the Contests and Awards Committee and the MD19 Office with regards to an Award, must be received in writing by the MD19 Office and or the Contest and Awards Chairperson by December 31<sup>st</sup> of the Lions Year following the Year of the Award for any adjustments to be made. For example, if the Award is for the 2012-2013 year (July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013), any questions concerning the decisions made by the Contests and Awards Committee or the MD19 Office must be received in the MD19 Office and or by the Contests and Awards Chairperson by December 31, 2013.

To all Lions Club Secretaries who qualify for this honor, Multiple District 19 presents a Secretary Excellence Award at the MD19 Annual Convention following their term of office. This Award shall be given by the Contests & Awards Committee based on the statistical record of the MD19 Office for the period of July 1 to June 30. A Charter Secretary of a club is eligible to receive this Award if the Club's Charter Night is held prior to October 1, and a **minimum of 267 225 points is earned.**

**TO QUALIFY FOR THIS AWARD, A MINIMUM OF 267 225 POINTS MUST BE EARNED FROM THE FOLLOWING:**

1. The Secretary shall have served faithfully and diligently, for a minimum of six (6) months, during his/her term of office as attested to by the Club President.

2. **CLUB ACTIVITIES SUMMARY** – (See above)

3. **ZONE, DISTRICT AND MULTIPLE DISTRICT MEETINGS**

**185 160**

A. ~~He/she shall attend at least 2 out of 3 Zone/District Governor Advisory Meetings for his/her Zone and be represented by a member of his/her club if absent from the 3rd. 20 points for each Zone~~

~~Meeting (MAX 3) based on the Zone Chairperson's Zone Meeting Report Form supplied by the MD19 Office. (Max. 60 points)~~

Replace with:

- A. The club secretary shall receive (Max) 60**  
**(1) 20 points for each District Governor Advisory Meeting (also known as zone meetings) he or she attends for his or her club's zone, based on the zone chairperson's report to the MD19 Office and/or on the Club Visitation Form submitted by the Club Secretary, to a maximum of 60 points.**

The phrase in italics above was approved at the February 2019 CoG meeting.

**OR**

- (2) 60 points for attending 1 or more District Cabinet Meetings.**
- B. He/she shall attend his/her District Conference during his/her term of office. 50 points for attending based on the District Governor's District Conference Report.
- ~~C. He/she shall attend the MD19 Annual Convention during his/her term of office. 25~~
- C. Attend a Club Secretary online or face-to-face Multiple District 19 (MD19) 50 approved Club Secretary training at the zone or district level after his / her club election and before June 30th of the Lions Year prior to taking office. If training is not provided by June 30th, the Club Secretary may attend a training at the zone or district level by September 30th during the Lions year in which he / she serves as Club Secretary. The District Global Leadership Team Coordinator will report on a form found on the MD19 website the completion of all club officer training to his / her District Governor and MD19 Office by October 25th of the current Lions year.

4. GOOD FINANCIAL STANDING (No change)

5. MULTIPLE DISTRICT 19 ROSTER INFORMATION (No change)

**TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS:**

**307 282**

6. CONGRATULATORY LETTERS TO NEWLY ORGANIZED CLUBS (No change)"

**MOTION:** A motion was made by District Governor Sharon Sikes, 19-C and seconded by PDG Crystal Walk, 19-F to accept the recommended changes to the MD19 Club Secretary Excellence Award Rules. Motion carried.

**Meeting recessed at 10:19 AM**

**Meeting resumed at 10:40 AM**

**EVALUATION COMMITTEE REPORT** by PDG Rosemary Richert, Chairperson:

"As you recall, the MD19 Evaluation Team currently consists of CC John Kirry, two-year member PDG Paul Kauzlarich, and me as one-year member and chairperson. The three-year position has been vacant due to a resignation and challenges caused by previous Policy Manual restrictions. Those challenges were overcome by the Council at the recent Winter Council Meeting. Beyond those challenges, nominees with previous managerial or human relations experience are best suited for positions on the Evaluation Team. Those candidates are, also, somewhat daunting to find. We have, however, had good success with the nomination by IPDG Grace Hwo of PDG Rita Fok. Rita has extensive experience upon which to rely. Therefore, at this time CC John Kirry will make his appointment to fill the open position for the remainder of the Evaluation Team three-year term.

The Team's next responsibility was to secure a nomination to fill the 3-year ET position for the 2019-2020 year. IPDG Bill Karcher has named another well-qualified nominee, in the person of PDG Monte Ward. The MD19 Evaluation Team recommends the Council of Governors' approval of PDG Monte to fill the three-year position on the 2019-2020 Evaluation Team.

The final responsibility of this year's Evaluation Team was oversight of the newest revision of the MD19 Employee Handbook. Terminology was updated to include references to 'Executive Director' [instead of 'Executive Secretary-Treasurer'], and minor changes regarding the Executive Director's annual review,

as well as bringing the handbook's text into agreement with current Washington State employment rules and regulations. The Evaluation Team asks your approval of the June 2019 revision of the MD19 Employee Handbook.

Thank you for the opportunity of serving as MD19 Evaluation Team Chairperson. Your incoming Chairperson will be PDG Paul Kauzlarich. He has previously served in this capacity, and will do an admirable job."

**MOTION:** A motion was made by District Governor Sharon Sikes, 19-C and seconded by PDG Wanda Carisse to appoint PDG Rita Fok, 19-A to finish out the 2018-19 three-year position on the MD19 Evaluation Team. Motion carried.

PDG Rita will then move forward and fill the two-year position for 2019-2020.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by District Governor Mark Mansell, 19-G and seconded by PDG Wanda Carisse, 19-D to appoint PDG Monte Ward, 19-G for the third-year position (2019-2020) on the MD19 Evaluation Team. Motion carried.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by PDG Wanda Carisse, 19-D and seconded by District Governor Mike Dukes, 19-I to accept the MD19 Employee Handbook revision of June 2019. Motion approved.

The Employee Handbook is kept in the MD19 Office.

*District Governors Mark Mansell, 19-G, Sharon Sikes, 19-C and David Health, 19-F shared a special and fun event that happened in their districts.*

The following video presentations were shown: Leadership Institute; Global Action Team and "Lynoon" posing as CC John Kirry.

**INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION REPORT** by PID Don Shove, Chairperson with PDG's John Clinton and Bill Karcher:

"Our committee would like to report:

1. A concern over LCIF's goals. Current program has merit but the concern is what's next? \$300 Million?
2. Ethnic Clubs, etc.
3. 19-B East Indian Club
4. MD19: Korean, RETIREES, Youth Clubs – Leo to Lion, Lioness to Lions.
5. Membership and RETENTION. We are in the top 20 MD's in Area 1-2 with a plus 6"

## **GLOBAL ACTION TEAM REPORTS**

**LEADERSHIP REPORT** by PDG Wanda Carisse: Oral Report

There are a couple of exciting days ahead. We have this afternoon and tonight the Town Hall Meeting and I'm sure that the GAT will be receiving more direction at that meeting. We are also training all of our District and Zone Officers for 2019-2020.

I also want to tell you about the Northwest Lions Leadership Institute. You've just seen the video about the institute and we really want to promote leadership – to unleash your inner beast. How incredible is that – unleash your inner beast? Yes, the Sasquatch is great, but we all have leadership abilities within us. Some people may be more natural at it-but we all have the ability to be leaders and the NWLLI, for those who have taken it, is a pretty amazing course. I can't believe the change that happens to attendees, from when they walk into the room timid, they don't talk, they're unsure of themselves and then later, after the course is finished they are brand new people, full of confidence and new found abilities.

District Governors you have been given a placard about the Institute and I would like you to go back to your clubs and look and see if there is someone who would like to move forward in leadership. Let us help unleash that inner beast.

**TRAINING REPORT** by PCC Al Beddows: Oral Report

Tomorrow we are going to 'tune up' our incoming District Governors, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governors and the Zone Chairperson and get them ready for their year of service. The team that will be doing that is as follows (and no titles will be used during this time): John Kirry; Mark Mansell; Wanda Carisse; Steve Somerset; Sharon Sikes and myself.

**GLOBAL SERVICE REPORT** by PDG Crystal Walk, Chairperson: Oral Report

I wanted to let you know that the transition to the MyLion Service reporting is almost over. Starting July 1<sup>st</sup> we will be doing all of our service reporting on the MyLion. You will not be able to report service activities on MyLCI after July 1. So if you do not have an account and you can't get into the system to report your activities, come see me and we'll get you through the steps and on your way. I know that most of you have lived very easy lives and nothing has ever been difficult for you and you never had to learn anything new, right? Well, this will be a little different for you. I like what Erma Kemp said a while ago: You don't stop doing things because you get old; you get old because you stop doing things. So this is your opportunity to learn some new technology.

It's been a great year. We've had 442,042 hours of service reported in our Multiple District so far and you know that leaves a great deal of hours that were not reported. We have 362 clubs that have reported at least one service activity this year and only 48 clubs have failed to report any service. We know that most of them have done something but they haven't figured out how to report it year.

Many new Service Chairpersons at the club level have been elected and installed. If your club doesn't have a service chairperson, please encourage your club to get one. This will take a lot of the burden off the secretary. As we know the work that the secretary does is quite a bit. Adding the reporting of service activities on a different platform is going to make it more difficult for the secretary to complete all their tasks. Having the service chairperson do the service reporting will remove from the secretary that extra workload.

*District Governors Mike Dukes, 19-I, Kenneth Liu, 19-A and Donna Oiland, 19-B shared a special and fun event that happened in their districts.*

The "Changing of the Guard" took place at this time with the District Governors Elect (2019-2020) taking the place of the 2018-2019 Past District Governors on the Council. At this time CCE J.D. Nellor read the Council Chairperson Oath of Office and was presented with a 'top secret' briefcase which included handcuffs, a big eraser and a Council Chairperson for dummies notebook.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**The following motions were voted on by the 2019-2020 Council of Governors: (Their titles will reflect their 2019-2020 titles)**

**2019-2020 MD19 BUDGET**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by PDG Lyndon Harriman, 19-E and seconded by District Governor Bob Nordlund, 19-A to accept the proposed 2019-2020 MD19 Budget. Motion carried.

**CARE Project for 2019-20**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by District Governor Cec Specht, 19-I and seconded by District Governor Debbie Bostock, 19-D to continue with the Honduras, School Gardens for Healthy Nutrition Project as the 2019-2020 MD19 CARE Project. Motion passed.

**2019-2020 MD19 Committee Chairpersons**

The following 2019-20 MD19 Committee Chairpersons and Other Appointees were brought before the Council for approval:

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

**Border Crossing Editor:** Rebecca Anderson, (19-H)

**Building:** Dan Cantrell, (19-H)

**CARE:** PDG Erma Kemp, (19-F), Patti Easterling, 19-H, Co-Chairpersons

**Constitution & By-Laws / Policy Manual:** PCC John Kirry, (19-C); Leif Bengston, (19-D); PDG Paul Kauzlarich, (19-F); PZC Ryan Morrison, (19-G); PDG John Moralek, (19-H); PCC Larrie Taylor, (19-I); PCC Jim Kemp, (19-F) - Working as a Merger Committee. **See Footnote 1\***

**Contests & Awards:** All Positions Vacant

**Conventions:**

**2019 Annual Convention:** PDG Patti Sparks, (19-D)

**2020 International Convention:**

**USA / Canada Forum:** PID Anne Smarsh, (19-B)

**Diabetes Awareness:** PDG Tom Smarsh, (19-B)

**Environment:** PCC Enoch Rowland, (19-B); PZC Lynda Davidson, (19-H); PDG Kim DiRienz, (19-E); Nancy Messmer, (19-I)

**Evaluation Committee:** PDG Paul Kauzlarich, (D, E, F), Chairperson; PDG Rita Fok, (A, H, I), 2<sup>nd</sup> year and Monte Ward, (B, C, G), 3<sup>rd</sup> year

**Election Certification:** PDG Steve Noble, (19-F)

**Information & Technology:** VCC Al Hedstrom, (19-C)

**Webmaster:** CC J.D. Nellor, (19-G)

**International Relations / Participation:** PID Don Shove, Chairperson; PDG John Clinton, (19-B); PDG Bill Karcher, (19-G), committee members

**LCIF – B.C.:** PDG Brian Phillips (19-I)

**LCIF – US:** PDG Bob Yeoman – East, (19-E); PDG Mark Mansell – West, (19-G)

**Leader Dogs:** East – PDG Carol Whitman, (19-F); West – ZC Debbie Mansell, (19-G)

**LEO Clubs:** PZC Barry Shiles, (19-H)

**Lioness:** PZC Linda Shaffrick, (19-D)

**Lions Quest – BC:** PDG Norma Bent, (19-D)

**Memorial Garden:**

**Parliamentarian:** PDG Chuck Waid, (19-C)

**Strategic Planning:** PDG Shelley Costello, (D, E, F); PDG Janet Rinehart, (B, C, G); PCC Gary Reidel (A, H, I) (all one year appointments)

**District Support Team:** VCC Al Hedstrom, Facilitator

**Extension:**

**Leadership (18-21):** PDG Wanda Carisse, (19-D)

**Facilitator Development Chair (18-21):** PDG Hal Palmer, (19-G)

**Leader Development (17-20):** PDG Brian Phillips, (19-I)

**Training Chairperson (16-19):**

**Service (17-20):** PDG Crystal Walk, (19-F)

**Membership/Retention (17-20):** PDG David Walk, (19-F)

**Public Relations (18-21):**

**Canadian LERC:** PZC Barry Shiles, (19-H)

**Youth Exchange:** Tammy Allen, (19-F)

**Footnote 1\***

The C&BL Committee and the Policy Committee are in progress to be merged into one "Governance" Committee. The members of both committees will meet, go through both documents, and eliminate overlap and redundancy in both documents. Then, when final revisions have been made and approved (Policy Manual vote by COG; C&BL to be voted on by Delegates at next MD Annual Convention). When both documents are finalized, the committee will merge into one administrative committee made up of PDG's from each of the nine districts.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by District Governor Pat Burch, 19-C and seconded by PDG Mark Mansell, 19-G to accept the 2019-2020 MD19 Committee appointments. Motion carried.

Discussion held on evaluating the purpose and strength of the Winter Council Meetings and the possibility of holding them for the next three years in Bellingham, WA where the MD19 District Office is located. Will ask the Strategic Planning Committee to look into other options.

**Meeting Adjourned at Noon**