

# MINUTES OF THE MD19 SPRING COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS' MEETING

June 27, 2020

Zoom Meeting

The Council Meeting was called to order by Council Chairperson JD 'John' Nellor at 10:00 am. Invocation was given by District Governor Patty Allen-White, 19-H. Introductions of the Council and Vice District Governors were made at this time.

The following Lions, Lioness, and Guests attended the Zoom Meeting.

## I. Council of Governors

J.D. Nellor, Council Chairperson  
Al Hedstrom, Vice Council Chairperson  
John Kirry, Past Council Chairperson  
Peter Anderson, Executive Director  
Allan Hunt, International Director  
Kenneth Liu, District Governor 19-A  
Michael Lally, District Governor 19-B  
Pat Burch, District Governor 19-C  
Debbie Bostock, District Governor 19-D  
Frank Bega, District Governor 19-E  
Ken Allan, District Governor 19-F  
Stephen Staudinger, District Governor 19-G  
Patty Allen-White, District Governor 19-H  
Cec Specht, District Governor 19-I  
Donna Oiland, PDG 19-B  
Sharon Sikes, PDG 19-C  
Wayne Atkinson, PDG 19-D  
Lyndon Harriman, PDG 19-E  
David Heath, PDG 19-F  
Mark Mansell, PDG 19-G  
Gord Graves, PDG 19-H  
Mike Dukes, PDG 19-I

## II. MD19 Committee Chairperson's & Appointees

PDG Brien Patton, Budget & Finance  
Patti Easterling, CARE  
PDG Wanda Carisse, Leadership  
PCC Hal Palmer, Facilitator Training Chair.  
PDG David Walk, Membership  
PDG Crystal Walk, Service  
PDG Tom Smarsh, Diabetes  
Lion Nancy Messmer, Environment  
PID Don Shove, International Relations  
VCCE John Moralek, LCIF BC  
PDG Mark Mansell, LCIF West  
PDG Carol Whitman, Leader Dogs East  
ZC Debbie Mansell, Leader Dogs West  
PZC Barry Shiles, LEO  
PDG Chuck Waid, Parliamentarian  
CC J.D. Nellor, Webmaster  
ZCE Tammy Allen, Youth Exchange  
PID Anne Smarsh – USA / Canada Forum

## III. Foundations & Societies

PZC Barry Shiles, CLERC  
PCC Surinder Gahir, B.C. Hearing Conservation  
Bill Lundin, Trustee Chair. NWLF

## IV. Lions, Lioness, Leos and Guests

**MOTION:** A motion was made by PDG Mark Mansell, 19-G and seconded by PDG Sharon Sikes, 19-C to accept as posted the Minutes of the MD19 Winter Council of Governors' Meeting, held in Bellingham, WA. February 8, 2020. Motion passed.

## CONSENT AGENDA REPORTS

### **BUILDING REPORT** by Dan Cantrell, Chairperson:

The following items have been identified as most critical in the needs of maintaining the MD19 building.

a/ painting soffits, window frames & trim (repairs of rotted window sills not included in estimate)	\$2,200.00
b/ repairs to rot damaged sills	\$1,200.00
c/ repairs to window wells that have failed	\$1,800.00
d/ tuck pointing brick mortar on chimney & under Michele's window	\$2,000.00



### **ENVIRONMENT REPORT** by Nancy Messmer, Co-Chairperson:

April 22 was the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Earth Day. All around the world Lions, and many groups, planned to conduct huge coordinated projects to benefit the Earth. Instead we were linked by a global pandemic. Clubs have been busy doing what they can online and from home, making a positive difference in our communities. As we work through this process, Lions are planning Environmental Service Projects for the future. It is inspiring to see Lions sharing images and details of past projects in newsletters and social media.



“Sustainably protect and restore our environment to improve the well-being of all communities.” (LCI)  
 The Lions Clubs International (LCI) website provides a strategic objective for Lions regarding environment and is building a collection of Service Stories and Planning Guides. Read and share the stories and plans.  
<https://www.lionsclubs.org/>



**MD 19 Lions Environment Projects. Plan some:** plant gardens, distribute food, clean highways and roadways; conduct civic cleanups, build/maintain community gardens, clean waterways and beaches, recycle paper and more. Run rummage sales/thrift stores, restore buildings and civic monuments, maintain trails, host camps, create/maintain parks, install rain gardens, recycle glasses and hearing aids. Plant trees, restore streams/watersheds, recycle durable medical equipment, adopt a beach, adopt a stream, promote reuse/recycle. Plant sensory gardens, host 'First Walks' New Years.

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**MD19 ELECTIONS REPORT** by PDG Steve Noble, Chairperson:

“The election was held a “little differently” this year with eight of the nine Districts having cancelled their convention. 19-H held the election in the traditional manner, all others were held by mail in ballot. The Canadian Ballots were sent out and returned to a Canadian address to expedite the process. Many of the letters mailed to our office around that same time had been opened and inspected by the border patrol. The US clubs all mailed back to the MD19 office in Bellingham. Of the ballots cast, the majority were in favor of the election of Council Chairperson Al Hedstrom and Vice Council Chairperson John Moralek.

Overall, approximately 19% of the MD19 Clubs responded by mail. It is unknown what percentage vote in the traditional convention. Thank you to the election committee! (Steve Noble, Wendy Canessa, Lynda Davidson, Michele Barrie & Peter Anderson).”

**MD19 EVALUATION REPORT** by PDG Paul Kauzlarich, Chairperson:

“The Evaluation Committee has completed its evaluation of the Executive Director and the MD19 Office for 2019-2020. The results of the evaluation were presented to and approved by the Council of Governors in February. The Evaluation Committee also made a recommendation to the council at that time to change the qualifications for serving on the Evaluation Committee. The recommendation was referred to the MD19 Policy Manual Committee for changes.

The Evaluation Committee members for the past year were PDG Paul Kauzlarich, chairperson: PDG Rita Fok, second year member and PDG Monte Ward, first year member. The committee proposed the

appointment of PDG Brain Ross to replace PDG Paul Kauzlarich on the committee to serve a three-year commitment. The Council of Governors approved the appointment of PDG Brain Ross.

I would like to thank all of those involved in the evaluation process. I appreciate all the travel, time, work, effort and support that you have provided over the past year. This is what makes the evaluation process work. Thank you!"

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

**"Leader Dog 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Donation Totals for MD19**

District	Donations	District	Donations	District	Donations
A	\$ 0.00	D	\$ 1,700.00	G	\$ 3,595.88
B	\$ 4,044.80	E	\$ 5,684.02	H	\$ 3,000.00
C	\$ 2,875.00	F	\$ 3,098.73	I	\$ 56.05

2019-2020 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr. Total \$24,053.86.

2018-2019 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr. Total \$36,497.16

The 4<sup>th</sup> quarter MD19 donations to Leader Dog will be updated at the end of June. Current donations are \$12,443.30 less than last year. Council of Governors, please encourage the clubs in your district to make their budgeted donations to Leader Dog. The Leader Dog Campus has been impacted by Covid-19, delays in training of dogs and issues to clients. See comments below from Kathleen Breen, Leader Dog Lion Liaison.

Leader Dog was ready to welcome a guide dog class when the governor of Michigan enacted a 'Stay Home-Stay Safe' order; the March, April and May classes were cancelled. With the extension through May 15th, it hasn't been determined when the next on campus training class will take place. Leader Dog will continue to monitor the situation and speak with our clients who are due in for training. The staff is working hard to create a safe environment and also to create opportunities that will be sensitive to the interests and comfort level of our clients.

Life on Leader Dog's campus right now is very different. Dozens of the dogs that were in training, have been 'rehomed' to volunteers and team members until the larger team can return to campus. It is VERY QUIET at Leader Dog these days!

Leader Dog staff has been working to improve our virtual presentations. We are trying to learn as much as we can about different virtual meeting platforms and their accessibility. Staff have attended virtual meetings and done presentations for clubs, zones, conventions and more. We are happy to help with any presentations. Please refer to the Leader Dog website to see what programs can be presented virtually."

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

"This is my last MD19 Leo report. I leave this position of 'Service' with great reluctance and reservations. I leave under the realization that you cannot and should not be 'Chair for Life' and sometimes your health dictates what you can do. And still, there is so much more to accomplish in regards to our Leos. We need Leo and Leo Advisor training; and we need Leo Club growth. Ideally there would be a Leo club sponsored by every Lions club in MD19. Even better would be a Leo club and a Leo/Lion Club sponsored or started by each Lions Club to keep our Leos in the Lions family.

While it seems that MD19 has many Leo clubs we, in fact, have less than 1% of the Leo Clubs worldwide. Reservations? Yup! As who can do a better job and have the knowledge that I have? WELL that statement is just not true! We now have new eyes, a new approach, and especially, new energy by our new MD19 Leo Chairperson, PDG Lyndon Harriman who will serve our Leos well. I wish him all success and offer my assistance and knowledge freely.

I am not leaving Leos, just stepping back a little; still a Leo Advisor for Earl Marriott SS and will be the District-H Leo Chairperson for 2020-2021.

THINGS TO DO: Leo Chairpersons and Leo Advisors, we have one last thing to finish off for the school year. Although the school year was shortened by the pandemic we have a lot of outstanding Leo Clubs

out there that need to be recognized. THE LEO CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CLUBS: Google LCI or Leo Club Excellence Award Form, for the form. Advisors you have till August to submit the nomination form. I am sure there are Leo Clubs out there that, in spite of the shortened year still qualify and deserve recognition for their donations and service projects. You know that your group of Leos did an awesome job of community service with service to their schools and the building of leaders through said service and THEY DESERVE RECOGNITION. Please complete and send in the nomination form. Thanks.

PANDEMIC RESPONSE: As the Leo Advisors and Leo Chairpersons anticipate and plan for next year there will be challenges with the Leo Clubs. For instance: will Lions be allowed access into the schools for meetings? Most likely this means we will need to change to virtual meetings. Make a point of contacting your school administration or your teacher sponsor to keep up with what is happening regarding pandemic rules set by school administrations.

ZOOM looks like it will be the method of accomplishing these meetings with your Leo Clubs. A lot of the Lions Clubs have been using ZOOM for their meetings. I recommend all the Leo Chairpersons and Leo Advisors to do your best to learn how to use this communications platform. Most Leo meetings are only a half hour long and you get the first forty minutes on ZOOM free so I suggest you give this a try. Communicate with your Leo Executives and prepare them for this possibility.

LIONS CLUBS THAT HAVE NOT YET SPONSORED A LEO CLUB: All I can say to each and every Lion is, Leos will be the best thing that will ever happen to your Lions Club. Personally speaking, taking on the responsibility of a Leo Club and the building of our youth leadership was the best thing I have ever done in my 44 years as a Lion. I was reinvigorated and inspired by the great kids/youth I met, trained and worked with. Exposing our Leos to what Lions are all about was revealed to me in a Podcast my Leos sent me. Sometimes you wonder if you are getting through to them then out of the blue they send you something unsolicited that knocks your socks off. They did hear, they did understand they were affected by what they were exposed to about Lions International and what Lions do all over the world!

ONCE YOU HAVE ESTABLISHED A LEO CLUB: LCI has a transition formula for us on how we retain our Leos and transition them to a Leo/Lions Club or into your club. The Leos might even bring along their parents to join Lions. Think about it! Instead of dad sponsoring their kids, the kids will sponsor dad. This scenario will have a very dramatic effect on your Lions Club and your community. One of the things that is happening to our clubs is as we age we lose contact with our community members. Bringing Leos into your Lions Club will re-establish those connections. This will result in your Club being healthier with younger members in your club or a club branch and will ensure the future growth of our Lions Association.

This past year we welcomed two new Leo Clubs to our total and I want to thank the sponsoring Lions for their hard work and faith in establishing these two clubs.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve these last few years and to help in building our Leo Clubs. I sincerely hope I have left the MD19 Leo Program in greater shape that can be built upon and continue to grow. 'Leos are the Future of Lions'."

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

"There are now 12 Lioness clubs in MD19 with 150+ members (some clubs have not sent in reports).

For the most part this report is for January and February, as we all know things came to a sudden halt in March and clubs have not been holding regular meetings.

A brief overview of the some of the activities for this report: baby, blood and cancer clinics; assisting with bingos at care facilities; Freedom's door lunches; blanket tying for cancer patients; Space burger booth; serving lunches to seniors; 'hard time' dance; food bank; health fair; school breakfast program; soap for hope packaging; tree chipping; Chinatown care foundation; Jubilee care lunch; family pancake breakfast; arena concession; school lunches; mammography van registrations; holiday tray favors for hospital and senior home. This is naming only a few of the many projects that the Lioness do  
Hours: 8728+ to date.

Donations were made to: Hospitals; Ronald McDonald House; Big Brothers program; food bank; starfish food program. Blankets to the Cancer Foundation, plus many more worthy causes.  
Donations: \$72,105.00+ (to date).

Again, some of the clubs have not sent in reports.

Of the clubs that have sent in reports, the Sooke District Lioness bridged to Lions on 25 March, 2020; Kelowna Lioness are bridging on 30 June, 2020; one other club indicated they are bridging to a Lions club (not sure of the date); three clubs folding as of 30 December, 2020 but some of their members will join their sponsoring Lions club; one club folding June, 2020; two clubs will remain as Lioness until June 2021 and then folding; one club folding June, 2021 and will become their own non-profit club.

We Serve Too!"

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

"District Lions Quest chairpersons from all across Canada have been meeting twice a month by Zoom since April. This has given our LQ chairpersons a great advantage to learn more how Lions Quest is used in all the provinces and an opportunity to collaborate with other LQ Chairpersons.

The Social Emotional Learning activities for families to use during this pandemic can be found on the Lions Quest Canada website [www.lionsquest.ca](http://www.lionsquest.ca). These activities are being used by LCI and have been sent to other LQ departments to be put into their own language.

A webinar, 'What the Heck is Lions Quest anyway?' has been produced for Lions, Leos and Lioness to give them a better understanding of the advantages of our programs. Mini community workshops will be available soon by Zoom as well.

Sadly, 19-A, 19-D and 19-I conferences were cancelled and all the great Lions Quest activities that were planned didn't happen.

At the MD Convention in Penticton on Saturday Morning October 17, 2020, we are turning the clocks back and the participants in our panel will actually be students and be taught a LQ lesson by a teacher, who took the workshop last August in Oliver, BC. (Keep your fingers crossed that this will happen).

Because of COVID-19, there has not been much activity in the schools or communities with our programs. However, the District LQ chairpersons in MD19 continue to work hard in their respect Districts with planning for the future.

19A – ZC Vivian Lo:

Vivian will be the LQ Chairperson for 19-A for 2020-21. She has been attending the Zoom Meetings and is looking into doing LQ Workshops for student teachers in her district. Also looking into the funding available through LCIF for these workshops.

19I – PZC Lion Michael Stanford:

I will be the District Lions Quest Chairperson for District 19I for 2020 - 2021. My goal for this new year will be to form a Lions Quest Committee for Vancouver Island. On June 10, 2020 at 1pm (Pacific), we will be having a District 19I Virtual Lions Quest Workshop for Cabinet. I donated \$500 to Lions Quest Canada, which I purchased five Lions Quest Q Bear Fan Club Members. I will be presenting the Memberships during the Virtual Workshop. With Covid19, I did not have the chance to present at the District Spring Conference. I am planning similar workshops on Vancouver Island & will involve the Zone Chairpersons to help organize & invite people, so they can learn more about Lions Quest Programs first hand.

19-I has 12 School Districts on Vancouver Island. We can meet via Zoom Virtual Meetings. I am preplanning & would like to further fundraise on Vancouver Island to meet the Lions Quest District Grant Requirement. I need assistance to do the fundraising.

We have been approaching School Districts in our area. The next step will be to reach out to teachers already trained in Lions Quest and let them know that we have upgraded our program. This step will ultimately lead to more school-based workshops, so we have to be ready.

Currently, we have \$3,111.18 in our District Lions Quest Account. We just received another cheque \$250.00 from a Lions Club that needs to be deposited into the account so the total \$3,361.18. The cheque is enroute to our District Treasurer for Deposit.

Prior to 2018, Lions Quest was not represented at the District Level. We are slowly gaining momentum back on Vancouver Island. To quote a famous leader, 'By the Yard it's hard, Inch by Inch, anything is a Cinch' ~ Brian Tracy.

19D – PDG Norma Bent,

Our District has received a Grant of \$15,000.00 US dollars from LCIF for Lions Quest Workshops and programs. However, with the conferences being cancelled we have not been able to spend any of it.

We will be working on the MD19 Convention in October. We are also looking into doing some mini community workshops. I have been attending the District & MD LQ chairpersons' meetings by Zoom. I am finding them very informative and look forward to moving on soon with lots of activity for LQ in our District.

19H – Lion Nathan Martyn,

Currently for 19-H things are slow due to Covid-19. With the help of Joanne, we have reached out to Langley School District, as most of the money in our account has come from Langley/Fort Langley Lions, to see if we can start a relationship, as we know when this all ends youth are going to need more SEL help than before dealing with all the struggles and changes Covid-19 has brought. I haven't been able to make the last two team zoom meetings due to scheduling conflicts, but I do hope to make the next one. I'm working on making sure I understand the verbiage of Lions Quest and once I feel comfortable enough to sell the program to other Lions clubs in 19-H I'll do what I can to speak to clubs electronically and if nothing else get the Lions Quest ball rolling for when we can resume regular activities.

I will be the 2020-2021 19-H Lions Quest Chairperson. I've got far too many things to learn about it and I'm excited to try to get it into more schools to help our youth.

Please remember that it is important that the Lions Quest programs, both Community and School Based, be 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:

"We approved 69 grants for \$3,559,090 for the full realm of our global service projects including our first grants for Hunger and Childhood Cancer. (This does not include the 218 COVID-19 LCIF Emergency Grants that total \$3.5M) That means we have spent over \$7M to fund grants, in the last two months. We need to replenish this money.

Our investments have taken a huge hit, but they have outperformed the market by 2%, so we have our money well invested, even for volatile markets.

The COVID-19 Emergency Grants will run through the end of this fiscal year, so if you have a district with a major need and they have a plan, then they should get their applications in soon.

Campaign 100 has been extended until the end of the 2021-2022 fiscal year. This will affect all our Coordinators as their terms are set to expire prior to that. Staff will be sending us the procedures for nominating our Multiple District Coordinators and District Coordinators and will be working with the Coordinators to see if they want to stay on or wish to be replaced.

**NOTE:** The above comments are from PID Joe Preston which he sent out to Coordinators earlier this week. They are as a result of the Board of Trustees meeting held recently.

Through the end of April districts D-E-F (US and Canada) have combined donations of \$61,352. This is down \$4,453 from last year. There is time to make up that difference. As PID Joe stated above we need to replenish funds.

Members in the U.S. received a generous gift from the government. I encourage you to consider donating a portion of that gift to LCIF. I realize for some individuals this was needed financial help and probably can't and that's OK, while others it was in addition to what was already available. In an email from President Choi a few weeks ago he stated while we can't serve with our hands we can serve financially."

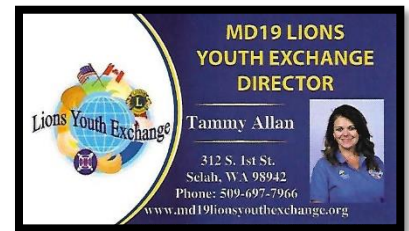
**YOUTH EXCHANGE REPORT** by Tammy Allan, Chairperson:

"Cancelled", that is the word for Spring! Every time I checked my email, another camp was being cancelled - all around the world. Even our very own, MD19 YEP decided in mid-March to cancel hosting students for this Summer. It was a hard decision, but necessary nonetheless... I had been busy, in January and February getting host families all lined up for the 14 student exchanges we had ready for Summer 2020.

I made a quick trip to Dallas, TX, in mid-February for the USA/North America Youth Exchange Conference. I met some very dedicated, fun loving people to this Lions Youth Exchange Program. I was so excited about the connections made on that trip, I came back and talked George Robison into hosting the next conference in Seattle for Feb. 2021. Unfortunately, that has also been scrapped along with YEP camps and host exchanges for 2020. But don't get bummed out, we'll be BACK!



Good news is that donations still have continued to come in and I was able to sell some cool prints at the one and only Spring Conference in Langley, BC for our Multiple District. Below is a picture of our wild Executive Director, Peter Anderson holding one of the prints! If you want one let me know, all money goes to YEP Foundation.



[WWW.MD19LIONSYOUTHSEXCHANGE.ORG](http://WWW.MD19LIONSYOUTHSEXCHANGE.ORG)

**MD19 FOUNDATION REPORTS**

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

"In this time of Covid-19 CLERC eyeglass collections are still continuing; there is no stopping the shipping as our shipper is a necessary service. Lions are, of course, still collecting but unsure if they can send them to Calgary. Well, we can! Our main problem is businesses having reduced hours with distancing rules and not as many customers are coming through the door.

Last week 26 boxes of lenses and glasses (2000 lbs.) were sent to CLERC in Calgary, AB. Lions are collecting but need to be informed to call Barry at 604-594-6579 or Paul at 604-380-1898 or John at 604-230-4244. We'll pick them up and get them shipped.

Lions are waiting for the all clear to send them off to CLERC. The backup will mean large numbers of glasses and lens will need to be shipped all at the same time.

PZC Paul Hand of the Barnet Lions club will be taking over as the MD19 CLERC Chairperson and he has been collecting and shipping for years so knows the system and will serve Lions very well.

Our issues with shipping have been fixed and I see nothing to change this necessary community partnership. We are very fortunate to have the two big companies and all the other small shippers especially in the north of BC that ship glasses for free because we are the Lions Clubs.

I have enjoyed my time serving as MD19 CLERC chairperson the last five years but it's time for someone else to take over. I am very grateful to all the Lions that spent their time collecting, sorting and shipping

all the glasses, helping make this project a success. Lion Gord, at CLERC says we, the Lions of BC are the largest contributors of glasses in Canada to CLERC.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve. There is a great deal of proof that this eyeglass service is the most effective project Lions do. Eleven million glasses over the last 10 years, given free to those. The glasses we collect actually go to those in need all over the world, as witnessed by Dr. Parsons - he gets his glasses from CLERC and gave them out free at his last mission in Nepal."

**LIONS OF BC HEARING CONSERVATION SOCIETY REPORT** by PCC Surinder Gahir, President:  
"Council Chairperson, JD, Fellow Council Members, Lions, Leos, and Guests, greetings.

Although most Lions clubs are not having meetings because of COVID-19 we are still getting some requests for hearing aids.

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

We had our AGM the first week of May. We have provided fifty-three (53) hearing aids to deserving clients this past year.

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 more information please contact me at: [governor.gahir@gmail.com](mailto:governor.gahir@gmail.com) or contact your district's hearing chairperson.

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

**YOUTH EXCHANGE FOUNDATION REPORT** by Tammy Allan, Chairperson:

"Although four scholarships were awarded for summer 2020, none will be used since all youth exchange activity has been cancelled due to the coronavirus. At this time every youth exchange activity worldwide is on a wait and see basis. It is not known when activity will resume.

As indicated in past reports, fundraising is meager because less than a handful of clubs contribute and no contributions are received from any District or MD19."

## **MD19 CONVENTION REPORTS**

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

"SEPTEMBER 17-20, 2020.

This year's Forum is in Louisville, Kentucky, in a great convention facility. All hotels are close by and reasonably priced.

As of April 18, the Forum is ON!!! We are planning on an EXTRAordinary event with a big crowd. We hope that by September our travels will be unrestricted and that Lions from Canada and the USA will be ready to journey to Louisville.

Begins September 17, morning with a symposium covering childhood cancer. The Strides walk is Thursday at lunchtime. Picture below shows our international officers in Spokane for the biggest Strides walk ever—over 650 Lions walking for diabetes awareness!

Then, Thursday afternoon begins the 80+ seminars offered through Saturday afternoon.

Thursday night is fun night, with a rock & roll band and a real dance floor to kick up your heels. Plus, we'll have the photo booths back again.



Thursday afternoon, just prior to the dinner, we'll have Kentucky Derby hat-making. OR, bring your own fancy Derby hats. There's a hat contest, too!

We have excellent keynote speakers lined up for the meal sessions—and really good food!



Register now for the early bird fee of \$285. Register online at [www.lionsforum.org](http://www.lionsforum.org) or download the registration form, print and submit via mail.”

**MOTION:** A motion was made by District Governor Cec Specht, 19-I and seconded by District Governor Stephen Staudinger, 19-G to accept the Consent Agenda reports. Motion passed.

### **REPORTS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

**MD19 CONVENTION REPORT** by Bob Elliott, Chairperson:

“**REGISTRATION FORMS – completed and posted on MD19 website**

Registration forms received up to and including June 14, 2020. We are not accepting payments until we are confident that the convention will be able to be held.

#### **ACCOMODATIONS**

The convention hotel is ready to accept reservations, you just need to tell them that your attending the MD19 Convention. For people wanting to extend their stay, the hotel will honor this rate three days before and three days after the convention, subject to availability at the time of booking. If you wish to do so, please call the hotel directly.

#### **MEALS and EVENTS – menus set**

The Great Estates Wine Experience Centre and Tasting Room will be open for Lions on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday – October 14, 15, & 16 from 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm for a ‘wine station grazing’. The cost will be \$25.00 CDN per person.

Breakfasts are on your own, but we have arranged for a Grab & Go breakfast like they had in Wenatchee last year.

The ‘District Picnic Lunch’ on Friday will provide Past and current District Governors with the opportunity to have a special meeting with attendees from their district to present district awards, special thank you and promote district projects and discuss the future.

#### **GUEST SPEAKER - booked**

Dr. Grant Bogyo – will tell us about the pediatric oncology medications that he delivered which resulted in life for a few young patients in Venezuela who would have otherwise died.

**FUN NIGHT** - the theme is **Mardi Gras!!** ... the DJ is booked and we will have a special ‘photo booth’ for costume pictures. Prizes will be awarded.

#### **CANADA LIONS CENTENNIAL**

This will be an opportunity for MD19 Lions clubs to recognize and celebrate 100 years of Lions providing service in Canada.

#### **LIONS QUEST - workshop**

##### **Our Kids are Our Present and Our Future**

At the MD19 Convention, turn the clock back and be a student ... experience what students learn when you support Lions Quest.

## Province of British Columbia's RESTART PLAN

### Phase 4

Date to be determined. Conditional on at least one of the following; wide vaccination, "community" immunity, broad successful treatments ... applicable to activities requiring large gatherings, such as:

#### Conventions

- Live audience professional sports
- Concerts
- International tourism

Our biggest challenge is related to COVID-19. If the border hasn't opened (see International Tourism) under Phase 4 above, there would not be any way we could get Lions from the United States to the Convention. And, if it was open, they would likely have to quarantine for 14 days before attending the convention.

Realistically, with the naming of Conventions under Phase 4 above, and with the conditions that must be in existence before one would be able to hold a convention, it doesn't seem likely that we will be able to have the MD19 Convention in 2020.

Given the above, and with Peter Anderson's permission, I contacted the Lakeside Hotel, to discuss holding MD19 2022 at this same location. The response from the hotel is as follows:

*'(will) place a hold on some alternative date options (October 13-16 **2022**) as a backup. In the case that the (Convention) cannot move forward due to COVID-19 ... we will apply your deposit towards the rescheduled dates. Our rebooking policy requires the rebooked event to take place within 1 year of the original event dates, but due to the circumstances we will be as flexible as possible and make an exception on this for your Group.'*

And of course, Penticton Lions are willing to be the host club in 2022."

### **Discussion held on whether to proceed with holding the MD19 Annual Convention in Penticton, B.C. due to Covid-19 activity and precautions currently set in place on both sides of the U.S / Canadian Border.**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by PCC John Kirry and seconded by PDG Mike Dukes, 19-I to cancel the 2020 MD19 Annual Convention in Penticton, B.C. A roll call vote was taken with 11 affirmative and 6 negatives. Motion passed.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by PDG Sharon Sikes, 19-C and seconded by District Governor Frank Bega, 19-E to hold the 2020 MD19 Annual Convention through a virtual medium. Motion carried.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by PDG Sharon Sikes, 19-C and seconded by PDG Mike Mansell, 19-G for the 2022 MD19 Annual Convention to be held in Penticton, B.C. and be hosted by the Penticton Lions Club. Motion carried.

### **CARE REPORT** by Patti Easterling, Chairperson

"We are in very different times right now. The situation in Honduras is very difficult at this time. They are not only fighting the Coronavirus but they are also fighting starvation and malnutrition at alarming rate due to the virus. Our CARE affiliates in Honduras have sent us a proposal that, in essence, redirects some of the funding from The Healthy Gardens Project to help the community now. We would still be providing food and nutrition, but at this time in a different manner. I personally feel this is the right thing to do."

The Council earlier had sent out an email vote to reallocate the 2019-2020 funds raised for the MD19 CARE Garden Project in Honduras to immediate food distribution in the community. That email vote passed.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by District Governor Patty Allen-White, 19-H and seconded by District Governor Debbie Bostock, 19-D to ratify the email vote taken to approve the CARE request to redirect MD19 funding of the 2019-2020 Honduras project. Motion carried.

**NEW CARE PROJECT** by Patti Easterling, Chairperson:

"Dear Patti,

I'm so pleased to share these two new project ideas with you from our offices in Haiti and Ecuador. We would greatly welcome the support of Multiple District 19 Lions for one of these two very important initiatives. Each of these projects works to address the underlying causes of poverty, enabling the poorest and most marginalized members of society to realize their full potential.

Attached you will find two project ideas:

- 1) HAITI – Help establish learning centers in Haiti where girls who have missed-out on basic schooling can catch-up on the education they have missed, helping break the cycle of extreme poverty.
- 2) ECUADOR – Support farming families in rural Ecuador in adapting to the changing climate so that they can become more resilient and secure. This project will place a special focus on engaging women farmers in decision-making on policies and practices related to agriculture.

Thank you for considering these new opportunities for working together to address poverty in Latin America. Please kindly let me know if you have any questions about these two project needs.

We deeply appreciate our partnership with MD19 Lions. Thank you for your consideration!

**Dana Tseng | CARE USA | Sr. Director of Development**

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## CARE Project Proposal for MD19 Lions



### Haiti

#### Project Snapshot

**Name:** Community-Managed Girls' Learning Centers  
**Location:** 20 Rural Communities in central Haiti  
**Duration:** 24 Months (Dec 2021 – Dec 2023)  
**Funding Requested:** \$80,000 (\$40,000 per year)  
**CARE Contact:** Dana Tseng,  
[Dana.tseng@care.org](mailto:Dana.tseng@care.org)

#### Background

In Haiti, many children lack access to quality, basic education. And for girls, the problem is even greater. In the Central region of Haiti, the number of girls who complete primary education is shockingly low. In 2018, **more than half of school-age girls in this region did not complete more than 2.5 years of schooling.** This is despite the government's pledge to strengthen public education and improve teacher training. The main reasons for children (both girls and boys) abandoning school include: parents' inability to afford school fees; heavy household chores; lack of parental support for children at both school and home. While progress has been made in enrolling girls by the Haiti government, the number of girls who do not enroll in primary school and/or drop-out early is woefully high.

The Government of Haiti is committed to strengthening girls' education and improving opportunities for vocational training. The Ministry of Education has developed a 10-year policy and operational plan to foster collaboration across local, international and government partners geared toward advancing basic education in Haiti. CARE is partnering with the Haiti government in support of this plan to increase girls' access to education.

### **Project Summary**

Using our decades of experience around the world in girls' education, CARE is undertaking a new initiative in Haiti. CARE plans to establish **community-led and community-managed learning centers for girls ages 10-19 who either dropped out of school or have not had a chance to attend one.**

Established centers will provide 9- to 12-month accelerated learning courses tailored to the realities of girls in Haiti. The centers will be equipped with learning curriculums based on CARE's groundbreaking program called *Strengthening Opportunities for Adolescents Resilience* (SOAR). The centers will enroll primarily girls who were unable to either start or remain at school due to the extreme vulnerability of their parents.

**These learning centers will be created and managed by already-established village saving and loan associations (VSLAs) in the target communities.** These VSLA groups, primarily comprised of women, have been a part of CARE's long-term approach in Haiti to increasing economic security. For nearly 30 years in over 50 countries around the world, CARE's VSLA model has proven itself to be a successful, adaptable platform for making transformative change in communities. Through this new initiative, CARE plans to pilot an informal education model in which VSLA groups are the primary drivers and champions. Once established, the model would operate differently than a traditional SOAR program that is fully funded by project resources. Rather, the project will build and connect local resources to set up an informal education that addresses the issues of education among disadvantaged girls in rural areas. Participation in the centers will be based on merit among girls from extremely poor families who never got a chance to go to and/or remain in school and will require a recommendation by a member of a founding VSLA.

Courses will be tailored to local realities and needs in order to prepare girls to be confident in their abilities to overcome the adversities and gender social-culture barriers in their societies, and therefore gain the basic skills needed to fulfill their dreams. Courses will be age-sensitive, with a strong emphasis on stimulating and nurturing entrepreneurial spirit among girls. Parents will play a crucial role in the project, which not only will help ensure that impact is sustainable, but also that child-parent relationships are strengthened at home and at school. The centers will support parents to build positive and supportive relationships with their children, while also **instilling a culture of promoting girls' education in the wider community.**

Courses will be organized in a series of two- to three-hour sessions three times a week. Each center will develop its own schedule based on community needs, with input from VSLA members. Centers will be managed by a committee set up by founding VSLAs in collaboration with their local leaders. Every center will aim to provide two courses per year for a maximum of 25 girls per class. The course will provide these girls a path to either transition them back to formal school or to vocational training to give them skills to start and grow a business.

**With support from MD19 Lions and other donors, CARE will implement community-managed girls' centers in 15-20 communities in the Central region of Haiti.** CARE has set up more than 300 VSLA groups in the target area, and 50% of these VSLAs are more than 2 years old, mobilizing 6,699 members – 80% women. These members have maintained a consistent pattern of saving and investment in microenterprises that have contributed to set up a voucher school feeding business with formal schools in their catchment areas. As an example of the community impact these groups can have, VSLAs – with support from the French Embassy in Haiti – set up a kitchen to provide food to school canteens. VSLA members have long expressed concerns about not being able to send their children, so they are motivated and eager to find innovative solutions that benefit their entire communities.

For this pilot, the project team will help interested VSLA groups develop business plans for their individual learning centers, with a clear plan for withdrawing CARE financial support to the management of the centers within a 36-month period. From Year 2, the project will intensify business management

capacity-building the founding members of the centers to provide them with the required knowledge and skills to effectively manage the centers from a social business perspective.

The project will have three phases of 12 months each, starting in 2021 and ending in 2023. **The proposed MD19 Lions- funded project will support the initial two phases to complement and expand CARE's VSLA work to date to address a crucial issue of girls' education in rural impoverished communities.**

*Key activities in the pilot project will include:*

- **Mobilize communities.** The project will engage target communities to assess the barriers to girls' education, and mobilize community support for community-managed learning centers.
- **Sensitize VSLA groups on girls' education.** These meetings also will involve school management committees (SMCs) and parent-teachers associations.
- **Set up community-led girls' learning centers.** The project will work closely with interested VSLA groups to identify a location for the learning center, establish a good working relationship with SMCs, and develop a process for recruiting teachers and students, as well as establishing basic rules for the management of the centers.
- **Train VSLA members on financial literacy, business planning and quality monitoring.** The aim is to build capacity among VSLAs and their partner SMCs to manage centers, as well as monitor, report and facilitate dialogue on the quality of teaching and coaching.
- **Improve nutrition.** The project team will help develop action plans at each school for the production of vegetables to improve the availability of nutritious food in a sustainable way, using an environmental protection approach.

*Expected outcomes include:*

- Increased learning opportunities for children, especially girls, from extremely poor families who don't have access to formal school.
- Functional community-managed girls' centers that serve as a model for supporting girls' education.
- Improved parental guardianship and participation in their children's education.

**Budget**

Item	Total
Personnel	\$24,000
Girls' Centers	\$30,500
Trainings	\$9,500
Office Costs	\$5,600
CARE USA Technical and Administrative support (13% of gift total)	\$10,400
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>

**Thank you for your Consideration!**

We would be grateful to have the support of Multiple District 19 Lions, to create learning centers in Haiti where girls who have missed-out on basic schooling can catch-up on the education they have missed. By investing in girls' education, you can change the trajectory for a girl, putting her on the path to a better future.

June 2020

## CARE Project Proposal for MD19 Lions



### Ecuador

#### Project Snapshot

**Name:** Engaging Rural Women to Combat Climate Change in the Central Highlands of Ecuador

**Location:** Cotopaxi and Chimborazo Provinces

**Funding Requested:** \$80,000 (\$40,000 per year)

**CARE Contact:** Dana Tseng, [Dana.tseng@care.org](mailto:Dana.tseng@care.org)

#### Background

In rural Ecuador, climate change is a growing emergency and rising threat to poor families. Increased temperatures and droughts make it difficult for families to grow food for themselves and to earn an income from farming. Additionally, an increase in agricultural activity is accelerating soil degradation and making farming less sustainable. CARE is working in rural Ecuador to help families adapt to the changing environment so that they can protect their children from hunger and malnutrition and increase their food security and economic security.

To help rural families adapt to the changing climate, CARE supports local farmers in their learning of agro-ecological techniques and knowledge. And CARE places a special emphasis on engaging women farmers in these programs. In Ecuador, and throughout Latin America, the responsibility of growing food, either to feed their families or earn an income, falls primarily on the shoulders of women. But unequal power relations are widespread and entrenched in culture and history, and as a result, women are often excluded from decision-making related to farming and agriculture even though they produce most of the food.

In 2018, surveys by the Center for Studies of Population and Social Development found that 76% of households grow food crops, whether in a home garden or on private or leased land. Of that group, 26% of the work is done by women, 9% by men, and 65% by both. In some rural parishes, there is also a significant percentage of families headed by women (27.9%), which reflects the tendency of men to migrate due to labor. Therefore, **rural women play a decisive role in food security and agrobiodiversity, as well as in children's health.**

#### Project Summary

With funding from Multiple District 19 Lions, CARE would work directly with 600 women farmers in the rural provinces of Cotopaxi and Chimborazo to address climate change. Through the **Engaging Rural Women to Combat Climate Change** project, CARE would address three critical barriers to the active participation of women – especially young women – in decision-making regarding climate-change issues:

- Provision of strategic information on gender at national, sectoral and territorial levels, given that the data related to time use, gender-based violence, or participation in certain economic activities, among others, correspond to surveys carried out more than eight years ago.
- Promote skills development, both in acquired rights (access to land, water, and seeds), gender-based violence, and climate change (adaptation and mitigation).
- Close the general public's knowledge gaps on gender and climate change, specifically in women's and men's organizations, and with an emphasis on young women in this area.

By developing and implementing an agenda for rural women to combat climate change in the central highlands of Ecuador, the project would be **building plans with those who suffer the most**

**considerable harm, highlighting the priorities of rural communities, promoting decarbonization and resilience, and reducing gender gaps** in the management and planning of their territories.

The objective of the project is: To promote the leadership and participation of rural women, especially young women, in decision-making processes regarding adaptation and mitigation to climate change, in the central highlands of Ecuador.

### **Specific Objectives**

- **Strengthen the capacity of women's organizations** through spaces and workshops for dialogue on issues of climate change, gender and resilience.
- **Strengthen the social fabric of youth movements** by building capacity to create entrepreneurial, resilient and violence-free territories.
- **Develop local public policies, mechanisms and policies** based on the *Rural Women's Agenda to Combat Climate Change* in the Central Highlands. Ultimately, the agenda would be linked to the planning tools and multi-year budgets of the decentralized autonomous governments of Chimborazo and Cotopaxi provinces.

*Key activities will include:*

- Enroll 100 women per year from both the Cotopaxi and Chimborazo provinces (200 total) to **reach a total of 600 women during the lifetime of the project.**
- **Partner with the Chimborazo Polytechnic School** to develop a curriculum and training modules on gender and climate change; normative frameworks in social organization; and citizen participation.
- **Create an emerging leadership development program** through youth laboratories and schools of social innovation.
- **Implement psychosocial accompaniment methodologies linked to art<sup>1</sup>** for young people who have survived the trauma (forced migration, teenage pregnancy, sexual violence, etc.).
- **Develop civic laboratories<sup>2</sup>** for making proposals on relevant community issues.
- **Establish participatory planning tools** on climate change and the eradication of gender-based violence.
- **Foster roundtable discussions** of common interest in the target area, where participants can propose regulations, protocols or public policy mechanisms to meet emerging needs on issues related to gender and climate change.

### **Target beneficiaries**

Over three years, direct beneficiaries will include **600 rural women** in the two provinces that participate in the organizations; **300 young people** from rural communities; and four technicians from the provincial autonomous decentralized governments of Cotopaxi and Chimborazo. Indirect beneficiaries will include **2,400 women** in the two provinces that participate in the organizations; **1,000 young people** in the public space who will learn and become aware of the local problems to be addressed; and 20 government technicians.

<sup>1</sup> CARE proposes to develop the Telas de Araña (spider-web in Spanish) and Theater of the Oppressed methodology; both methodologies have proven positive results in psychosocial support, strengthening of resilience and the construction of social fabric among young people.

<sup>2</sup> A space open to experimentation, where different knowledge and feelings come together through a participatory methodology.

**Thank you for your consideration!**

Funding from Multiple District 19 Lions would help support farming families in rural Ecuador adapt to the changing climate and become more resilient. By engaging women farmers in decision-making on policies and practices related to agriculture, we can help them improve their communities and create a better future for their families.

**Budget**

Item	Total
Personnel	\$26,095
Travel	\$9,240
Direct Project Costs (Civic Workshops, Art Exhibitions, Meetings, Etc.)	\$28,350
Operating Costs (Office Supplies, Maintenance, Communications, Etc.)	\$7,111
<b>Total Direct Costs</b>	<b>70,796</b>
CARE USA Technical and Administrative support (13% of gift total)	\$9,204
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>

June 2020

**The vote for the 2020-2021 CARE Project will be done by the members of the 2020-2021 Council of Governors at a later time in this meeting.**

*District Governors Ken Allan, 19-F, Stephen Staudinger, 19-G and Cec Specht, 19-I shared what they have learned that they didn't know at this time last year.*

**MD19 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

"The Budget and Finance committee meet on June 11<sup>th</sup> and reviewed the budget for the 2020-2021 Lions year. After reviewing the budget for next year, we are presenting a balanced budget. Listed below are some of the larger changes:

- Line 27 Grant Leader Development zero this year.
- Line 28 Grant MD19 District support team zero this year.
- Line 124 Raise for the Admin assistant. 2% cola, 6% pay increase.
- Line 125 Raise for Executive Director. 2% cola, 6% pay increase.

We added a new Line 157 Leo member co-chairperson \$300. It would help the Leo member with expense to COG meetings and convention expenses subject to the rules of audit.

We also increased expenses for the Zone Chairpersons. I can answer any questions you may have about the budget.

I would like to thank my committee for their work on the Budget.

2020-2021 Budget with April 30, 2020 Membership									
Income					6% (year)	6% (10 months)			
MD19 dues, \$24.60	1/31/2020	4/30/2020	4/30/20	4/30/2020	2019-2020	Actual	Variance	2020-2021	
MD19 Dues 1/31/2020	Members	Members	less 2%	% Dues Pd	Budget	5/30/2020		Budget	
District A	1162	1158	1135	84%	\$1224	\$1675	\$451	\$1675	
District B	711	709	695	94%	\$868	\$952	\$84	\$1026	
District C	1325	1331	1304	89%	\$1573	\$1723	\$150	\$1925	
District D	1105	1114	1092	91%	\$1432	\$1261	\$(171)	\$1611	
District E	1269	1282	1256	94%	\$1580	\$1741	\$161	\$1854	
District F	1223	1212	1188	91%	\$1445	\$1592	\$147	\$1753	
District G	1253	1261	1236	90%	\$1410	\$1710	\$300	\$1824	
					<b>6% (year)</b>	<b>6% (10 months)</b>			
	1/31/2020	4/30/2020	4/30/20	4/30/2020	2019-2020	Actual	Variance	2020-2021	
	Members	Members	less 2%	% Dues Pd	Budget	5/30/2020		Budget	
District H	1527	1520	1490	94%	\$1800	\$2123	\$323	\$2199	
District I	1207	1224	1200	96%	\$1331	\$1934	\$603	\$1770	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>10,782</b>	<b>10,811</b>	<b>11,595</b>	<b>91.44%</b>					
					<b>2019-2020</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>2020-2021</b>	
					<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/30/2020</b>		<b>Budget</b>	
MD19 Operations Account – 89%					\$187,829	\$226,719	\$38,890	\$231,962	
District Budgeted 6% from above					\$12,663	\$14,711	\$2048	\$15,638	
MD19 Convention Reserve-3%					\$6331	\$7641	\$1310	\$7819	



				2019-2020	Actual	Variance	2020-2021	
				Budget	5/30/2020		Budget	
MD19 Reserve Account – 1%				\$2110	\$2547	\$437	\$2606	
MD19 Building Reserve Account – 1%				\$2110	\$2547	\$437	\$2606	
<b>Total Dues Income (gross)</b>				<b>\$211,044</b>	<b>\$254,165</b>	<b>\$43,121</b>	<b>\$260,632</b>	
				2019-2020	Actual	Variance	2020-2021	
				Budget	5/30/2020		Budget	
<b>MD19 Other Income</b>				<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/30/2020</b>		<b>Budget</b>	
Annual Convention				\$5000	\$5403	\$403	\$5000	
District Budget Support				\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Grant Audio Visual Equipment (Foundation)				\$800	\$ -	\$(800)	\$2000	
Border Crossing Editor Grant (Foundation)				\$1800	\$2000	\$200	\$2000	
District & Zone Officer School Grant (LCI)				\$1525	\$1525	\$ -	\$1525	
District & Zone Officer School Grant (MD19 Foundation)				\$9125	\$ -	\$(9125)	\$8,000	
Grant Leader Development Programs				\$16,000	\$ -	\$(16,000)	\$ -	
MD19 District Support Team Grant (Foundation)				\$3860	\$3860	\$ -	\$ -	
Credit Card 3% Fee				\$20	\$12	\$12	\$20	
Building & Grounds Improvements				\$ -	\$200	\$200	\$250	
Building-Memorial Garden				\$3000	\$4375	\$1375	\$1500	
International Convention				\$ -	\$15	\$15	\$ -	
New Club Paraphernalia				\$650	\$802	\$152	\$825	
CoG				\$ -	\$412	\$412	\$100	
Postage Recovered				\$200	\$79	\$(121)	\$100	
Printing Recovered				\$175	\$60	\$(115)	\$100	
Sales –Award Banner Patches				\$100	\$53	\$(47)	\$75	
Sales - Other				\$1000	\$584	\$(416)	\$600	
Pins – Sales Income				\$500	\$95	\$(405)	\$100	
Uniforms – Sales Income				\$1500	\$2486	\$986	\$1800	
Roster / C&A Sales				\$300	\$204	\$(96)	\$200	
Roster / C&A Advertising				\$1225	\$525	\$(700)	\$525	
Bulletin Subscriptions				\$180	\$156	\$(24)	\$150	
Lioness - Awards				\$225	\$127	\$(98)	\$115	
Lioness-Roster				\$195	\$138	\$(57)	\$125	
Miscellaneous Income				\$ -	\$69	\$69	\$50	
Fundraising – MD19 General Fund				\$10	\$50	\$40	\$50	
Exchange Income (Information Only)				\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Interest Income				\$500	\$34	\$(466)	\$50	
Membership / Rebuilding Clubs				\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Total MD19 Other Income</b>				<b>\$47,890</b>	<b>\$23,264</b>	<b>\$(24,626)</b>	<b>\$25,260</b>	
<b>Total MD19 Income</b>				<b>\$258,934</b>	<b>\$277,429</b>	<b>\$18,495</b>	<b>\$285,892</b>	
				2019-2020	Actual	Variance	2020-2021	
				Budget	5/30/2020		Budget	
<b>EXPENSE</b>				<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/30/2020</b>		<b>Budget</b>	
<b>District Ops Accounts 1/31/19</b>				<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/30/2020</b>		<b>Budget</b>	
District A	1162			\$1224	\$1675	\$(451)	\$1675	
District B	711			\$868	\$952	\$(84)	\$1026	
District C	1325			\$1573	\$1723	\$(150)	\$1925	
District D	1105			\$1432	\$1261	\$171	\$1611	
District E	1269			\$1580	\$1741	\$(161)	\$1854	
District F	1223			\$1445	\$1592	\$(147)	\$1753	
District G	1253			\$1410	\$1710	\$(300)	\$1824	
District H	1527			\$1800	\$2123	\$(323)	\$2199	
District I	1207			\$1331	\$1934	\$(603)	\$1770	
<b>Total District Operations Account</b>				<b>\$12,663</b>	<b>\$14,711</b>	<b>\$(2048)</b>	<b>\$15,638</b>	
				2019-2020	Actual	Variance	2020-2021	
				Budget	5/30/2020		Budget	
<b>International Convention Forum / Director</b>				<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/30/2020</b>		<b>Budget</b>	
Council Chairperson – Montreal, ON				\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Council Chairperson Elect (Seated VCC), July 2019				\$400	\$400	\$ -	\$400	Montreal July 2021
Convention Chairperson				\$400	\$400	\$ -	\$400	Montreal July 2021
Int'l Convention Exp. (Hosp. Rm)				\$500	\$500	\$ -	\$500	Montreal July 2021
VCC to USA / Canada Forum				\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
VDG to USA / Canada Forum				\$1200	\$1500	\$(300)	\$2700	\$2700 Max
<b>Total Int'l Convention/Forum/Director</b>				<b>\$2500</b>	<b>\$2800</b>	<b>\$(300)</b>	<b>\$4000</b>	
				2019-2020	Actual	Variance	2020-2021	
				Budget	5/30/2020		Budget	
<b>Capital Outlay</b>				<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/30/2020</b>		<b>Budget</b>	
Office Equipment				\$200	\$200	\$ -	\$200	

			2019-2020	Actual	Variance	2020-2021	
			Budget	5/30/2020		Budget	
Copier Lease (Konica & Phone System)			\$4525	\$4186	\$339	\$4525	
Vehicle Purchase Contract (\$300 p/m - \$3600)			\$3600	\$3300	\$300	\$3230	
<b>Total Capital Outlay</b>			<b>\$8325</b>	<b>\$7686</b>	<b>\$639</b>	<b>\$7955</b>	
			2019-2020	Actual	Variance	2020-2021	
			Budget	5/30/2020		Budget	
<b>MD19 Convention Expenses</b>							
Convention Reserve-MD19 (3%)			\$2500	\$1500	\$1000	\$3500	
MD19 Annual Convention			\$4000	\$3272	\$ -	\$4000	
<b>Total MD19 Convention Expenses</b>			<b>\$6500</b>	<b>\$4772</b>	<b>\$1728</b>	<b>\$7500</b>	
			2019-2020	Actual	Variance	2020-2021	
			Budget	5/30/2020		Budget	
<b>MD19 General Operations</b>							
Potential Bad Debt (MD19 Dues)			\$500	\$ -	\$500	\$250	
Credit Card Fees			\$200	\$286	\$(86)	\$300	
Accounting Compilation / Services			\$3389	\$4330	\$(941)	\$4500	
Bank Charges			\$500	\$117	\$383	\$125	
Memorial Garden Expense (Plants, Soil, etc.)			\$1000	\$3228	\$(2288)	\$1500	\$2200 picnic table
Building & Grounds (Cleaning & Repairs)			\$1200	\$4913	\$(3713)	\$5000	\$2289 soffit venting
Business License / Non-Profit Corporation			\$10	\$10	\$ -	\$75	June
Maintenance – Auto			\$1400	\$749	\$651	\$500	
Maintenance – Other Equipment (computer)			\$400	\$1000	\$(600)	\$500	
New Club Paraphernalia Expense- personalized gong & gavel			\$200	\$239	\$(39)	\$250	
Post Office Box Lease U.S. & Canada			\$80	\$63	\$17	\$80	
Postage			\$5000	\$4447	\$553	\$4800	
Postage Supplies (Dymo Labels)			\$600	\$459	\$141	\$600	
Office Supplies			\$600	\$552	\$48	\$800	
Printing and Stationary Supplies			\$2700	\$859	\$1841	\$1100	
Printing Roster / Contests & Awards Books			\$3800	\$3582	\$218	\$3700	
Purchases – Other Sales			\$1000	\$1333	\$(333)	\$1000	
Purchases – Trading Pins			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Expenses</b>							
Purchases – Uniforms for Sale			\$2000	\$1933	\$67	\$2000	
Computer Programs			\$800	\$902	\$(102)	\$500	
Exchange Expense			\$10,000	\$13,587	\$(3587)	\$13,600	
Utilities			\$6200	\$4449	\$1751	\$5800	
<b>Total MD19 Operations – General</b>			<b>\$41,579</b>	<b>\$47,098</b>	<b>\$(5519)</b>	<b>\$46,980</b>	
			2019-2020	Actual	Variance	2020-2021	
			Budget	5/30/2020		Budget	
<b>Insurance – Auto/Building</b>							
Auto Insurance			\$1750	\$1527	\$223	\$1800	
Commercial Pkge. Insurance (Bldg., Liability, Crime, Employee Dishonesty)			\$2500	\$2296	\$204	\$2400	
<b>Total Insurance – Auto/Building</b>			<b>\$4250</b>	<b>\$3823</b>	<b>\$427</b>	<b>\$4200</b>	
			2019-2020	Actual	Variance	2020-2021	
			Budget	5/30/2020		Budget	
<b>Personnel-Calendar Year</b>							
Bulletin Editor			\$1800	\$1636	\$164	\$2000	
Payroll – Admin Assistant \$15.25 \$16.50			\$29,817	\$28,394	\$1423	\$34,320	2% cola+6% wage erosion
Payroll – Executive Director \$20.40 \$22.04			\$42,432	\$39,168	\$3264	\$45,843	2% cola+6% wage erosion
Payroll – Receptionist / Bookkeeper \$13.50			\$17,150	\$11,480	\$5670	\$17,550	Min wage incr.
Medical Insurance – April 2021			\$13,382	\$12,714	\$668	\$16,946	
SUI			\$1117	\$864	\$253	\$1296	
L&I –SDI (Worker's Compensation)			\$943	\$811	\$132	\$1230	
SSI (FICA)			\$5797	\$5002	\$795	\$6182	
Medicare (FICA)			\$1356	\$1170	\$186	\$1446	
FUTA			\$168	\$117	\$51	\$168	
Pension-Executive Director			\$2496	\$2496	\$ -	\$2751	
Pension-Admin Assistant			\$1563	\$1760	\$(197)	\$2059	
<b>Total Personnel</b>			<b>\$118,021</b>	<b>\$105,612</b>	<b>\$12,409</b>	<b>\$131,792</b>	
			2019-2020	Actual	Variance	2020-2021	
			Budget	5/30/2020		Budget	
<b>Taxes (non-personnel)</b>							
Personal Property Tax			\$100	\$143	\$(43)	\$150	
Building Property Tax			\$5000	\$4918	\$82	\$5100	
<b>Total Taxes (non-personnel)</b>			<b>\$5100</b>	<b>\$5061</b>	<b>\$39</b>	<b>\$5250</b>	

			2019-2020	Actual	Variance	2020-2021
<b>Support: Club, Zone and District</b>			<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/30/2020</b>		<b>Budget</b>
International Director Candidate			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$500
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Dist. Governors at District Cabinet Meetings (\$800+\$800)			\$1600	\$381	\$1219	\$800
Awards & Trophies – Plaques, Banner Patches & Embroidery, Certificates			\$1000	\$639	\$361	\$800
MD19 Bulletin ( <i>Border Crossing</i> ): Total Expense of printing/AWeber			\$475	\$372	\$103	\$450
Council Chairperson Expense			\$3500	\$3496	\$4	\$4000
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Dist. Governors at MD19 Council Meetings			\$3500	\$2757	\$743	\$3500
Council Meeting – Fall, Wenatchee, WA			\$2200	\$3464	\$(1264)	\$3000
Council Meeting – Winter			\$3000	\$2579	\$421	\$1200
Council Meeting – Spring			\$2600	\$ -	\$ -	\$2600
Dist. & Zone Officer Training-Hotel, Mileage, Fares			\$10,000	\$ -	\$10,000	\$8000
Dist. & Zone Officer Training-Admin 2021			\$10,000	\$317	\$9683	\$8000
Executive Director Expense			\$6000	\$5717	\$283	\$6000
MD19 District Team Expenses			\$500	\$224	\$276	\$500
Membership / Rebuilding Programs			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
LEO Committee			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$300
Extension Chairperson – 50%			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Club, Zone and District Support</b>			<b>\$44,375</b>	<b>\$19,946</b>	<b>\$24,429</b>	<b>\$39,650</b>
			<b>2019-2020</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>2020-2021</b>
<b>Telephone</b>			<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/30/2020</b>		<b>Budget</b>
Telephone (Local, LD, Fax, Cell & Internet)			\$2800	\$2398	\$402	\$2650
Website			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$175
<b>Total Telephone &amp; Website</b>			<b>\$2800</b>	<b>\$2398</b>	<b>\$402</b>	<b>\$2825</b>
			<b>2019-2020</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>2020-2021</b>
<b>Zone Chairperson</b>			<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/30/2020</b>		<b>Budget</b>
Zone Chairperson – Expenses			\$8000	\$7164	\$836	\$9000
Zone Chairperson – MD19 Annual Convention			\$3500	\$2785	\$715	\$4000
<b>Total Zone Chairperson</b>			<b>\$11,500</b>	<b>\$9949</b>	<b>\$1551</b>	<b>\$13,000</b>
			<b>2019-2020</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>2020-2021</b>
<b>Reserve</b>			<b>Budget</b>	<b>5/30/2020</b>		<b>Budget</b>
Payable to MD 19 Reserve			\$ -	\$2547	\$(2547)	\$3500
Payable to Building Reserve			\$ -	\$2547	\$(2547)	\$3500
<b>Total Reserve</b>			<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$5094</b>	<b>\$(5094)</b>	<b>\$7000</b>
<b>Contingency</b>			<b>\$1321</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$1321</b>	<b>\$102</b>
<b>Total MD19 Expense</b>			<b>\$258,934</b>	<b>\$228,950</b>	<b>\$29,984</b>	<b>\$285,892</b>
<b>Total MD19 Expense Budget</b>			<b>\$258,934</b>	<b>\$228,950</b>		<b>\$285,892</b>
<b>Total MD19 Income Budget</b>			<b>\$258,934</b>	<b>\$277,429</b>		<b>\$285,892</b>
<b>Net Income/(Loss)</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$48,479</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$0</b>

The approval for the 2020-2021 MD19 Budget will be done later in this meeting under New Business by the 2020-2021 Council of Governors.

**GOVERNANCE REPORT** by PDG Chuck Waid, Chairperson:

“WHEREAS the Membership of Multiple District 19 approved the New Constitution and By-Laws in Wenatchee on 19 October 2019 AND

WHEREAS the Governance Committee stated that they would update the Policy Manual AND

WHEREAS the Committee members of CC J.D. Nellor, Executive Director Peter Anderson, VCC Al Hedstrom, PCC’s Jim Kemp, John Kirry, Larrie Taylor and Jon Whitman, PDG’s Marilynn Danby, John Moralek and Chuck Waid, and PZC Ryan Morrison AND

WHEREAS this dedicated group of Lions has held numerous of face to face meetings AND

WHEREAS they have exchanged 100’s of e-mails AND

WHEREAS they have revised and moved the Protocol & Courtesies and Ceremony for Departed Lions to the MD19 Website AND

WHEREAS they have reduced the Policy Manual from 17 chapters to 13 AND

WHEREAS they have reduced the number of pages in the Manual from 72 to 51 AND

WHEREAS VCC Hedstrom and PDG Danby have spent many hours editing and formatting AND

WHEREAS the committee is submitting the old Policy Manual with all of our red mark ups to the council AND

WHEREAS chapter four (4) was completely re-written AND

WHEREAS the committee is submitting the NEW edited and formatted Policy Manual to the council

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Council of Governors approve this Policy Manual AND

THEREFORE, publish and placed this manual on the Multiple District Website AND

FURTHER RESOLVED this Policy Manual shall be the Official Policy Manual of the Council of Governor and the Lions of Multiple District 19.

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED to the Multiple District Governance Committee, this date, 27 June in the Year of Our Lord 2020."

**MOTION:** A motion was made by PDG Sharon Sikes, 19-C and seconded by PDG Lyndon Harriman, 19-E to approve the MD19 Policy Manual as updated. Motion approved with 19 affirmative votes. No nays.

(The updated MD19 Policy Manual can be found on the MD19 Website)

The following MD19 Policy Manual changes were brought before the Council for a vote:

CHAPTER 2: Budget and Finance (~~Red Strike-through~~ is removal, green is addition)  
2. At the ~~Annual Convention~~ Spring Council of Governors meeting, the Budget and Finance Committee shall present to the Council for its consideration and approval, a balanced budget for the next fiscal year based upon the actual April 30th Lions membership total. ~~By Mid-January,~~ At the Winter Council meeting the Budget and Finance Committee will present a revised budget to the Council for its consideration and approval using the actual December 31<sup>st</sup> membership total. Any increase in the 'total MD Expense Budget' for any reason, must be made and approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and the Council. If approved, the action must require off-setting income and/or reduction in some other expense item(s). The approval by the Council requires that the 'revised' MD19 budget remain in balance.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by District Governor Patty Allen-White, 19-H and seconded by District Governor Debbie Bostock, 19-D to approve the changes to the MD19 Policy Manual - Chapter 2: Budget and Finance as shown above. Motion approved with 19 affirmative votes, no nays.

Add to Chapter 8: Multiple District Administration, Section H, Meetings:

5. ELECTRONIC MEETINGS: When not possible to conduct a meeting in person, the current and most common use of electronic communication system shall be determined by the Executive Director, with the approval of the Council Chairperson for the meeting. Notice of the meeting and codes required for entry into the meeting will be provided to all members of the Council of Governors by the Executive Director. All other Lions shall need to request the codes from the MD19 office.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by District Governor Cec Specht, 19-I and seconded by District Governor Stephen Staudinger, 19-G to approve the addition of Section 5, Electronic Meetings to Chapter 8 of the MD19 Policy Manual. Motion approved with 19 affirmative votes, no nays.

*District Governors Debbie Bostock, 19-D, Mike Lally, 19-B and Ken Liu, 19-A share what they have learned that they didn't know at this time last year.*

### **GLOBAL ACTION TEAM REPORTS**

The Global Action Team oral reports from the Leadership, Membership and Service Chairpersons have been recorded via Zoom and are available on the MD19 website under Administration.

*District Governors Frank Bega, 19-E, Pat Burch, 19-C and Patty Allen-White, 19-H share what they have learned that they didn't know at this time last year.*

The "Changing of the Guard" took place at this time with the District Governors Elect (2020-2021) taking the place of the 2019-2020 Past District Governors on the Council. At this time CCE Al Hedstrom read the Council Chairperson Oath of Office, with CC (soon to be PCC) JD Nellor pledging his support.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

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

#### **CARE Project for 2020-21**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by PDG Debbie Bostock, 19-D and seconded by District Governor Joe Nilles, 19-D to adopt the proposed Haiti Project: Community-Managed Girls' Learning Centers as the 2019-2020 MD19 CARE Project. Motion passed.

#### **2020-2021 MD19 BUDGET**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by PDG Cec Specht, 19-I and seconded by District Governor Peggy Harriman, 19-E to accept the proposed 2020-2021 MD19 Budget. Motion carried.

#### **2019-2020 MD19 Committee Chairpersons**

The following 2020-21 MD19 Committee Chairpersons and Other Appointees were brought before the Council for approval:

**Budget & Finance:** PDG Brien Patton (19-G); PZC George Sim (19-A), PCC Gary Lockert (19-B), PDG Bob Ayotte (19-D), PDG Bob Yeoman (19-E), PDG Carol Whitman (19-F), Gloria Hardan (19-H), PDG Mike Dukes (19-I) Committee Members. **C is currently empty.**

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

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

**CARE:** Patti Easterling (19-H) Canada; PDG Steve Patterson (19-G) USA

**Canadian Centennial:** PCC Polly Voon (19-A)

**Contests & Awards:** PZC Brian Morin, Chairperson (1<sup>st</sup> yr.); PZC Linda 'Lyn' McPhee (19-I) 2<sup>nd</sup> year; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Melissa Smith (19-F) 3<sup>rd</sup> year

#### **Conventions:**

**2020 Annual Convention:** Bob Elliot (19-D) Penticton, B.C. (now Cancelled)

**2021 International Convention:** PZC George Sim (19-A)

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

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

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

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

**Evaluation Committee:** PDG Rita Fok (19-A), Chairperson; PDG Monte Ward (19-G) 2<sup>nd</sup> year; PDG Brian Ross (19-E) 3<sup>rd</sup> year

**Governance Committee:** PDG Chuck Waid (19-C), Chairperson; PDG Cecil Fung (19-A) PCC John Kirry (19-C); PZC Mike Livingstone, (19-D); PCC Jon Whitman (19-F); PZC Ryan Morrison (19-G); PDG Patty Allen-White (19-H); PCC Larrie Taylor (19-I). **B and E empty**

**Information & Technology / Webmasters:** PCC J.D.' John' Nellor (19-G)

**International Relations / Participation:** PID Don Shove (19-H), Chairperson

**LCIF – B.C.:** VCC John Moralek, (19-H)

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

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

**LEO Clubs:** PDG Lyndon Harriman (19-E)

**Lioness:** PZC Linda Schaffrick (19-D)

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

**Memorial Garden:**

**Parliamentarian:** PCC JD 'John' Nellor (19-G)

**Strategic Planning:** Committee Members – PZC Ed Poquette, (19-B); PCC John Kirry, (19-C); PDG Shelley, (19-D); PCC Gary Reidel, (19-I)

**District Support Team:** VCC John Moralek, Facilitator

**Global Leadership Team:**

PDG Wanda Carisse (19-D), **Leadership**

Committee Members:

PDG Frank Bega (19-E);

PDG Lyndon Harriman (19-E)

PCC Hal Palmer (19-G), Facilitator Development Chairperson;

PDG Sharon Sikes (19-C);

**Global Membership:** Eric Miura (19-A)

**NAMI (North American Membership Initiative Champion):** PDG Mark Mansell (19-G)

**Global Service:** 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Ken Ball (19-H)

**Canadian LERC:** PZC Paul Hand (19-H)

**Youth Exchange:** ZC Tammy Allan (19-F)

**MOTION:** A motion was made by PDG Debbie Bostock, 19-D and seconded by District Governor Doug Harvey, 19-G to accept the 2020-2021 MD19 Committee appointments. Motion carried.

**Brought before the Council:** District Governor Steve Staudinger, 19-G announced there will be a new pin set design for 2021 and will be asking for approval from the Council for the pin to be the official MD19 trading pin for the Lions Clubs International Convention in Montreal.

PID Don Shove asked the incoming Governors to begin looking for their International Presidential and Leadership Award nominees.

**Meeting Adjourned at 2:30 PM**