

MINUTES OF THE MD19 SPRING COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS' MEETING

June 12, 2021

Zoom Meeting

The Council Meeting was called to order by Council Chairperson Al Hedstrom at 10:00 am. 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

Al Hedstrom, Council Chairperson
J.D. Nellor, Past Council Chairperson
John Moralek, Vice Council Chairperson
Allan Hunt, International Director
Peter Anderson, Executive Director
Hans Wong, District Governor 19-A
Vilma Fernandez, District Governor 19-B
Joe Nilles, District Governor 19-D
Peggy Harriman, District Governor 19-E
Ray Fujiura, District Governor 19-F
Doug Harvey, District Governor 19-G
Orson Christensen, District Governor 19-H
Jane Beddows, District Governor 19-I
Kenneth Liu, PDG 19-A
Michael Lally, PDG 19-B
Pat Burch, PDG 19-C
Debbie Bostock, PDG 19-D
Stephen Staudinger, PDG 19-G
Patty Allen-White, PDG 19-H
Cec Specht, PDG 19-I

II. MD19 Committee Chairperson's & Appointees

PDG Brien Patton, Budget & Finance
Patti Easterling, CARE (Canada)
PDG Steve Patterson, CARE (US)s
PCC Polly Voon, Canadian Centennial
PDG / DGE Tom Smarsh, Diabetes
PDG Steve Noble, Elections
Lion Nancy Messmer, Environment
PCC Enoch Rowland, Environment
PDG Chuck Waid, Governance
PZC George Sim, International Conv. 2021
PID Don Shove, International Relations
2nd VDG Debbie Mansell, Leader Dogs West
PDG Wanda Eddy, Leadership
PDG Cec Specht, LCIF BC
PDG Mark Mansell, LCIF US WEST / NAMI
VCCE Lyndon Harriman, LEO
Eric Miura, Membership
PCC J.D. Nellor, Parliamentarian / Webmaster
1st VDG Ken Ball, Service
PCC John Kirry, Strategic Planning
PID Anne Smarsh – USA / Canada Forum

III. Foundations & Societies

PZC Paul Hand, CLERC
PCC Jon Whitman, MD19 Lions FDN - Treasurer
PDG Jan Weatherly, NWLLI Superintendent 2021
Bill Lundin, Trustee Chair. NWLF

IV. Lions, Lioness, Leos and Guests

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| DGE Ken Ball | PDG Erma Kemp | ZCE Carolyn O'Dell |
| PCC Al Beddows | PCC Jim Kemp | PDG Janet Rinehart |
| DGE Lorne Bunyan | PDG Harry Lippincott | PID Roger Richert |
| 2 nd VDGE Leslie Chasse | DGE Syrus Lee | PDG Rosemary Richert |
| 2 nd VDGE Joel Haggan | DGE Luis Montes-Gonzales | DGE Melissa Smith |
| PZC Sharon Hansen | Roy Morris | DGE Joyce Stevens |
| Gloria Hardan | DGE Marilyn Patterson | 1 st VDGE Steven Wong |
| PZC Bob Johnson | | |

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Peggy Harriman, 19-E and seconded by District Governor Jane Beddows, 19-I accept as posted the Minutes of the MD19 Winter Council of Governors' Meeting, held via Zoom, February 6, 2021. Motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA REPORTS

CANADIAN CENTENNIEL REPORT by PCC Polly Voon, Chairperson:

"In Canada we have more than 33,000 Lions in more than 1500 clubs working hard to make our communities stronger by supporting our five global causes as well as local community activities and charities.

Lions Clubs first came to Canada in 1920 and we have been celebrating our Canadian 100th Anniversary which started July 1, 2019 (and ending on June 30th, 2021) with a variety of activities and events. They

include the planting of 100,000 trees across Canada, the creation of a Canadian Lions Centennial project in each community where Lions are present, issuance of a Lions 2020 Commemorative Pin, and the release of an electronic Lions 2020 E-Book.

One of the initiatives of the Canadian Centennial is the availability from Lions Clubs International of a matching grant in the amount of US\$5000 (approximately CA\$6500) to any Canadian District. The purpose of the grant is for promoting a service project which among others is for the purpose of publicity, marketing, communications and attracting membership. The qualifying criteria is the District raises CA\$6500 **OR** allocates the matching funds in the District Treasury for the Centennial Activities.

Of the five districts in MD19 which qualify to apply for this grant, District 19E is the only District that has applied at this time. Time is fast running out with the Canadian Centennial Celebrations ending on June 30, 2021. Please contact me immediately for a copy of the Application for Matching Grant Form which is very easy to complete."

DIABETES REPORT by DGE Tom Smarsh, Chairperson:

"Due to Covid19, the messages I have sent to all the Districts Diabetes Chairpersons have been tied to dealing with Diabetes amidst this pandemic.

Because of my bid to be the District Governor for 19-B, I am stepping down as the MD19 Diabetes Chairperson. Council Chairperson Elect John Moralek and I agreed that with all the responsibilities of a DG it would be best to pass the Diabetes Chairperson responsibilities to someone else. CCE John will announce a new Diabetes Chairperson at a later date."

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

"Multiple District leaders, please encourage your clubs to send in their budgeted contributions to Leader Dog for the Blind. Our MD19 donations are trending downward in comparison to our five-year donation history. Last year MD19 donated \$ 31,203.85 to Leader Dog, which was a decrease of over five thousand dollars from the previous year. On March 31, 2021 the end of the 3rd quarter of this Lions year, our multiple district donations totaled \$20,786.56. The year-end donations will be posted on the Leader Dog website at the end of June. Keep up the good work and keep supporting this organization founded by Lions over 80 years ago. Leader Dog relies heavily on the generous donations of Lions, at least 20% of their operating budget comes from Lions.

| MD19 Donations (7/20-12/20) | | 5-Year MD19 Donations | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| 19-A | \$0.00 | 2015-16 | \$26,225.30 |
| 19-B | \$2850.00 | 2016-17 | \$27,521.13 |
| 19-C | \$3901.00 | 2017-18 | \$40,916.82 |
| 19-D | \$350.00 | 2018-19 | \$36,497.16 |
| 19-E | \$2330.00 | 2019-20 | \$31,203.85 |
| 19-F | \$7889.00 | | |
| 19-G | \$2666.56 | | |
| 19-H | \$800.00 | | |
| 19-I | <u>\$0.00</u> | | |
| Total | \$27,786.56 | | |

LEO REPORT by PDG Lyndon Harriman, Chairperson:

"Covid19 has restricted my interaction with most of the MD's Leo clubs to the virtual realm. I sent numerous email messages to advisors and DGs regarding upcoming events. On March 25th, I virtually attended a Leo townhall presentation where the speakers were 2nd VP Brian Sheehan and 3rd VP Dr. Patti Hill.

On April 22nd, the MD hosted a discussion on local Leo activities. Ojas Chitnis, the Leo representative to the Board of Directors, representing CA 1, was also in attendance. Many interesting topics were discussed. Sadly, this discussion/ presentation was poorly attended.

On May 22, officer training was offered virtually and Leos throughout our district were invited to attend. The Leo Advisory Panel for Constitutional Area 1 held its virtual meeting on the same day. Ojas led the meeting for the Leos, also presenting were Lion Robert Wilby, Leo Analaura Gregorio, PCC Pam Graney and 32 additional panelists. Second VP Brain also spoke about the future of Leos. Some of the important information they presented were the following facts: 200 new Leo clubs were added worldwide; the Country of Somalia added its first Leo Club, and Leo's increased by 18% worldwide. Sadly CA 1 is down 36 Leo Clubs for the year - a sobering statistic. On a lighter note, at the end of the panel, Ojas hosted an online quiz which yours truly won, continuing to uphold MD19's reputation for excellence.

Thank you all for allowing me to serve the MD."

LIONESS REPORT by Linda Schaffrick, Chairperson:

"There are still eight Lioness clubs in MD19. Again, there are a couple of clubs that I have not heard from and I am assuming they still are in existence.

This report is for 4 months (February, 2021 – May, 2021)

Things are still slower for the clubs with many clubs not holding regular meetings due to restrictions. Some clubs have held a couple of Zoom meetings while other clubs have managed by keeping in touch with emails or phone calls. The Lioness have missed being able to get out and do all the projects they usually do. The clubs that are still remaining are busy dispersing with the paraphernalia/history books etc. and preparing to finish at the end of June.

A brief overview of the some of the activity's clubs have been able to do: Continue to check on other members, neighbors and seniors and picking up groceries for seniors unable to go out. Other events and [projects include the Food Bank, Freedom's door, friends of the Library, Spaceburger sales as well as Lions park clean-up for Environment day, helping with spring clean-up a Camp Winfield and a Hot dog BBQ. The Lioness have still been able to put in many hours.

Donations were made to: Lions Foundation of Canada; B.C. Lions Society; Youth Dynamics; Graduation; Richmond Center for Disabilities: "Pay-it-forward" to a restaurant that does meals for people who cannot afford them. Food bank; Star fish back pack program for school children

Donations: \$5400.00 for this report

Moses Lake Lioness have received their charter and are now Moses Lake Lioness Lions. Congratulations gals!

We serve Too (for a little while longer)

At this time, I would like to thank all the Council Chairpersons that have asked me to serve as the Lioness Liaison - it has been very interesting to hear what all the clubs have accomplished."

LCIF – CANADA REPORT by PDG Cec Specht, Chairperson:

"This fiscal year has not been as productive as I had hoped for. Unfortunately, due to the restrictions put on Clubs by COVID19. Many Clubs lacked the resources to fund raise and many never even met for the better part of the year.

Historically, several Clubs contribute during the month of June, especially if they have excess funds to spend. I am hoping this will be the case again this year.

As of April 30, 2021, 53 % of the Canadian Clubs in MD19 have contributed this year so far for a total of \$127,761.00.

Hopefully things will improve in the Next Lions year and we will finish Campaign 100 off with a bang."

LCIF – EAST REPORT by PDG Bob Yeoman, Chairperson:

“With the end of Campaign 100 (our final year) I am encouraged that Covid19 lowering of restrictions is allowing clubs to start meeting again. The Covid19 pandemic had prevented clubs from meeting and raising funds to support LCIF although some clubs did learn to online fundraisers.

Spokane Shadle North Lions had an on-line fundraiser with Terri Lynn candies in the fall. Surprisingly we continue to receive small checks almost monthly as people are purchasing regularly on line. Extremely pleased with how many members have continued or started to make personal donations in an effort to support our flagship foundation. I am seeing automatic monthly donations to from some members while others give \$1000.00 each year. Thank you to all members who are supporting LCIF.

Entering our final year of Campaign 100, I encourage all clubs to include LCIF in their annual budget. Over the year's clubs have indicated they do not have a budget which does not allow for planned expenses. Important to have a budget with LCIF included. Also, I want to encourage all clubs to have a LCIF club coordinator. This individual can keep the club aware of ongoing events to help support LCIF. Recent examples would be Melvin Jones 142nd Birthday, our first ever Tell a Thon that raised over one million dollars. Having a coordinator in the club would help insure that clubs are aware of such important events. Past District Governor Steve Noble from the Yakima Lions has accepted the District Coordinator position for District F. Welcome Steve and thank you for stepping up to support LCIF.

In closing I want to encourage all clubs and members to support LCIF during this final year of Campaign 100. Thank you, and let's finish strong.”

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

“**Lions Quest is being promoted in BC in the following way throughout our MD:**

Generally:

- ❖ All programs are virtual and there are exciting new workshops or restructured workshops coming up, which can be seen on the Web Site. www.lionsquest.ca
- ❖ The school based virtual workshop for educators has been very successful and has received excellent reviews.

19-I – PZC Michael Stanford, Lions Quest Chairperson:

- Getting closer to being able to apply for a \$25,000.00 USD Lions Quest District Grant.

19-D – PDG Norma Bent Lions Quest Chairperson:

- Williams Lake and Armstrong Lions interested in Lions Quest programs.
- Williams Lake Lions have a couple of teachers interested in the programs and they will be sponsored by our District.
- As the district D and MD19 Chairperson I attended all Lions Quest chairperson conversations by Zoom.

19-A – PZC Vivian Lo – Lions Quest Chairperson, no report.

19-H – Lion Nathan Martyn, Lions Quest Chairperson, no report.

19-E – no Lions Quest Chairperson at this time.

MD19 MEMORIAL GARDEN REPORT by Julie Bell:

“Thank you very much for letting me take on the role of 19 Memorial Garden Chairperson. I look forward to working on this creative, meaningful, and challenging project.

First, a quick update on what's been happening in the garden this spring. First off, Peter and Michele have been kindly showing me the ropes and sharing the expectations of this position. They are wonderful mentors.

We have already had two work parties, starting a month earlier than usual in hopes to get a jump on weed control which, I believe, is our most pressing issue. Sadly, we have had small turn outs so far with nine volunteers at the April work party and only four attending in May.

However, some volunteers are coming regularly to work in the garden outside of the scheduled second Saturday work parties. PZC Rock White has taken over lawn mowing duties this year. PDG Patty Allen-White can often be found out tending to the areas that visitors see as they first pull into the drive. Gloria Hardan spends a few days in early spring pruning and caring for our rose bushes, all 25 of them! And new plants and a cherry tree have already been added this season.

The overwhelming weed problem is being addressed. As small spaces are being weeded by hand each week, a layer of cardboard and mulch (we had eight yards delivered) is being put down in the hopes of suppressing future weeds. But with a limited number of volunteers on this project the weeds are already growing and reseeding themselves faster than we can currently clear them out. This is not just a matter of the aesthetics of an unkept garden, this could become a devastating problem. I have already found one plant that had been choked out by weeds and died. I am worried that there could be more. Each plant represents a fellow Lion and they will have to be replaced.

To that end, a campaign has been started by District Governor Elect Ken Ball to raise funds to hire a yard maintenance company to come in and deftly remove the weeds in a proactive and non-chemical way. Then the garden volunteers can take over upkeep weeding and move on to other vital garden task, such as identifying and tending to sick and damaged plants, tree and shrub trimming, and make space and installing new memorial plants.

We are currently obtaining bids from local companies and are asking for help from all the clubs, by either coming to the garden and lending a hand or by giving to the clean-up campaign. We understand that there many reasons why the Memorial Garden is seeing less volunteers, not the least of which is the closed border, but we simply need to tackle this problem quickly. Honestly, I just need help and I'm happy to take either the brawn or the bucks from my fellow lions!

Finally, I would like to tell you about a long-term project we have begun working on recently. In a nutshell, we are creating a comprehensive map of the garden, which we have already divided up into distinct 'areas', that we could eventually share with garden visitors so they can locate quickly the exact bush or tree planted in honor of the specific Lion that they are looking for. This information could eventually be posted online in some format so that Lions and their loved ones can view the information and parts of our beautiful garden without having to travel long distances.

In addition to trying to identify and map out all the plants within the garden areas we are building an accompanying notebook or log that can be used to take notes about each of the plants. This will be a helpful tool to track the health of plants, when and how often they need special care or feeding throughout the year, when they needed to be replaced, and the like. All this information can then be saved and passed along over time to any and all new volunteers, saving them time and energy."

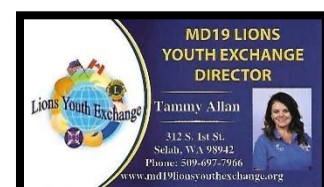
YOUTH EXCHANGE REPORT by Tammy Allan, Chairperson:

"February 10, 2021, I held a zoom training for the District Youth Exchange Chairpersons. Sadly, it wasn't well attended, but for those who did attend, we went through the Lions Exchange program, camps, insurance and how to complete applications for host families and students.

May 25, 2021, we had seven of us get together and take a look at Camp Horizon in Birch Bay, WA, as a possible camp to house our very own, MD19 Lions Youth Exchange Camp in late July or early August 2022. We obviously are still in the planning stages, but we definitely have some enthusiastic chairpersons who are behind getting a camp going for our Multiple District. There will be more to follow on that as it develops.

For now, camps and youth host exchange around the world have been put on hold for the majority of the countries involved until vaccines have been distributed enough to safely open.

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MD19 FOUNDATION REPORTS

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

"Council Chairperson Al, Fellow Council Members, Lions, Leos, and Guests, greetings.

I think we can see the light at the end of the tunnel and although COVID19 is in control, we should be getting back to our projects the way we used to do.

We are still providing hearing aids to deserving clients even though Lions Clubs have Zoom meetings.

We have a great awards program for worthy 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 or Bob Jones at lions.bc.hearing@gmail.com

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

NORTHWEST LIONS FOUNDATION REPORT by Bill Lundin, Trustee Chairperson:

"Much of this brief quarterly report will reflect the unusual events and activities resulting from the COVID-19 restrictions for both The Northwest Lions Foundation (NLF) and SightLife.

As we reported in our earlier reports, COVID restrictions have prohibited us from doing direct school screening, as well as limited public screenings. Our teams have found a few successful work arounds like loaning equipment and training school staff to do very limited screenings in mostly private schools. We are pleased to report that our new LHSU driver Skip Laney has moved the LHSU to a secure place in Wenatchee.

The Project Support Grants sub-committee has reviewed and approved seven grants. These grants were in smaller amounts than in previous years.

The one major program that has not been limited by COVID has been the low-income hearing aid program. We have processed and delivered about 20 units per month. We want to thank Marsha Rastatter, our Lions Program Coordinator, for her outstanding work during this first quarter.

The COVID Virus has also been a great challenge to SightLife and the entire eye banking field in America. SightLife's numbers for the first quarter of 2021 are better than expected, but far less than the pre-COVID period.

SightLife's leadership team has taken steps to offset these reductions. We are slowly working our way back in America. The international situation is very difficult, especially in India.

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 The Foundation thru this difficult period."

MD19 CONVENTION REPORTS

LCI CONVENTION REPORT by PZC George Sim, Chairperson:

"As reported in January, we will not be going to Montreal in June but will be attending the virtual event instead.

Here is what we know at the moment:

- The convention is scheduled for June 25 - 29, 2021.
- The registration fee for Lions is now US\$75. The registration fee for Leos is US\$30.
- Lions who registered for the Montreal Convention should have received a refund by now and a confirmation of your virtual ticket.

- Executive officer and international director **elections** will be conducted electronically.
- Go to the LCICon website to see the Event Schedule which includes: Plenary Sessions, Voting, Virtual Parade of Nations, Exhibit Hall, Lions Shop, Seminars, Service Project, Networking Halls, and our Keynote speaker, Malala Yousafzai.

Check the LCI convention website, LCICon, for convention updates and more details as they become available.

Also, 'Like' our Facebook page....'MD19 Visits Montreal' to see updates, etc."

USA / CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM REPORT by PID Anne Smarsh, Chairperson:
The USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP IS A 'GO' FOR SEPTEMBER 9-11, 2021

ON-SITE IN DES MOINES, IOWA

REGISTRATION \$285 THROUGH MAY 31. \$320 JUNE 1 FORWARD.

Highlights:

Strides Walk for Diabetes Thursday noon. Profits to Camp Hertko Hollow.

Opening night -- FUN -- Thursday night

Over 80 seminar sessions in which to participate (leadership, service, virtual learning, membership, LCIF and more)

Networking with Lions from across Canada, U.S. and even other countries

Campgrounds available, too

FUN, FUN, FUN

Register now www.lionsforum.org "



MOTION: A motion was made by PDG Debbie Bostock, 19-D and seconded by District Governor Orson Christensen, 19-H to accept the Consent Agenda Reports. Motion approved.

PDG Steve Noble, from 19-F and PDG Mark Mansell, from 19-G announced they are both running for Vice Council Chairperson, 2022-2023.

REPORTS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

CARE REPORT by Patti Easterling and PDG Steve Patterson, Chairpersons:

"Patti Easterling – CARE Canada:

We have almost completed our first year of raising monies for our Haiti Project. As you know, with our CARE projects, we raise money the year before we start the project. This way they have money to start the project. Funds are low this year and we have just a matter of weeks to push our clubs to send in their donations.

We are finishing up our Honduras Project, which, due to Covid19 we had to change the plan a bit and divert some of the funds to help buy food for those in the Dry Corridor.

PCC JD Nellor posted a video, sent by Dana Tseng (CARE Rep. in Seattle) on our website of some of the food deliveries. I hope, if you haven't seen it, you will watch it and suggest CARE to your clubs.

PDG Steve Patterson – US CARE:

So far, the fundraising efforts have reached over 21,000.00 dollars US, as we continue to ask clubs to consider donating for this worthy project to assist young girls in Haiti get a basic education.

Our next effort will be a push to have clubs set aside funds in their budgets as we fight to regain some sense of normalcy as we transition away from zoom meetings to in-person meetings. We will not rest until we meet our goals.”

ENVIRONMENT REPORT by Nancy Messmer, Chairperson:

“Sustainably protect and restore our environment to improve the well-being of all communities.”

The 2020-2021 Lions Year has been a challenging time for all of us. The Environment Chairpersons worked to meet the challenges of the pandemic and climate crises. This Lions Year, 2020-2021, six Lions served as the Multiple District 19 Environment Co-Chairpersons and worked closely with the Environment Chairpersons for each District. This makes an Environment Team of 14, that meet monthly on GoToMeeting/Zoom, hosted by Council Chairperson Al Hedstrom and Lion Nancy Messmer.

This team consists of the following: 19-A Eric Miura, Karen Poon and Alvina Seid; 19-B PCC Enoch Rowland; 19-C PZC Bob Johnson and James Reddick; 19-D ZC Angus Benedick; 19-E PDG Kim DiRienz; 19-F PZC Judy Riggers; 19-G Doug Wilson; 19-H PZCs Jones Atterbury and Lynda Davidson and in 19-I, Nancy Messmer and 1st VDGE Lia Marie Versaevel.

Connections: Connecting is a theme of our work and is the key to increased service and effectiveness. Making connections in our communities and across our whole Multiple District 19 (British Columbia, Washington, N. Idaho) requires new thinking and skills. The Environment Chairpersons are reaching out to Lions in the Clubs and Districts, linking people and projects, problem-solving our way through the actions needed to serve our communities. We use telephone calls, email, websites, Facebook, YouTube, Lion channels, and all of the ways we can brainstorm to stay connected.

Conventions Spring 2021: We Lions are learning to conference in the virtual world. We are a group that is learning as we go, treating each other kindly as we learn new ways to communicate and solve technical difficulties together. While we missed seeing each other in person, the Virtual and Hybrid Conventions were ambitious, friendly, inspirational and informative. We saw more service projects featured, we heard from an array of speakers from around the world, we inspired each other and we had fun! Environment Chairpersons served as MC (Jones), gave presentations (Eric, Nancy, Karen, Bob, Kim) and helped out.

District Newsletters: Most District Governors included Environment Service Updates in their newsletters. Environment Chairpersons submitted monthly articles with information specific to the district and including information from around MD19. The team works from a growing Dropbox of shared information so that we can share ideas around the Multiple District. Alvina Seid and Karen Poon write Environmental Tips monthly. Angus Benedict writes monthly about re-using, recycling and re-purposing items. Bob Johnson summarizes District environmental activity in his columns. We gather information from the LCI website. We hope to connect efforts in one district with efforts in others.

MD 19 Environment Service Project Survey: We wondered what projects Lions are doing. We also wanted to know what Lions personally would like to work on. In April, we sent a survey to all of the Lions in MD19 with an email address (about 7000 delivered). We had two main goals: to have Lions consider many kinds of environmental service projects underway in our MD, and tell us if they are interested. We hoped to inspire Lions by presenting them with lots of good projects. We even sent a 5- minute video along with the survey showing Lions doing many of the projects. Second, this was a communications experiment to see if we can actually reach all of the Lions by email and invite them to open and take a survey.

Eric Miura and Tania Newman of the Lynn Valley Lions (and the Covid19 Campaign) entered the questions into a survey program, and mailed it out. They produced reports of the data as did Council Chairperson Al Hedstrom as he analyzed the Excel spreadsheet produced by the survey program, JotForm. Mail Chimp, the mailing program tells us that almost 7,000 of the survey emails were delivered to email boxes. 365 Lions submitted surveys.

Some initial takeaways are that the top five projects that Lions report being interested in are 1. Collect/Re-distribute/Re-use Eyeglasses and/or Hearing Aids, 2. Assist Food Redistribution Efforts (From Farm to Town, Schools/Restaurants, Food Banks, etc.), 3. Host Civic Clean-ups (Roadways, City-wide, Library, Post Office, Train Station, etc.), 4. Clean-up Natural Areas (Beaches, Waterways, Parks, Trails, and 5. Collect/Recycle Glass, Aluminum, Metal, Paper etc.

The work team (Bob, James, Al, Nancy) will prepare a report of results. The Environment Team for the 2020-2021 Lions Year will produce information for Lions Clubs, featuring examples and contact for projects in these categories and others.

Dr. Nancy Messmer representing the MD 19 Environment Team. able@olyphen.com. 360.963.2442”

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT by PCC John Kirry, Chairperson:

“The mission of the MD19 Strategic Planning Committee is to look beyond the immediate horizon and anticipate variables and future directions of our Multiple District. From that analysis, we can recommend new goals and develop appropriate plans to achieve those goals.

At the beginning of his term, Council Chairperson Al Hedstrom charged the Strategic Planning Committee to conduct an overview of redistricting, analyze its impact on the Multiple District and recommend courses of action to the Council. We formed as a small committee then expanded to include a representative from each of our nine districts.

While we initially used redistricting as a foundation of our discussions, it became apparent that significant membership losses and leadership issues were also troubling trends that needed to be addressed. In the end, our team looked at all these orbiting issues and determined that redistricting has the potential to positively impact membership and leadership issues.

The Strategic Planning Committee has concluded that MD19 is rapidly approaching a critical point in its history that, absent a significant reversal of membership and leadership trends, redistricting will be the only option remaining for MD19 to effectively continue serving its Lions. As result, the committee feels it would be remiss to simply kick the problems, and the viable solutions to those problems, down the road.

Simply put, the time has come to face a very real possibility that redistricting MD19 will be necessary. Therefore, this report focuses on what redistricting would look like in MD19.

The Committee

Listed here are the members and ex-Officio members of the committee, a broad cross- section of senior leaders from each district in MD19:

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| ID Allan Hunt | PDG Shelley Costello |
| CC Al Hedstrom | PDG Cecil Fung |
| CCE John Moralek | PDG Steve Noble |
| VCCE Lyndon Harriman | PDG Brien Patton |
| PCC John Kirry | PDG Chuck Waid |
| PCC JD Nellor | PZC Ed Poquette* |
| PCC Gary Reidel | ED Peter Anderson |

*Note: Ed Poquette has stepped down and we will be adding DGE Tom Smarsh, from 19-B as we go forward.

The Crisis we Face

Throughout this year the Committee has watched with growing alarm as membership numbers across the Multiple District continue to plummet. To illustrate the decline, one can look back just 25 years, when our Multiple District peaked at slightly under 20,000 members. Since that time, our membership has declined steadily and dramatically. In the past five years, for example, we have lost approximately 400 members per year.

We now stand at just under 10,000 members in 391 clubs across our Multiple District. All but one of the nine Districts is in 'transitional' status (fewer than 1250 members). If that trend continues another five years, we will be nearing 8000 members. In ten years at that same rate we will be at 6000 members. A consequence of membership losses is a developing, acute leadership vacuum in the districts which exacerbates a vicious circle as the districts struggle to find effective leaders who are equipped to address their district's membership and leadership issues. We must act to mitigate this looming crisis.

Guidance from LCI

The process of consolidating or redistricting, terms which LCI uses interchangeably, is complex and time consuming. Our group started with a tentative discussion of redistricting using a 2016 PDF manual created by LCI entitled "Guide for Consolidating Districts," This guide lays out the complex three-year process.

Of great value were the opening paragraphs of that publication which clearly described the reasons for redistricting. I quote here the opening paragraphs of the LCI manual:

WHY CONSOLIDATE SMALL DISTRICTS?

'While the ideal size for a district has been debated, there is little doubt that a district should be large enough to have a sufficient pool of trained, qualified district leaders, a well-attended and meaningful district convention and ample resources to support club development.

While membership growth should always be a part of the plan, redistricting can infuse the district with a mix of new leaders who can look at district activities in a new way, combine resources to more effectively meet the needs of the clubs and even reduce the dues for each member as expenses are shared over a larger population of Lions. (ED Note: this sentence is meant for districts that have annual dues requirements)

Redistricting, when done well, can strengthen the district and stimulate membership growth, enhancing the districts' ability to provide needed humanitarian service.

However, to be successful, it takes a thorough understanding of the unique challenges and opportunities of each district and a detailed plan to ensure the new structure effectively addresses the needs of the clubs. This guide was designed to provide a process to identify opportunities, determine new territories, and establish goals with a plan for implementation.'

A Plan of Action

It has been said, 'You only have a problem if you don't have a plan.' The Council should know that we have considered a lot of 'what-if's' before offering the following, tentative redistricting plan. Let's be prepared to redistrict MD19 if the trend described above is not immediately resolved.

The Committee envisions that MD would undergo consolidation of the nine existing districts into five districts, primarily based on merging adjacent districts rather than completely redrawing district lines. Merging certain zones into adjacent districts would make districts larger thereby increasing the overall leadership pool to the benefit our humanitarian mission. All districts in the draft plan would meet the LCI requirements of having at least 35 clubs and 1250 Members.

The following is the tentative plan as drafted by committee member PDG Chuck Waid. It has been thoroughly discussed and the general concept has been approved by the members of the committee. We recognize that other adjustments may be needed as the plan further evolves and develops.

The overall tentative plan is:

1. Districts I and A would **Merge** to form a single district.
2. Districts C and G would **Merge** to form a single district.
3. Districts B and H would **Merge** to form a single district.
4. Districts D, E and F would be realigned. District D would be divided at the US-Canada border and the lower half would merge with some portions of E and F. The upper half (Canadian) portion of the current

District D would join ranks with the Washington/Idaho/ Canadian upper half of District E to form a new district.

5. District E would be divided just above Spokane. The resulting northern portion of E and the northern portion of D would combine to create a new international district.
6. The southern portions of D, E and F would merge to create a district made up of eastern Washington and northern Idaho.

Resultant members and clubs, if the above plan is implemented based on current membership (all above LCI requirements of 1250/35)

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|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Merged Districts I and A: | 2212 members, 97 clubs |
| Merged Districts B and H: | 2035 members, 76 clubs |
| Merged Districts C and G: | 2408 members, 82 clubs |
| Merged Districts D and E (north) | 1494 members, 75 clubs |
| Merged Districts D, E and F (south) | 1861 members, 70 clubs |

Critical Timelines

There are many administrative timelines to redistricting. Here are some considerations:

1. Each district must approve a redistricting plan at their annual convention or hold a special convention to approve this (or any) redistricting plan.
2. The MD must approve the overall plan at its annual convention.
3. A redistricting plan must be presented to clubs 60 days before their district conventions or any special conventions, and the district must approve the redistricting plan by majority vote.
4. If approved by the districts and the MD, a redistricting plan must be approved by the LCI Board at their annual October meeting. An approved redistricting plan must be sent to LCI at least 60 days before its annual October meeting.

So, given this jumble of conflicting timelines, the theoretical *earliest* MD19 could get administrative approval for a redistricting plan from LCI would be October 2022. The practical timeline pushes the earliest approval from LCI another year out. Here are some details:

- Districts must send the plan to their clubs 60 days before voting on the plan at a special convention using online/email voting.
- The MD must approve the plan at their annual convention or by special convention. Currently the MD plans to hold a virtual convention in November, 2021.
- The LCI Board must receive the District/Multiple District approved plan 60 days before their annual October Meeting. This means a plan could not be voted on by the LCI board until its regular meeting in October, 2022.
- Once LCI approval is granted, a redistricting plan would be effective at the close of that meeting, but complete execution could take another year after approval.
- Primary to the plan is an emphasis on electing DG's and VDG's that would be merged in an effort to have no loss of leadership going forward.

Special Considerations

1. Since all districts and their leadership pool would be increased by the consolidation plan outlined above, it is highly recommended that districts adopt a shared method of visitation. That is, visitations would need to be shared by the DG, 1VDG and 2VDG on some form of a rotating basis. All visitations need to carry the DG message to the clubs. This rotational plan concept was embraced by LCI several years ago but has not been universally adopted by districts.
2. The southern portions of Districts D, E and F merged together would be a big territory for the new DG team. While all of their members will be in eastern Washington and Northern Idaho, the sharing of visitation responsibilities would become a necessity. The committee will form a subgroup of the committee representatives of D-E-F to look at ways of expanding leadership roles to mitigate the large distances involved in a redistricting plan such as is set forth above. This is applicable to the other merged districts as well.

Summary

The Multiple District Council of Governors must consider this matter with urgency. The steady and dramatic decline of members, has become a serious problem. As districts shrink, fresh leadership, new ideas and creative energies also shrink. It has been the Committee's hope that membership initiatives would reverse current trends, but the results of those programs have yielded little success in MD19. It is clear, however, that we can no longer continue 'business as usual.' The options are: reverse the membership losses in each district, build effective and continuous leadership chains in each district, or redistrict the MD. There are no other options.

By consolidating districts, we can, to paraphrase the words of LCI, 'infuse the district with a mix of new leaders who can look at district activities in a new way and combine resources to more effectively meet the needs of the clubs.'

Undertaking the above or any path toward redistricting MD19 is not a panacea. However, the Strategic Planning Committee urges the Council to consider redistricting as a most critical and urgent matter."

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Peggy Harriman, 19-E and seconded by District Governor Jane Beddows, 19-I that the Council of Governors establish a select working group to finalize and implement the redistricting of MD19. Motion approved.

The Strategic Planning Committee will be tasked to create the documents that will be given to educate the DG's and clubs to promote this important plan. District Governors will then take this message to the Zones and Clubs. (A "road map" and several pages of Frequently Asked Questions will be produced by PCCs JD Nellor and John Kirry, and these will be presented via Zoom to the DG's on August 4).

NORTHWEST LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE REPORT by PDG Jan Weatherly, Superintendent:

"The originally scheduled 2020 Institute was finally held June 3-6, 2021, in Post Falls, Idaho. Thirty-four Lions from Washington, Idaho and Utah attended the packed schedule of classes and coaching sessions from 3PM on June 3rd to 10AM on June 6th. Evaluations from the participants enthusiastically rated the faculty, location, and organization process with high marks. These new graduates will be ambassadors to promote the 2022 Institute in Canada and be ready to step into leadership positions over the next few years.

The students represented the following districts

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| District A Not able to attend | District F – 4 students |
| District B - 2 students | District G – 7 students |
| District C -10 students | District H – 3 students |
| District D – 2 students | District I – 1 student |
| District E – 4 students | Utah – 1 student |

The faculty and staff worked together for over two years to bring this Institute for the US students to fruition. Because the border remained closed the 20 registered Canadian students could not attend. A 2022 Institute is tentatively planned for May 5-8, 2022, at Harrison Hot Springs, British Columbia.

High praise to the staff and faculty for the fortitude to press on through the past two years to bring this Institute to a reality for our future leaders. Our Canadian faculty and staff will join the US staffing in 2022.

Superintendent: PDG Jan Weatherly
Assistant Superintendent: PDG Laura Wintersteen-Arleth
Registrar/Treasurer: PZC Art Weatherly
Faculty: CC Al Hedstrom; PDG Mark Mansell; 1VDGE Debbie Mansell and PDG Wanda Eddy
Coaches: VCCE Lyndon Harriman; DGE Mel Smith and DG Jane Beddows

Enrollment in the 2022 Institute depends on promotion to our current Lions throughout MD19. We need you to plant the seed of confidence and encouragement in those Lions with the talent to be our future leaders. Promotional materials will be coming out shortly."

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS / PARTICPATION REPORT by PID Don Shove, Chairperson:

“Dear Lion Leader,

We reached out to you in March to share an updated dues adjustment model that was scheduled to be voted on at our 2021 international convention. Although this resolution was designed to strengthen the future of Lions, the pandemic has continued to take its toll on our Lions, our communities and our world today.

After careful consideration, **the International Board of Directors has taken action to remove the resolution from the ballot this year and to move the vote on the dues adjustment resolution to our 2022 international convention**, with the increase to be effective in July 2023 if passed.

We believe that the dues adjustment resolution is the right investment in the future of Lions, but we also realize that our greatest priority is helping our clubs and members make it through one of the greatest challenges of our time.

I want to personally thank you all for your tremendous support, and for everything you're doing to protect the health and well-being of our Lions and our communities.

Regards,
 Dr. Jung-Yul Choi
 International President”

District Governors Ray Fujiura, 19F, Doug Hall, 19-G and Jane Beddows, 19-I shared a bright spot that occurred during the year of Covid19.

MD19 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT by PDG Brien Patton, Chairperson:

“The Budget and Finance committee met via Zoom on May 20th to prepare a budget for the Lions year 2021-2022. The budget that we are presenting is a balanced budget. The budget is similar to last years. Income for next year is projected to be \$25,000 less than the previous budget based off the drops in membership. The collection of dues will also affect the Budget.

One expense we no longer have is the car as it is now paid off. We budgeted Zone Chairperson expenses based off of what we know about Covid19 and how it may affect us for next year. The rest of the Expenses are close to last year.

An item that is not in this Budget is money for the MD19 Band. The committee felt that direction from the Council of Governors is needed to add this to the budget.

I would like to thank the committee for all their hard work on the budget.

| 2021-2022 Budget with April 30, 2021 Membership | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-------------|
| Income | | Actual | | | | | | Membership |
| MD19 dues, \$24.60 | 7/1/2021 | 5/5/2021 | 4/30/21 | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 | 7/10/21 |
| MD19 Dues | Members | Members | % Dues Pd | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget | Minus 10% |
| District A | 1107 | 1056 | 75% | \$1634 | \$1169 | \$(465) | \$1471 | 996 |
| District B | 679 | 632 | 83% | \$1002 | \$832 | \$(170) | \$902 | 611 |
| District C | 1245 | 1215 | 84% | \$1838 | \$1544 | \$(294) | \$1654 | 1121 |
| District D | 1099 | 1073 | 87% | \$1622 | \$1411 | \$(211) | \$1460 | 989 |
| District E | 1247 | 1192 | 100% | \$1841 | \$1852 | \$11 | \$1657 | 1122 |
| District F | 1159 | 1097 | 84% | \$1711 | \$1381 | \$(330) | \$1540 | 1043 |
| District G | 1229 | 1193 | 79% | \$1814 | \$1433 | \$(381) | \$1633 | 1106 |
| District H | 1432 | 1404 | 91% | \$2114 | \$1924 | \$(190) | \$1902 | 1289 |
| District I | 1224 | 1257 | 86% | \$1807 | \$1608 | \$(199) | \$1626 | 1102 |
| Totals | 10,421 | 10,019 | 85.44% | | | | | 9379 |
| MD19 Operations Account – 89% | | | | \$228,157 | \$196,215 | \$ - | \$205,342 | \$ - |
| District Budgeted 6% from above | | | | \$15,381 | \$13,154 | \$ - | \$13,843 | \$ - |
| MD19 Convention Reserve-3% | | | | \$7691 | \$5,289 | \$ - | \$6922 | \$ - |
| MD19 Reserve Account – 1% | | | | \$2564 | \$3,236 | \$ - | \$2307 | \$ - |

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|--|--|------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|
| MD19 Building Reserve Account – 1% | | \$2564 | \$3236 | \$ - | \$2307 | \$ - |
| Total Dues Income (gross) | | \$256,357 | \$221,130 | \$(35,226) | \$230,721 | \$ - |
| | | | | | | |
| | | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 | |
| MD19 Other Income | | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget | |
| Annual Convention | | \$5000 | \$6819 | \$1819 | \$6500 | |
| District Budget Support | | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| Grant Audio Visual Equipment (Foundation) | | \$2000 | \$ - | \$(2000) | \$2000 | |
| Border Crossing Editor Grant (Foundation) | | \$2000 | \$2000 | \$ - | \$2000 | |
| District & Zone Officer School Grant (LCI) | | \$1525 | \$ - | \$(1525) | \$1500 | |
| District & Zone Officer School Grant (MD19 Foundation) | | \$8000 | \$ - | \$(8000) | \$8000 | |
| MD19 Band (Foundation Grant) | | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| MD19 District Support Team Grant (Foundation) | | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| Credit Card 3% Fee | | \$20 | \$4 | \$(16) | \$10 | |
| Building & Grounds Improvements | | \$250 | \$200 | \$(50) | \$200 | |
| Building-Memorial Garden | | \$1500 | \$2385 | \$885 | \$2000 | |
| International Convention | | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| New Club Paraphernalia | | \$825 | \$505 | \$(320) | \$500 | |
| CoG | | \$100 | \$16 | \$(84) | \$30 | |
| Postage Recovered | | \$100 | \$271 | \$171 | \$225 | |
| Printing Recovered | | \$100 | \$120 | \$20 | \$100 | |
| Sales –Award Banner Patches | | \$75 | \$53 | \$(22) | \$50 | |
| Sales - Other | | \$600 | \$173 | \$(427) | \$200 | |
| Pins – Sales Income | | \$100 | \$6 | \$(94) | \$10 | |
| Uniforms – Sales Income | | \$1800 | \$2284 | \$484 | \$1800 | |
| Roster / C&A Sales | | \$200 | \$102 | \$(98) | \$100 | |
| Roster / C&A Advertising | | \$525 | \$873 | \$348 | \$875 | |
| Bulletin Subscriptions | | \$150 | \$84 | \$(66) | \$84 | |
| Lioness - Awards | | \$115 | \$19 | \$(96) | \$ - | |
| Lioness-Roster | | \$125 | \$37 | \$(88) | \$ - | |
| Miscellaneous Income | | \$50 | \$29 | \$(21) | \$30 | |
| Fundraising – MD19 General Fund | | \$50 | \$ - | \$(50) | \$50 | |
| Exchange Income (Information Only) | | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| Interest Income | | \$50 | \$6 | \$(44) | \$ - | |
| Membership / Rebuilding Clubs | | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| Total MD19 Other Income | | \$25,260 | \$15,986 | \$(9,274) | \$26,274 | |
| Total MD19 Income | | \$281,617 | \$237,116 | \$(44,500) | \$256,995 | |
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| EXPENSE | | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 | |
| District Ops Accounts 1/31/21 | | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget | |
| District A | | \$1634 | \$540 | \$1094 | \$1471 | |
| District B | | \$1002 | \$235 | \$767 | \$902 | |
| District C | | \$1838 | \$227 | \$1611 | \$1654 | |
| District D | | \$1622 | \$1038 | \$584 | \$1460 | |
| District E | | \$1841 | \$887 | \$954 | \$1657 | |
| District F | | \$1711 | \$542 | \$1169 | \$1540 | |
| District G | | \$1814 | \$337 | \$1477 | \$1633 | |
| District H | | \$2114 | \$565 | \$1549 | \$1902 | |
| District I | | \$1807 | \$129 | \$1678 | \$1626 | |
| Total District Operations Account | | \$15,381 | \$4500 | \$10,881 | \$13,843 | |
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| | | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 | |
| International Convention Forum / Director | | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget | |
| Council Chairperson – India | | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| Council Chairperson Elect (Seated VCC), July 2022 | | \$400 | \$ - | \$400 | \$600 | India 7/22 |
| Convention Chairperson, July 2022 | | \$400 | \$ - | \$400 | \$600 | India 7/22 |
| Int'l Convention Exp. (Hosp. Rm), July 2022 | | \$500 | \$ - | \$500 | \$500 | India 7/22 |
| VCC to USA / Canada Forum | | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| 1 st VDG to USA / Canada Forum, Sept. 2021 | | \$2700 | \$ - | \$2700 | \$2700 | \$2700 Max |
| Total Int'l Convention/Forum/Director | | \$4000 | \$ - | \$4000 | \$4400 | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 | |
| Capital Outlay | | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget | |
| Office Equipment | | \$200 | \$149 | \$51 | \$200 | |
| Copier Lease (Konica & Phone System) | | \$4525 | \$4112 | \$413 | \$4525 | |
| Vehicle Purchase Contract (\$300 p/m - \$3600) | | \$3230 | \$3230 | \$ - | \$ - | |
| Total Capital Outlay | | \$7955 | \$7491 | \$464 | \$4725 | |

| | | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 | |
|---|--|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget | |
| MD19 Convention Expenses | | | | | | |
| Convention Reserve-MD19 (3%) | | \$3500 | \$- | \$3500 | \$3500 | |
| MD19 Annual Convention | | \$4000 | \$5091 | \$- | \$5500 | |
| Total MD19 Convention Expenses | | \$7500 | \$5091 | \$2409 | \$9000 | |
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| | | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 | |
| | | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget | |
| MD19 General Operations | | | | | | |
| Potential Bad Debt (MD19 Dues) | | \$250 | \$40 | \$210 | \$100 | |
| Credit Card Fees | | \$220 | \$151 | \$69 | \$175 | |
| Accounting Compilation / Services | | \$4300 | \$4093 | \$207 | \$4200 | |
| Bank Charges | | \$100 | \$70 | \$30 | \$100 | |
| Memorial Garden Expense (Plants, Soil, etc.) | | \$1500 | \$1562 | \$(62) | \$1800 | |
| Building & Grounds (Cleaning & Repairs) | | \$5000 | \$11,002 | \$(6002) | \$4500 | Partial offset w/ \$4200 insurance |
| Business License / Non-Profit Corporation | | \$75 | \$- | \$75 | \$75 | |
| Maintenance – Auto | | \$400 | \$283 | \$117 | \$400 | |
| Maintenance – Other Equipment (computer) | | \$325 | \$- | \$325 | \$500 | |
| New Club Paraphernalia Expense- personalized gong & gavel | | \$250 | \$860 | \$(610) | \$1000 | |
| Post Office Box Lease - Canada | | \$80 | \$80 | \$- | \$80 | |
| Postage | | \$4250 | \$4048 | \$202 | \$5000 | |
| Postage Supplies (Dymo Labels) | | \$600 | \$409 | \$191 | \$400 | |
| Printing and Office Supplies | | \$1900 | \$1085 | \$815 | \$1100 | |
| Printing Roster | | \$3625 | \$3151 | \$474 | \$3200 | |
| Purchases – Other Sales | | \$1000 | \$524 | \$476 | \$550 | |
| MD19 Band | | \$- | \$- | \$- | \$- | |
| EXPENSES | | | | | | |
| Purchases – Wearables | | \$2000 | \$2091 | \$(91) | \$2100 | |
| Computer Programs | | \$500 | \$378 | \$122 | \$500 | |
| Exchange Expense | | \$12,200 | \$11,124 | \$1076 | \$12,000 | |
| Utilities | | \$5800 | \$4243 | \$1557 | \$5800 | |
| Total MD19 Operations – General | | \$44,375 | \$45,194 | \$(819) | \$43,580 | |
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| | | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 | |
| | | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget | |
| Insurance – Auto/Building | | | | | | |
| Auto Insurance | | \$1850 | \$1764 | \$86 | \$1710 | |
| Commercial Pkge. Insurance (Bldg., Liability, Crime, Employee Dishonesty) | | \$2500 | \$2641 | \$39 | \$2800 | |
| Total Insurance – Auto/Building | | \$4350 | \$4225 | \$125 | \$4510 | |
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| | | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 | |
| | | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget | |
| Personnel-Calendar Year | | | | | | |
| Bulletin Editor | | \$2000 | \$1640 | \$360 | \$2000 | |
| Payroll – Admin Assistant | | \$34,320 | \$29,209 | \$5111 | \$38,480 | |
| Payroll – Executive Director | | \$45,843 | \$42,187 | \$3656 | \$49,504 | |
| Payroll – Receptionist / Bookkeeper | | \$17,550 | \$5042 | \$12,508 | \$- | |
| Medical Insurance – April 2021 | | \$16,946 | \$14,938 | \$2008 | \$18,950 | |
| Payroll Taxes | | \$11,966 | \$9369 | \$2596 | \$10,798 | |
| Pension-Executive Director 6% | | \$2751 | \$2566 | \$185 | \$2970 | |
| Pension-Admin Assistant 6% | | \$2059 | \$1850 | \$209 | \$2309 | |
| Total Personnel | | \$133,435 | \$106,801 | \$26,633 | \$125,011 | |
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| | | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 | |
| | | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget | |
| Taxes (non-personnel) | | | | | | |
| Personal Property Tax | | \$150 | \$- | \$150 | \$200 | |
| Building Property Tax | | \$5100 | \$5100 | \$- | \$5600 | |
| Total Taxes (non-personnel) | | \$5250 | \$5100 | \$150 | \$5800 | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 | |
| | | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget | |
| Support: Club, Zone and District | | | | | | |
| 1 st & 2 nd Vice Dist. Governors at District Cabinet Meetings (\$800+\$800) | | \$800 | \$- | \$800 | \$800 | |
| Awards & Trophies – Plaques, Banner Patches & Embroidery, Certificates | | \$800 | \$1032 | \$(232) | \$1000 | |
| MD19 Bulletin (<i>Border Crossing</i>): Total Expense of printing/AWeber | | \$450 | \$290 | \$160 | \$300 | |
| Council Chairperson Expense | | \$4000 | \$- | \$4000 | \$4000 | |
| 1 st & 2 nd Vice Dist. Governors at MD19 Council Meetings | | \$3300 | \$- | \$3300 | \$500 | |
| Council Meeting – Fall, Zoom Nov 2021 | | \$3000 | \$398 | \$2602 | \$500 | |
| Council Meeting – Winter | | \$1200 | \$185 | \$1015 | \$250 | |
| Council Meeting – Spring | | \$2600 | \$185 | \$- | \$3000 | |
| Dist. & Zone Officer Training-Hotel, Mileage, Fares | | \$7000 | \$- | \$7000 | \$7000 | |

| | | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 |
|--|--|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| | | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget |
| Dist. & Zone Officer Training-Admin 2022 | | \$7000 | \$ - | \$7000 | \$7000 |
| Executive Director Expense | | \$6000 | \$2363 | \$3637 | \$6000 |
| MD19 District Team Expenses | | \$500 | \$11 | \$489 | \$500 |
| Membership / Rebuilding Programs | | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| LEO Liaison for MD19 Convo. | | \$300 | \$ - | \$ - | \$20 |
| Extension Chairperson – 50% | | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Total Club, Zone and District Support | | \$36,950 | \$4464 | \$32,486 | \$30,870 |
| | | | | | |
| | | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 |
| Telephone | | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget |
| Telephone (Local, LD, Fax, Cell & Internet) | | \$2650 | \$1973 | \$677 | \$2650 |
| Website | | \$175 | \$ - | \$175 | \$175 |
| Total Telephone & Website | | \$2825 | \$1973 | \$852 | \$2825 |
| | | | | | |
| | | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 |
| Zone Chairperson | | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget |
| Zone Chairperson – Expenses | | \$8000 | \$917 | \$7083 | \$5000 |
| Zone Chairperson – MD19 Annual Convention | | \$4000 | \$ - | \$4000 | \$ - |
| Total Zone Chairperson | | \$12,000 | \$917 | \$11,083 | \$5000 |
| | | | | | |
| | | 2020-2021 | Actual | Variance | 2021-2022 |
| Reserve | | Budget | 5/15/2021 | | Budget |
| ID Candidate Reserve Fund | | \$500 | \$500 | \$ - | \$500 |
| Payable to MD 19 Reserve | | \$3500 | \$3236 | \$264 | \$3500 |
| Payable to Building Reserve | | \$3500 | \$3236 | \$264 | \$3500 |
| Total Reserve | | \$7000 | \$6472 | \$528 | \$7000 |
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| Contingency | | \$96 | \$ - | \$96 | \$431 |
| | | | | | |
| Total MD19 Expense | | \$281,117 | \$192,228 | \$88,889 | \$256,995 |
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| Total MD19 Expense Budget | | \$281,117 | \$192,228 | | \$256,995 |
| Total MD19 Income Budget | | \$281,617 | \$237,116 | | \$256,995 |
| Net Income/(Loss) | | \$500 | \$44,888 | \$ - | \$(0) |

The approval for the 2021-2022 MD19 Budget will be done later in this meeting under New Business by the 2021-2022 Council of Governors.

GOVERNANCE REPORT by PDG Chuck Waid, Chairperson:

“CHAPTER 7: Awards (red indicates addition / change)

B. International Awards

- A. The **International President’s Certificate of Appreciation** is an award that is presented at the District Spring Convention each year. The recipient(s) are selected by the District Governor to recognize outstanding service during the Governor’s year in office. The certificate(s) are requested by the District Governor from the International Guest who will be attending the Spring Convention.
- B. Every year Lions Clubs International allocates **International** Presidential and International Leadership Awards/**Medals** to the multiple district based on the **district’s** current membership count. **These two International** Presidential and **International** Leadership Awards/**medals** are traditionally presented at the MD19 Annual Convention or a District Convention. The current or most recent International Director sends the nominations to Lions Clubs International.
- C. No Member of MD19 will be awarded more than one Presidential Award and one International Leadership Award in a lifetime when being recommended by the committee (Section 4) from MD19. The maximum number of awards submitted to Lions Clubs International in any one year from MD19 is determined annually by Lions Clubs International as is the number of awards that will be given to Lions of MD19.

The **International Presidential Award** shall consist of a medal and a chest ribbon of a design approved by the International President and shall be accompanied by a suitable letter. To be nominated for this award the nominee(s) any Lion must have served for a minimum of five (5) years promoting and/or providing

leadership and/or service to a District(s) and/or the Multiple District. (Being a Leadership Chairperson, Zone Chairperson or District Governor is not a requirement).

G. Presentation

- a. The International Leadership Award presentations will be made at the District Spring Convention or any other auspicious event. It is the choice of the District Governor as to who will make the International Leadership Award presentation. **The International Certificate of Appreciation will be presented by the District Governor.**

CHAPTER 12: Officer Job Descriptions, Elections and Leadership Training

District Governor, First Vice District Governor and Second Vice District Governor:

- A. See job descriptions found in the MD19 Constitution and By-Laws, the 'General Information' section of the District Governor's Manual and in the Lions Clubs International Constitution and By-Laws.
- B. The District Governor shall be the executive officer of his/her respective District and shall preside at each District Meeting thereof. It shall be his/her duty to visit each club within his/her District or by his/her representatives, ie: 1st Vice District Governor, 2nd Vice District Governor or any Past District Governor of his/her District, at least once during his/her term of office, and report thereon to the International Association of Lions Clubs, and at other times as required. He/she shall cooperate with the Chairperson of the Multiple District and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him/her by the Multiple District Council of Governors. He/she shall attend and serve upon the Council of Governors of this Multiple District.
- C. The First District Governors shall be a member of the District Cabinet and shall be the Chief Administrative Assistant to the District Governor. He/she shall become familiar with the duties of the District Governor so in the event of a vacancy in the Office of District Governor he/she will be better prepared to assume the duties and responsibilities of said Office until such time as said vacancy is filled in accordance with the Lions Clubs International Constitution and By-Laws.
- D. The Second Vice District Governors shall be a member of the District Cabinet. He/she shall become familiar with the duties of the First District Governor so in the event of a vacancy in the Office of First District Governor he/she will be better prepared to assume the duties and responsibilities of said Office until such time as said vacancy is filled in accordance with the Lions Clubs International Constitution and By-Laws.

Zone Chairperson:

- A. The Zone Chairperson shall be the liaison officer between the District Governor and the clubs within his/her Zone. He/she shall hold at least three Zone Council Meetings during his/her term of office, under the advice and direction of the District Governor. He/she shall cooperate with the District Governor, and perform such duties as may, from time to time, be assigned to him/her by the District Governor.
- B. MD19 will provide Zone Chairperson training sessions prior to the Lions Clubs International Convention.
- C. The District Governor Elect of each MD19 District shall, in conjunction with their District's Global Action Team, schedule a training session for their District's Zone Chairperson Elect and/or Zone Chairperson, if those Lions are unable to attend the MD19 scheduled training.
- D. The training session shall be scheduled following the election of the District Governor Elect and the Zone Chairperson Elect of their District.
- E. Training sessions shall be provided by the Global Action Team in coordination with the MD19 Executive Director.

Lions Club Officers Training:

- A. The Zone Chairperson Elect or current Zone Chairperson of each MD19 Zone shall, working in conjunction with his District Governor Elect and Global Action Team will schedule a training session for the following Club officers: Presidents, Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, Secretary/Treasurers, and such other officers as are deemed advisable. These training sessions shall be conducted following the election of the Zone Chairperson Elect and the newly elected officers for those clubs within said zone, before the beginning of the next fiscal year. The training sessions for club Officers shall include, but not be limited to, the following: administrative role and duties of the Club President, vice presidents and secretary treasurer, club's Membership Chairperson and Service Chairperson.

Election and Qualifications:

- A. Zone Chairperson, Vice District Governor, District Governor, Vice Council Chairperson and Council Chairperson:
- 1) No individual shall hold more than one elected office above the club level in his/her zone, district or the multiple district simultaneously.
 - 2) When running for an office at the zone or district level, the following procedures shall be followed by the candidates in the order listed:
 - a) Zone Chairperson
 - i. By e-mail, fax and/or letter, the candidate shall state his/her intent to seek the position of Zone Chairperson. He/she shall state the qualities he/she believes qualify him/her for the said position. The e-mail, fax, and/or letter shall be sent to the Secretary of his/her club, the seated Zone Chairperson in the zone in which his/her club is located, the seated Vice District Governor, and the seated District Governor of the district in which his/her club is located, and the MD19 Executive Director. The afore mentioned officers must receive the e-mails, faxes, and/or letters on or before December 31 of the current Lions year.
 - ii. The proposed candidate's club secretary shall submit an e-mail, fax, and/or letter of endorsement to the seated Zone Chairperson of the zone in which his/her club is located stating that the candidate is an active member in good standing of a club in good standing, and further, that the candidate was endorsed by a majority vote at a regular club meeting. A copy of the e-mail, fax, and/or letter of endorsement must be sent to the seated Vice District Governor and the seated District Governor of the district in which the zone is located and to the MD19 Executive Director. The e-mail, fax, and/or letter and the copies of the e-mail, fax, and/or letter must be received by all parties on or before December 31 of the current Lions year.
 - iii. Voting for the Zone Chairperson shall be by ballot at the zone meeting preceding or during the district conference.
 - b) Second Vice District Governor, First Vice District Governor or District Governor
 - i. By e-mail, fax, and/or letter, the candidate shall state his/her intent to seek the position of First or Second Vice District Governor or District Governor. He/she shall state the qualities he/she believes qualify him/her for said position. The e-mails, faxes, and/or letters shall be sent to the secretary of his/her club, the seated Zone Chairperson of the zone in which his/her club is located, the seated First Vice District Governor and the seated District Governor of the district in which his/her club is located and the MD19 Executive Director. The e-mails, faxes, and/or letters must be received by the afore mentioned officers on or before December 31 of the current Lions year.
 - ii. The proposed candidate's club secretary shall submit an e-mail, fax, and/or letter of club endorsement to the seated District Governor of the district in which his/her club is located, stating he/she is an active member in good standing in a club in good standing, and further, the candidate was endorsed by a majority vote at a regular meeting. A

copy of the e-mail, fax, and/or letter of endorsement must be submitted to the seated First Vice District Governor and the seated Zone Chairperson of the district and zone in which the candidate's club is located and the MD19 Executive Director on or before December 31 of the current year. If his/her Club endorsement is not secured, the candidate may secure the endorsement in writing of a majority of the Clubs in his/her district. The Secretary of each Club endorsing the candidate by a majority vote at a regular or special meeting shall submit an e-mail, fax, and/or letter stating that Club's endorsement to the Zone Chairperson, First Vice District Governor, District Governor, and MD19 Executive Director on or before December 31 of the current year.

- iii. Voting for the District Governor, First Vice District Governor and Second Vice District Governor shall be by ballot at the subsequent district spring conference. The outcome will be submitted to the MD19 Executive Director immediately after said candidate is elected at the district spring conference.
- B. A club may endorse only one member of their club as a candidate for each office above the club level.
- 1) A candidate's certification of endorsement must specify the single office sought and no candidate may seek election for any office other than the office covered by his/her certification. No candidate shall have more than one (1) endorsement pending for more than one office within his/her zone or district in the same election year.
- C. When running for an office at the multiple district level, the following procedures shall be followed by the candidates in the order listed:
- 1) Vice Council Chairperson, Council Chairperson
 - i. By e-mail, fax, and/or letter the candidate shall state his/her intent to seek the position of Vice Council Chairperson or Council Chairperson. He/she shall state the qualities he/she believes qualify him/her for the said position. The e-mails, faxes, and/or letters shall be sent to the secretary of his/her club, the seated Zone Chairperson of the zone in which his/her club is located, the seated Vice District Governor, and seated District Governor of the district in which his/her club is located and the MD19 Executive Director. The e-mails, faxes, and/or letters must be received by the afore mentioned officers on or before December 31 of the current Lions year.
 - ii. The proposed Vice Council Chairperson candidate's club secretary shall submit an e-mail, fax, and/or letter of club endorsement to the seated Zone Chairperson of the zone in which the club is located, stating that the candidate is an active member in good standing in a club in good standing and further, that candidate was endorsed by a majority vote at a regular club meeting. A copy of the e-mail, fax, and/or letter must be submit-~~ted~~ted to the seated Vice District Governor and seated District Governor of the district in which the candidate's club is located and the MD19 Executive Director on or before December 31 of the current Lions year.
 - iii. The Zone Chairperson shall submit an e-mail, fax, and/or letter of zone endorsement of the candidate for Vice Council Chairperson. It must include a copy of the zone meeting minutes stating the motion to endorse the candidate, and further, that the candidate was endorsed by a majority vote at a regular zone meeting. The e-mail, fax, and/or letter must be sent to the seated District Governor of the district in which the zone is located. Copies of the e-mail, fax, and/or letter of endorsement must be sent to the seated Vice District Governor of the district in which the zone is located and to the MD19 Executive Director on or before December 31 of the current Lions year.
- D. Voting for Vice Council Chairperson and Council Chairperson shall be by ballot at the District Conferences.
- E. A candidate's certification of endorsement must specify the single office sought and no candidate may seek election for any office other than the office designated in his/her certification. No candidate shall have more than one (1) endorsement pending for more than one (1) office within his/her zone or district in the same election year.

- F. If there are no announced Council Chairperson and/or Vice Council Chairperson candidates registered with the Multiple District Office at the time of a District's Conference, any qualified Council Chairperson or Vice Council Chairperson candidates may be nominated from the floor of the District, to be that District's candidate.
- G. If there are no Council Chairperson and/or Vice Council Chairperson candidates registered with the Multiple District Office by December 31 of the Lions Year the procedures for filling these positions shall be in accordance with the procedures prescribed in MD 19 By-Laws Article IV, SECTIONS 2.

District Operations:

- A. The Sections of this Article shall not supersede District Constitution and By-Laws if those sections are provided for in the Constitution and By-Laws of the District, and adopted prior to 1 July 1995. Subsequent amendments of the District thereafter shall not be in conflict with the Multiple District Constitution and By-Laws.
- B. The office of First Vice District Governor is required and shall be an elected office by the members of the District, and the qualifications for such office shall be in compliance with the Constitution and By-Laws of the International Association of Lions Club. The office of Second Vice District Governor shall be an elected office by the members of the District, and the qualifications for such office shall be in compliance with the Constitution and By-Laws of the International Association of Lions Club.
- C. The voting members of a District Cabinet shall be: The District Governor, the First Vice District Governor, the Second Vice District Governor, the Immediate Past District Governor, the Secretary of the Cabinet, the Treasurer of the Cabinet, Zone Chairperson of the Zones of the District and each appointed committee Chairperson.
- D. District Governor, First and Second Vice District Governor, and Zone Chairperson Declaration of Candidacy:
 - 1) No Lion may declare his/her candidacy for any office above the club level unless the Lion and the club are both in good standing with Lions Clubs International and MD19. All candidates meeting the requirements for the office of District Governor, Vice District Governor, and Zone Chairperson must submit their declaration of candidacy in writing indicating the candidate to be a Lion of good standing in a club of good standing, which must be received by the Multiple District Office and their District Governor no later than December 31st prior to the year of the election. If only one candidate for an office has submitted a declaration of candidacy and complied with Article VIII "BL" by the stated deadline, said candidate shall be unopposed at the election for said office.
 - 2) If NO candidate has declared in accordance with Paragraph 1, above, then all candidates meeting the requirements for the office of District Governor, Vice District Governor, and Zone Chairperson may declare their candidacy to be received in writing by the Multiple District Office and their District Governor and the District Nominating Committee as per the Lions Clubs International Constitution (30) days prior to the first day of the District Conference.
 - 3) If NO candidate has declared in accordance with either Paragraph 5. D. 1) above, the candidate(s) meeting the requirements for the office of District Governor and Vice District Governor may be nominated from the floor at the General Session of the District Conference.
 - 4) Candidates for the office of First Vice District Governor, Second Vice District Governor and District Governor shall obtain their Club's endorsement. If his / her Club endorsement is not secured, the candidate may secure the endorsement in writing of a majority of the Clubs in his / her District. The secretary of each Club endorsing the candidate by a majority vote at a regular or special meeting shall submit an e-mail, fax, and / or letter stating that Club's endorsement to the Zone Chairperson, First Vice District Governor, District Governor, and MD19 Executive Director on or before December 31 of the current year.

- 5) Candidates for the office of Zone Chairperson shall obtain their Club's endorsement, or the majority of the Clubs in the Zone. The letter(s) of endorsement shall be filed with the Zone Chairperson with copies to the Multiple Director no later than thirty (30) days prior to the District's annual Spring Conference. If no candidates for a Zone have declared thirty (30) days prior to the District's Spring Conference, nominations may be made from the floor, and elections conducted at Zone Meetings held in conjunction with the District's Spring Conference. In any event an election shall be held, and reported to the Multiple District Executive Director, prior to 1 May to enable attendance at the Zone Chairperson Training. In the event that a Zone Chairperson is not elected in a Zone by 1 May, the District Governor Elect of the affected District shall appoint a Zone Chairperson for that Zone. The Zone Chairperson so appointed shall meet the qualifications for the office stated in Article IV, Section 9 of the MD19 Constitution.

District Election Procedures in accordance with Lions Clubs International:

A. Nominating Committee:

- 1) Each member shall be a member in good standing of a different Lions club in good standing in the district and shall not through the duration of the appointment hold any district or international office.
- 2) Shall consist of no less than three (3) and no more than five (5) members.
- 3) Responsible for reviewing qualifications of each nominated candidate within thirty (30) days prior to the election and rule on the eligibility of same.
- 4) Shall submit a completed checklist for each nominated candidate to the elections committee prior to District Governor and First and Second Vice District Governor elections.

B. Credentials Committee

- 1) Shall be composed of the District Governor, as chairperson, the Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer and two other non-officers of the district that are appointed by the District Governor.
- 2) Each member shall be a member in good standing of a different Lions club in good standing in the district and shall not through the duration of the appointment hold any district or international office.
- 3) Responsible for verifying club delegate credentials.

C. Elections Committee

- 1) Shall consist of three (3) members appointed by the District Governor.
- 2) Responsible for preparation of materials, vote tabulation, and resolving questions concerning the validity of individual ballots.
- 3) Shall prepare a comprehensive report of election results.
- 4) This Committee shall certify that all candidates for the Office of District Governor meet the requirements for this office.

D. Delegates desiring to vote shall present their voting certificates at the Polling Place and be checked against the list of registered delegates, and, if qualified, shall be furnished a ballot. The delegate shall mark his/her ballot in secret, and deposit ballot in the ballot box.

E. At the time specified, the Election Committee shall close the ballot box, mix and count the ballots, and report their finding promptly to the conference session.

F. A majority of the votes on any ballot, exclusive of blanks, shall be necessary for election to any office.

G. In an election, where no candidate receives a majority vote for an office or offices, the same shall be re-ported to the conference. The candidate with the least number of votes will automatically be dropped, and a second and subsequent ballot taken in like manner until one candidate has

- H. received a simple majority of the affirmative votes cast by the delegates present and voting. This process shall continue until an election can be announced for each office.
- I. In the event the incumbent Vice District Governor stands for election as District Governor, and at the election fails to secure a simple majority of the affirmative votes cast by the delegates present and voting, he/she shall be declared not elected, and the same shall be reported to the conference.
- J. If any such district shall fail to so elect a qualified district governor or if the district governor-elect of any such district shall die or refuse or be found by the International Board of Directors to be unable by reason of illness or other disability to take such office prior to the day his/her term would otherwise begin, or if a vacancy will exist as a result of a district governor election protest or legal action, then in any such event such district may have a district governor appointed by the International Board of Directors in the time and manner and for the term as set forth in the by-laws or constitution of Lions Clubs International.
- K. In the event the incumbent Second Vice District Governor stands for election as First Vice District Governor, and at the election fails to secure a simple majority of the affirmative votes cast by the delegates present and voting, he/she shall be declared not elected, and the same shall be reported to the conference and a vacancy declared. This vacancy will be filled according to the MD19 Constitution and By-Laws ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 7.

CLUBS IN GOOD STANDING:

For a club to be in good standing, their dues to the Multiple District, MUST be received 14 days prior to a District and Multiple District election.

MOTION: A motion was made by PDG Cec Specht, 19-I and seconded by PDG Patty Allen-White, 19-H to approve the MD19 Policy Manual as updated. Motion approved.

District Governors Joe Nilles, 19-D, Vilma Fernandez, 19-B and Hans Wong, 19-A shared a bright spot that occurred during the year of Covid19.

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 Peggy Harriman, 19-E, Donna Murr (given by PID Anne Smarsh), 19-C and Orson Christensen, 19H- shared a bright spot that occurred during the year of Covid19.

OLD BUSINESS

MD19 Rosters by ED Peter Anderson:

From what we discussed last night it is my understanding that we will be sending hard copies of the roster to club secretaries only. We also have a PDF, that once the roster is completed will be sent to the Council, MD19 Committee members and Zone Chairpersons. Anyone who wishes to receive a hard copy of the roster will need to order it. We believe having the rosters three-hole punched will be the least expensive way to go for postage rates as they will thinner. Still waiting to hear back from a couple of printing vendors as to cost.

At this time CC AI Hedstrom read the Council Chairperson Oath to Office for CCE John Moralek, who pledged he would carry them out to the best of his abilities. CCE John then read the VCC Oath of Office to VCE Lyndon Harriman, who also pledged to carry them out.

NEW BUSINESS

MD19 Distinguished Service Award by PCC JD Nellor:

MD19 LIONS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD RULES (Proposed changes as shown below. For nominations for this award to be valid for a period of three years.)

The Distinguished Service Award is the highest Award the Multiple District presents to one of its members. It is given for service and activities that are performed on the multiple district level. It shall be given to a Lion who has been a member for 7 or more years.

The Multiple District 19 Distinguished Service Award is not in recognition for club, zone or district activities. The Lion nominee must have served on the Multiple District level for at least 4 years in some capacity that was of benefit to all districts in the multiple district, such as serving as a multiple district committee chairperson, committee member or volunteering at the Multiple District 19 office.

The Nominations should include the following factors:

1. Effort and accomplishment,
2. Ideas carried out to completion,
3. Continued work on behalf of the Multiple District, and
4. General Service in behalf of Lionism.

The following persons are not eligible to be nominated or considered for the award:

1. Members of the Multiple District 19 leadership, extension, membership, public relations or retention committees or teams who are serving as chairpersons or coordinators of their respective committees or teams,
2. The seated Council Chairperson and Vice Council, and
3. Previous recipients of the award.

Nominations may be submitted by the following Lions:

1. Any seated District Governor,
2. The Council Chairperson,
3. The Multiple District 19 Executive Director, and
4. The Multiple District 19 leadership, extension, membership, public relations or retention committees or teams, as a group.

Nominations must be submitted on an official nomination form supplied by the Multiple District 19 office.

Nominations must be received by the Multiple District 19 office and the Multiple District 19 Contests and Awards chairperson on or before 90 days before the commencement of the Multiple District 19 annual convention for the fiscal year in which it is offered.

Any nomination for the award shall be valid for the 3 succeeding Multiple District 19 conventions following said nomination, *provided*, the member is otherwise eligible for the award under the terms and conditions of these rules that were in effect at the time he or she was nominated. Additional nominations of a nominee received within the 3 convention periods during which his or her nomination is valid shall not extend the term the nomination may be considered beyond the 3 Multiple District 19 conventions following the first nomination. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall be interpreted to limit the number of times a member may be nominated.

A nominations screening committee comprised of the Council Chairperson, the Multiple District 19 contests and awards chairperson, one seated District Governor who has been selected by the Council Chairperson, the Multiple District 19 Executive Director, and a representative from the Multiple District 19 leadership, extension, membership, public relations and retention committees or teams. The Multiple

District 19 contests and awards chairperson shall serve as the screening committee chairperson, and shall set a date, time and location to consider the nominations received. The members of the screening committee shall not disclose, nor cause to be disclosed, the names of nominees. When the final name has been selected, that name will be kept in confidence until the Council Chairperson announces the honoree at the Multiple District 19 Annual Convention. When the presentation is made, the Council Chairperson will share the achievements of the honoree as found on the nomination form.

MOTION: A motion was made by PDG Debbie Bostock, 19-D and seconded by District Governor Jane Beddows, 19-I to approve the recommended change to the MD19 Distinguished Service Award, as shown above where nominations for the award are valid for a period of three consecutive years. Motion approved.

Peace Poster Essay Contest

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Peggy Harriman, 19-E and seconded by District Governor Ray Fujiura, 19-F for the Multiple District to implement the Lions Clubs International Peace Poster Essay Contest in the MD. This contest will follow the same guidelines and rules as the LCI Peace Poster. Motion approved.

The "Changing of the Guard" took place at this time with the District Governors Elect (2021-2022) taking the place of the 2010-2021 Past District Governors on the Council. **The following motions were voted on by the 2021-2022 Council of Governors: (Their titles will reflect their 2021-2022 titles)**

CARE Project for 2021-2022

MOTION: A motion was made by PDG Jane Beddows, 19-I and seconded by PDG Orson Christensen, 19-H to continue with the Haiti Project: Community-Managed Girls' Learning Centers for the 2021-2022 MD19 CARE Project. Motion passed.

2021-2022 MD19 BUDGET

MOTION: A motion was made by PDG Ray Fujiura, 19-F and seconded by District Governor Marilyn Patterson, 19-G to accept the proposed 2021-2022 MD19 Budget. Motion carried.

2021-2022 MD19 Committee Chairpersons

The following 2021-22 MD19 Committee Chairpersons and Other Appointees were brought before the Council for approval:

2021-2022 MD19 Committees

Budget & Finance: Chairperson - PDG Steve Staudinger (19-G); PZC George Sim (19-A), 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. **B and C - 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

Contests & Awards: ZC Linda 'Lin' McPhee (19-I) (1st yr.); **2nd year empty**; 3rd year PZC Galen Laird (19-H)

Conventions:

2021 Annual Convention: Virtual

2022 Annual Convention: Bob Elliot, Penticton, B.C.

2022 International Convention: PZC George Sim

USA / Canada Forum: PCC Polly Voon

Diabetes Awareness: PDG Steve Nobel, (19-F)

Election Certification:

Environment: PCC Enoch Rowland (19-B); Nancy Messmer (19-I); PZC Lynda Davidson (19-H)

Evaluation Committee: PDG Monte Ward (19-G), Chairperson; 2nd year; PDG Brian Ross (19-E) 3rd year currently empty until Evaluation committee selects member for approval.

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

Information & Technology / Webmaster: PCC J.D. Nellor (19-G)

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

International Youth Exchange: ZC Tammy Allan (19F)

LCIF – B.C.: PDG Cec Specht (19-I)

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

Leader Dogs: PDG Carol Whitman (19-F) – East; 1st VDGE Debbie Mansell (19-G) - West

LEO Clubs: PZC Barry Shiles (19-H)

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

Memorial Garden: Julie Bell (19-H)

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

Strategic Planning: Committee Members –PCC John Kirry (19-C); PDG Shelley Costello (19-D); PDG Brien Patton (19-G); PCC Gary Reidel, (19-I)

District Support Team: VCC Lyndon Harriman, Facilitator

Global Leadership Team:

PDG Sharon Sikes (19-C), **Leadership**

Committee Members:

PDG Frank Bega (19-E);

Global Membership: Eric Miura (19-A)

GMA (Global Membership Approach): PDG Mark Mansell (19-G)

Global Service: PDG Wanda Eddy (19-D)

Canadian LERC: PZC Paul Hand (19-H)

MOTION: A motion was made by PDG Orson Christensen, 19-H and seconded by PDG Doug Harvey, 19-G to accept the 2021-2022 MD19 Committee appointments. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:45 PM