MD19 GET Coordinator Report

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MD 19 GAT Team

The GAT team was able to meet via Zoom several times and have a face to face session in Chilliwack. Unfortunately, I was on vacation and was not able to attend, but reports indicated it was positive and helpful. As the MD19 GET, I reached out to each of the DGs and the District GETs and offered my help.

In March, I attended the 19O Spring Conference and conducted a session on "Starting New Clubs, with PID Connie LeCleir-Meyer. It was well attended and interactive with many questions being asked.

I contacted a friend of mine who is a professor of business at the University of Michigan to see if there are any opportunities to work with a class involved in a Non Profit Business Management course. I was told that we should pick a University and go to their website and find their Business School and see if they have a Non Profit Business Course. If they do, contact the professor directly to see if there are any opportunities to have the class work on a business model for growing Lions. The advice given to me was to go directly to the professor instead of going through the University. The reasoning is that some professors do not like to be told to work on a project that was not initiated by themselves, so our chances for success would be higher if we can connect directly with the professor. I mentioned this in my Winter report but I mention it again here because I think this is an opportunity going forward and I hope the that the new MD19 GET can use this information. CC Patty has contacted an acquaintance to pursue this project at UW. The other opportunity here would be to try and establish a Campus Club.

The MD19 GET was a new position this year and going forward, I would recommend that the incoming MD19 GET meet with the District GET's as soon as possible and set goals as a team so that they are all going in the same direction.

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