

MINUTES OF THE SPRING COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS' MEETING

June 2, 2011

Red Lion, Wenatchee, WA

The Council Meeting was called to order by Council Chairperson Mike Gayda at 8:30 am. Invocation was given by District Governor Erma Kemp, 19-F. Introductions of the District Governors was done by CC Mike; the Past District Governors by Past Council Chairperson Jim McCown and the District Governors Elect by Vice Council Chairperson Hal Palmer.

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

I. Council of Governors

Mike Gayda, Council Chairperson
Hal Palmer, Vice Council Chairperson
Jim McCown, Past Council Chairperson
Patty Allen, Executive Secretary-Treasurer
Art Ruben, District Governor 19-B
Dan Comsia, District Governor 19-C
Mike Conley, District Governor, 19-D
John Bowles, District Governor 19-E
Erma Kemp, District Governor 19-F
Terry Sutfin, District Governor 19-G
Judy Portas, District Governor, 19-H
Gary Reidel, District Governor, 19-I
Dickie Lam, PDG 19-A
Janet Rinehart, PDG 19-B
Norma Bent, PDG 19-D
Bob Ekler, PDG 19-E
Kay Metz, PDG 19-F
Brien Patton, PDG 19-G

II. MD19 Committee Chairpersons & Appointees

PDG Jon Whitman, Budget and Finance
Fred Minifie, CARE
PDG Mark Koelsch, Constitution & By-Laws
PZC Dennis Foster, Contests and Awards
PDG Brian Ross, 2011 Int'l Convention
PCC Don Shove, 2011 Int'l Convention, Host Comm.
PDG Larry Carley, Fall Annual Convention
PDG Carol Whitman, Leader Dogs
PCC Allan Hunt, Leadership
PZC Ron Smircich, Faculty Development
PDG Steve Somerset, Policy Manual / Training
PDG Melba Fujiura, Public Relations
PDG Brian Ross, Long Range Planning
PDG Chuck Waid, Parliamentarian

Foundations & Societies

PDG Carol Simkin, CLERC
PDG Paul Kauzlarich, Service and Leadership Development Foundation

III. Lions, Lioness, Leos and Guests

PCC Rod Barnes	ZC Al Hedstrom	ZCE Tom Riley
Michele Barrie	PCC Jim Kemp	1 st VDGE Dave Risley
DGE Al Beddows	Joy Kosterman	PID Dur Roberson
PDG Emerson Bishop	ZCE Annie Lau	1 st VDGE Willem Roell
DGE Tom Bond	ZCE Teresina Lau	ZCE Linda Schaffrick
ZCE Lois Brodie	Barbara Minifie	ZCE David Severance
ZCE A.J. Butterfield	1 st VDGE Kathy Morrison	DGE Bill Simons
1 st VDGE Bert Caoili	DGE Gerald Mottl	1 st VDGE Dori Somerset
2 nd VDGE Marilyn Danby	PZC Dorothy Nilles	DGE Crawford Spens
Lynda Davidson	DGE Joe Nilles	Helen Sutfin
DGE Rick Drury	Laura Patton	David Thompson
ZCE Randy Elkins	ZC Judy Riggers	ZC Don Wight
DGE Julia Hart	Kim Riley	DGE Linda Wong

MOTION: A motion was made by Past District Governor Kay Metz, 19-F and seconded by District Governor Judy Portas, 19-H to accept the Minutes of the Winter Council of Governors' Meeting, held in Chilliwack, B.C. February 12, 2011 as posted. Motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA REPORTS

DIABETES AWARENESS – US REPORT by 1st VDGE Laura Wintersteen-Arleth, Chairperson:

“**19-A PZC Bob Rasmus:** Media is beginning to recognize the serious problem our country is having with the increase of diabetes. This is a good thing to have happen; there are many articles appearing in publications about diabetes. The current prediction is that almost 2 million more Canadians will be diagnosed with diabetes in the next 10 years. The cost in dealing with the epidemic cannot be borne by our current medical systems. The risk of developing diabetes increases with being overweight and not getting enough exercise. Public education at all levels is needed to combat this rapid growth.

On behalf of the Diabetes Association, I would like to thank all the clubs who have generously provided support for the organization. I have recently launched a province wide proposal for clubs or zones to host a fund raising 'Texas Hold Em' tournament. To date, I am aware of a couple of areas that are considering the idea. I would like to thank ZC Robert Meilleur for his assistance in putting this proposal together. I look forward to many more clubs/zones coming out in support of this entertaining evening activity. All the funds raised would go to the Canadian Diabetes Association for education and research.

In order to increase local awareness, I have booked the Diabetes Foundation mobile testing van for a local community day in Lynn Valley for May 28th. I would also like to have a presence by way of a booth at our Spring Conference in April.

19-B Mark Johnson/DG Art Ruben: District 19B: The Lions Health Screening Van that we set up and staffed with 19B Lions at the American Diabetes Association annual Expo at the Seattle Convention Center did a land office business. I know we were an asset for the event and will be asked to return again. This was our 3rd or 4th year. Our annual 19B Conference, held May 13-14, 2011 featured Graham Kerr, 'The Galloping Gourmet'. Mr. Kerr was a hit and had a sizable audience. He spoke about the value of healthy eating and diabetes

19-C. Bonnie Manning: No report. Request sent to Chairperson and copied to the District Governor and Vice District Governor.

19-D North: PZC Rondeau Brown: The 2010-11 year is on a par with other years. It seems the last few years there is a large rush of diabetes cheques that come in late May and June. Since I started as Diabetes Rep in July 2003, I have received in excess of \$168,000.00 and still going.

One highlight in this area was the presentation at the diabetes Regional Annual Meeting to the late Dee (Hlavach) Eades of the Volunteer of the Year Award, which was accepted by her grandson Raymond now 24 (diagnosed with Type 1 at age 10), and her daughter Debbie. It was through someone paying for Raymond's camping fee the first year he was diagnosed, having such rewarding time at camp and wanting others like him to have the same chance and from urging his grandmother to help him raise pennies that the 'Pennies for Diabetes' was started in 1997. The program now runs under the Camp STIX Camperships for Kids.

19-D.South PZC Dorothy Nilles: I have completed visits to as many clubs in D-2 and D-5 as possible. I did not visit Mansfield (D-2), Royal City (D-5), or Warden (D-5). Mansfield gave a generous donation to the Dee Eades Memorial, which went to Camp STIX scholarships, so I will not be paying this club a visit. As to Royal City and Warden, I will be dropping them a note before the year is out, asking them to donate to Camp STIX and will include a Camp STIX pamphlet in the letters.

I have included an article each month in the District D Newsletter, running the gamut from nutrition, exercise and research to the Lions Strides program and Camp STIX. These articles have been passed on to Sunshine Didra, next year's Diabetes Awareness D-South Chairperson, for resource material. I've also outlined for Sunshine the goals that I had during the year and how I tried to accomplish those goals. I encouraged her to do her own thing. However, if she chooses to build upon some of the things accomplished this year, that's great too! I will also be passing on any educational diabetic materials to Sunshine.

At our District D Conference, there was a contest between each zone to see whose jars could raise the most money for Dimes For Diabetes. Zone 2 and 5 donations were used for Camp STIX, while the Canadian donations went to Camp Kakahmela.

19-E: ZC Laura Wintersteen: Presented diabetes education classes for nursing students on pathophysiology, pharmacology, medical surgical nursing, obstetrics and nutrition. Provided glucose meters and strips to 100 community health students and their clients. Wrote articles for DG newsletters. Provided glucose screenings for a group of Slavic people with assistance from the WSU nursing students. Promoted Dimes for Diabetes. Assisted the Priest River Lions with the Lions Health Screening Unit. I will be assisting the Rathdrum and Liberty Lake Lions with the LHSU this summer. I will no longer be serving as Chairperson

as I will be the Vice District Governor this year. I am pleased to introduce Kay DeFrancesco from Rathdrum as the new District 19-E Diabetes Awareness Chairperson. I know she will do an awesome job.

19-F: Juanita Wickstrom: Request sent to Chairperson and copied to the District Governor and Vice District Governor.

19-G: Craig Limoges: Request sent to Chairperson and copied to the District Governor and Vice District Governor.

19-H North PZC Gary Semenoff: A recommendation: At the MD19 convention there could be a seminar for Diabetes Awareness chairpersons to discuss pros and cons with the hope we motivate each other.

19-H South PZC Jones Atterberry: The best advice is to visit clubs. Most have funds to donate if there is a reason. Some clubs have asked about a Diabetes Strides walk. Packets are available on the Lions Clubs International web page.

Almost every hospital has a Diabetes outreach committee. The trouble is not many Lions, or the public in general really wants to know about this disease. Kind of like, 'don't spoil my fun, boy this donut is good'. Our conferences do not take it very serious either. If you look at our lunches and dinners most of them are diabetes killers.

This year at the LCI convention Diabetes is a main theme with a large float and extra awareness. The money for the float is not from LCI, but clubs and Lions members. It is a \$12,000.00 dollar fund raiser with \$6,000.00 coming from our Multiple district. Burlington sent a donation and a few others, but more is needed.

Laura Wintersteen-Arleth is a great person with whom to stay in touch. She works on the Multiple District level, and PZC Jan Norman (Weatherly) is working on the fund-raising for the float. I know a donation would be helpful.

19-I Lyne Moreau: No report. Request sent, but no response.

MD 19 Chairperson: Laura Wintersteen: Thank-you for the privilege of serving as the MD19 Diabetes Chairperson for the last several years. I have loved meeting so many Lions from across our multiple district. We have accomplished so much in the name of Lions for diabetes awareness.

Many districts have been supporting the Dimes for Diabetes, raising money for camperships for kids with diabetes. Many clubs have also supported the diabetes float. I only wish we would have been contacted sooner to get more clubs to support the float.

I wish my predecessor the best of luck and I am available for any assistance needed. I am especially appreciative to all the clubs who have supported our kids with diabetes and the camps. You have truly made a life-long investment in our future. I will be serving as my District's VDG. I want to encourage all the DG's and VDG's to continue to support Diabetes Awareness and make it a priority for your year."

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT by PDG Enoch Rowland, Chairperson:

"Recycle

I have persuaded some local businesses that don't recycle cardboard to rent a cardboard recycle bin. This is not required by regulation at this time in the city of Burien.

I have started working on a new project of eliminating plastic bags! They don't recycle and don't decompose in landfills and have little value when shredded. I am asking businesses to stop using plastic bags and go to paper bags."

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS REPORT by PZC Mari Hall, Chairperson:

"Hello all,
To date I have had only one report sent in.

This is a sad situation for me to accept.

I have spoken with Vice Council Chairperson Hal Palmer about the MD19 International Relations Position. I will not be continuing on as I feel my time would be better spent on Leadership to others that care to learn & go forward."

LEADER DOGS REPORT by PDG Carol Whitman, Chairperson:

"Time is getting short. All leader dog donations need to get to me **no later than June 15, 2011** in order to count for the 2010-2011 year. This gives me time to forward all of your donations received to Leader Dogs before their deadline of June 25th.

I am happy to report that the Districts have certainly been busy promoting leader dogs in their respective areas. I want to congratulate each one of you who have put out a great effort in getting donations for the Leader Dog program.

Donations from MD19 Clubs have totaled approximately \$17,021.87. Last years total was \$25,342. As you can see, we have fallen short of that total for this year but due to the economy I feel we have done quite well.

I have received a report from Leader Dogs and as of May 15, 2011 the following districts have donated the following.

DISTRICT A - \$0.00	DISTRICT F - \$6295.94
DISTRICT B - \$2430.00	DISTRICT G - \$869.43
DISTRICT C - \$1029.00	DISTRICT H - \$1300.00
DISTRICT D - \$924.50	DISTRICT I - \$0.00
DISTRICT E - \$5473.00	

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU FOR ANOTHER YEAR OF SUCCESS AND A JOB WELL DONE!

Although time is running out, there is still a month left to get more donations and to make Leader Dogs very proud of us here in MD19."

LEO REPORT by PZC Karl Ostheller, Chairperson:

"Goals:

1. Compile an accurate and up-to-date directory of LEO clubs and their contact Person(s).
2. Publicize LEO clubs and their activities throughout MD19.
3. To establish relationships between LEO clubs.
4. To provide LEO clubs with ideas and information.
5. To promote contests and awards, i.e. Essay Contest, Young Leaders in Service, Peace Poster, etc.

ACTIONS:

1. Directory now has 22 LEO clubs and 4 district LEO Chairpersons.
2. Articles have been submitted to the Border Crossing, District C Newsletter, and Zone C-4 Newsletter.
3. LEO Newsletter and photo shared with members in the directory.
4. Planned and implemented a Regional LEO Conference in Poulsbo, WA at North Kitsap High School on April 30, 2011.
5. I am part of a Poulsbo Lions LEO Support Committee that seeks to empower the three LEO clubs sponsored by the Poulsbo Noon Lions.
6. I have an email-tree for communication with LEO clubs within MD19.
7. I have circulated information on the LEO Club Excellence Award.
8. I respond to questions and requests of LEO clubs within MD19.
9. I am collecting and sharing information on the LEO portion of the Lions International Convention.

LCIF – CA II REPORT by PDG Marilyn Martin, Chairperson:

“PID Roger and I sent, or took, LCIF displays to District Conferences this spring. On the Canadian side we are still waiting the implementation of a foundation that will allow us to make donations as individuals. PID Jack Isaman is confident it will happen soon. Unfortunately, it is taking longer than he had anticipated.

LCIF has notified me that if you have a cheque, to send it could be sent to Oak Brook, IL, but if you prefer to send it to a Canadian address here is a lockbox that is for LCIF cheques. Send the cheque to:

JP Morgan Chase
Lockbox Processing
Lock Box 2425
Royal Bank Plaza South Tower
200 Bay Street Suite 1800
Toronto, ON M5J 2J2”

LIONESS REPORT by Linda Schaffrick, Chairperson:

“MD19 has 19 Lioness Clubs with a total of 393 members,

The Lioness Clubs are all busy with many projects and services. These include helping at baby clinics, blood donor clinics and the mammography van; delivering school meals and preparing hot lunches for students; soup kitchens and a homework club for Immigrant Community Services; catering, a book fest and collecting used eye glasses.

Donations have gone to: LCIF, Guide Dogs, women's shelters, Child Development Center; B.C. Lions Society, learning disabilities and Hospice - again naming only a few.

To date the MD19 Lioness have in excess of 19,000 hours of service and \$354,000 in donations (this is without receiving reports from some of the clubs of their donations and hours, and it appears that some clubs do not keep track of their hours).

The clubs are keeping up with the Lions motto 'We Serve Too'.

Lioness Sonia Ayotte from the Kelowna Lioness Club will be taking over this position as of 01 July.

Thank you for having me on your team.”

YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM REPORT by PZC Lynne Davidson, Chairperson:

- Multiple District 19 is hosting five travellers from Europe this summer, and four travellers from Japan.
- Multiple District 19 is sending four travellers out to Europe, Japan and South America.
- District 19-A does not have a Chairperson at present.
- We still require four host families in Canada.
- We have four Coordinators.....Europe, South America, Japan and Australia. Our European Coordinator will be stepping down due to a heavy workload, so we are currently seeking a replacement.
- We need active cooperation from our District Governors in each District to keep this program alive, and communication flowing with the District Chairpersons.

PZC Lynne Davidson, MD19 Youth Exchange Chairperson franklyn40@shaw.ca phone: 250-339-5264”

CANADIAN LIONS EYEGLASS RECYCLING CENTER REPORT by PDG Carol Simkin, Chairperson:

“Now in the 4th quarter of the year and want to thank everyone who has collected glasses this year so far. In the 3rd quarter BC Lions and Lioness collected 16,200 glasses - a job well done.

I have visited many clubs, attended zone meetings and district conferences and have met and talked to many people.

I want to thank Council Chairperson Mike and District Governor Judy Portas for allowing me to be on their Cabinets and I look forward to doing this again next year, 2011-12.”

LIONS FOUNDATION OF CANADA / GUIDE DOGS REPORT by PDG Ray Moyle, Provincial Director:

"Good Morning, Dignataries, Fellow Lions, Lioness, Leos and Guests. I am Past District Governor Ray Moyle, presently on the Board of Directors of the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides as the representative for B.C. / Yukon.

In 1983 the Lions Clubs in Canada formed the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides for Canadians with disabilities.

The Foundation breeds and trains dog guides for people who are blind, deaf, and for special needs people with medical or physical disabilities. We now have added two more programs: seizure response dog guides for people with epilepsy, and as autism is the fastest growing developmental disability in the country, effecting 1 in 165 people, we have initiated an autism assistance dog guide program for children 4-12 years of age. These dog guides provide calming relief for children in high anxiety situations. They and their families gain increased independence and social interaction.

Throughout 2009, the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides saw its largest number of graduates to date bringing our grand total to over 1600 graduated Dog Guide teams.

The cost of breeding, raising, training and placing these dogs is \$20,000 and they are given to clients free. The clients' travel expenses and room and board at the training facility in Oakville, Ontario, are also free. To offset part of these costs, the Foundaiton seeks sponsors for each dog guide team. The sponsorship costs are: hearing - \$4,000; canine vision - \$6,000; special needs - \$10,000 and seizure reponse - \$10,000. Dog guides are retired after ten years of service.

Due to the growing demand for dog guides, the goal of the Foundation is to raise the number of dog guides for clients by ten per year over the next five years bringing the number of dogs from 100 to 150 per year by 2013. To accomplish this, it was necessary to double the kennel space and veterinary clinic at the Foundation's training facility in Oakville. The new kennel has the capability to house 100 dogs at a time. Construction is now complete.

The new on site clinic will enable staff to provide better care of our foster puppies and dog guides in training. It will also be more cost efficient. To manage this, the Foundation will require an additional \$333,000 in funding.

Donation of \$5,000 will be recognized on a permanent plaque at the entrance of the new kennel. There are other ways to donate to the Foundation, such as making a donation of \$500 for a Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship for a club member. If your club does not have the full amount, you can send in partial payments and request that it be placed on your account until you have reached the required sum. For a donation of \$150 you can have a tree planted in a family or club member's name at the Foundation's Memorial Forest in Breslu, Ontario. The recipient's name will be read at a memorial service and the tree will have a plaque with the recipient's name. For \$100 you can give a life membership.

The Foundation has a gift shop where you can purchase clothing and other items.

Each year Purina Pet Foods sponsors a National Walk for Dog Guides. Your club could organize a dog walk in your community. The Foundation will send pledge sheets, t-shirts, goody bags, etc. This year the National Walk was held on May 30th. Please make an effort to organize a walk next year.

Please generously support YOUR Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides. Your generous donations will make a difference to the future of the Foundation and greatly improve the lives of people in need of our services."

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

"Council Chairperson Mike, fellow Cabinet Members, Lions, Lioness, Leo's and guests, this year the Lions of BC Hearing Conservation Society has provided over a hundred hearing aids to deserving clients. The Canadian Lions and Lioness Clubs and the Society spent over \$50,000.00 for these hearing aids.

I want to thank all the Lions and Lioness Clubs for their help, because without them it would be an impossible task. I also want to thank all the members of the Society and especially those who are on the

remarkable job.

We all know the importance of communication. Sight and hearing are both very important and for some, because of the cost, it is not possible to get the proper hearing tests or the hearing aids.

We the Lions of BC Hearing Conservation Society can help provide:

- refurbished hearing aids
- brand new 'Unitron' hearing aids, at a small cost
- brand new hearing aids to those with special needs
- brand new hearing aids to young children

Our web site has been updated and is working well. Please check for complete details at www.lionsofbchearingsociety.org/; password 'hslions'.

As the web site information and the word of mouth spreads, our work load is increasing and we have to find new ways to raise funds, if you have ideas that will help. Please let me know.

My Friends, we remain deeply grateful for all your help. For more information on our Society and all our programs, please check our web site or send me an email or phone me and I will provide you with all the information.

Thank you for supporting and promoting this great organization.

Thank you for your cooperation.”

LIONS SERVICE & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION REPORT by PDG Paul Kauzlarich,
President:

“The Lions Service & Leadership Development Foundation continues to be active. It continues to support and fund both Lions and non Lions leadership activities.

Since the last report to the Council of Governors, the Lions Leadership Foundation has provided funding for the following:

- Leadership 101 Training in various districts
- 36 scholarships to students attending the Northwest Leadership Institute
- Border Crossing salary support
- Camp Leo
- District Governor; Vice District Governor; Zone Chairperson Elect Training

Thanks to matching funds from Garry and PDG Patti Sparks, the Leadership Foundation was able to raise \$3977.27 in funds to be used for future leadership development projects.

The Service & Leadership Development Foundation continues to lend out DVD's with leadership messages to clubs, zones, districts and others. These DVD's may be used for training purposes or as club meeting programs. They are available for a small deposit fee and may be obtained from the Lions Leadership Foundation Secretary, PDG Rosemary Richert.

An informational seminar is being planed for the Fall Annual Convention in Yakima, Washington. The purpose of the seminar is to inform and educate people about the Lions Leadership Foundation and what the foundation does. All Lions and non Lions are invited to attend this seminar.

Election for the new officers for the year 2011-2012 took place on May 31, 2011 in Wenatchee.

The Foundation wishes to thank the Lions of MD19 for their support and for their involvement in making leadership development a top priority in Multiple District 19.”

NWLERC REPORT by Jeannie Phillips, President:

"Goals that had been set for this Lions year are being met and surpassed. Glasses received, sorted and readied for missions have increased.

Missions served, or in process, number 21 this Lion's year.

We applied for and received a \$9,000.00 grant from our Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation. Three new lensometers were purchased giving us the capability to increase our inventory. Along this same need was the purchase of an industrial dishwasher. Our current washers take over an hour to finish a load while our new washer does it in 15 minutes. This will greatly improve the numbers of glasses ready for our techs to read.

We supported four counties in eye care for the homeless connects. They include Snohomish, King, Pierce and Kitsap. We worked in partnership with VOSH (volunteer optometrist's service to humanity), Lens Crafters and other Lions Clubs.

Our satellite program is building nicely, 13 are now official (representing over 90 clubs) covering most of MD19. We are currently working with the tri-cities and Lewiston, ID.

We have had four of our executive members/staff along with our Council Chairperson Mike Gayda volunteer for missions; we encourage this within our team as it gives us the last piece of the puzzle so to speak. Each returned with a renewed sense of dedication to our program.

We are looking forward to the Lion Clubs International Convention in Seattle, WA where we will have a booth in the Convention Hall. Our VP of Outreach, Bill Miller will give a 45 minute overview of our NW LERC. We have contacted the other 12 LCI LERCs throughout the world to stop by and exchange greetings.

District Service Cabinet member Sharon Sikes (Lacey Sunrise 1st VP) has put her program management skills to work for us compiling our data to produce our Policy and Procedure Manual.

We hope to have a completed copy of this manual by year's end and if so we're a year ahead of schedule. This year we produced a new NWLERC Lapel Pin that will be earned by volunteering 20 hours at either our facility or in one of the satellites. If you see anyone wearing our pin, you will know they earned it through their volunteered hours. We hope to see everyone wearing one soon.

In closing, may I say how proud I am of our team? They know what they're doing and have fun doing it. We balance all work with fun, food and *Focus Editor*, ZC John Kerry's camera shots. Be on the lookout or you may be the next featured article. We are proud of our Focus newsletter as we can keep everyone informed on how and who is doing what/ when and why.

A special thanks to District C Director/founder Dr. Bob Pinson. He continues to lead us in the direction he envisioned when he started our NWLERC.

The NWLERC works, changing lives, one pair of eyeglasses at a time."

USA / CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM REPORT by PZC Cheryl Ekler, Chairperson:

"We are so excited about the 35th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum to be held September 22-24, 2011 in Anchorage Alaska.

Everything is moving right along and the District Governors, District Public Relations persons, District Secretaries and the District Chairpersons have been kept informed and updated.

For any questions feel free to e-mail me at eklerrobert@yahoo.com or call (208) 443-7039."

MOTION: A motion was made by Vice Council Chairperson Hal Palmer and seconded by District Governor Erma Kemp, 19-F to approve the Consent Agenda items. Motion passed.

REPORTS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

CARE REPORT by Fred Minifie, CARE Chairperson:

The MD19 Lions CARE Committee is pleased to report that our fundraising efforts during 2010 and 2011 have resulted in donations of \$34,644 by April 30, 2011. With two months to go in fundraising for the Maternal and Child Health project in rural Ecuador, the Lions of MD19 may yet be able to reach our projected goal of \$40,000. Shown below are the amounts raised by each district through April 30, 2011. Please encourage the clubs in your district that have not yet contributed to our MD 19 CARE project to consider doing so.

We are recommending that this Maternal and Child Health Project in Ecuador be continued for the 2011-2012 Lions year.

District	CARE Donations to April 30, 2011
19-A	\$850
19-B	\$4,020
19-C	\$3,093
19-D	\$6,902
19-E	\$5,550
19-F	\$2,759
19-G	\$550
19-H	\$7,395
19-I	\$3,525

Project Name: Maternal Health: To Be a Woman in Ecuador's Andes
Project Location: Cayambe, Ecuador
Project Duration: One year (Grant Period: October 2012 – October 2013)
Amount Requested: \$40,000
CARE Contact: Dana Tseng

Introduction

Maternal mortality is a global tragedy. Every day nearly 1,000 expectant mothers die; 98 percent of them in developing countries. When a mother dies her family breaks apart. Her children are less likely to go to school, get immunized against diseases and eat well. In fact, children who lose their mothers are up to 10 times more likely to die in childhood than children whose mothers survive.

The good news: Preventing most maternal deaths is possible through investments in maternal health. An April 2010 study published in the health journal *The Lancet* found that the number of maternal deaths worldwide has dropped by some 35 percent – from 500,000 in 1980 to 343,000 in 2008. In fact, Ecuador is among the countries that have reduced their rates of maternal mortality. However, in many poor communities in this South American country, there remains a great unmet need for maternal health services. This is the reality in Ecuador's Imbabura Province of Otavalo, where there has existed multiple and complex barriers between pregnant women and quality maternal health care. Over the past several years, CARE has worked in Otavalo to reduce these barriers and to prevent maternal deaths. We are grateful for the partnership of MD19 Lions which is making this work possible.

Based on the successes of the maternal health program in Otavalo, CARE asks MD19 to consider helping us expand this work into Cayambe, in the Pichincha province (see map at right).

Cayambe is home to almost 70,000 people, mostly indigenous, whose economy is largely based on agriculture, including the flower industry, onion production and traditional livestock rearing for milk and cheese. Seventy-nine percent of the indigenous population in Cayambe lives in poverty and 17 percent are extremely poor. Illiteracy is also prevalent in Cayambe. Thirty-five percent of women can't read or write, compared to 18 percent of men.

Cayambe's health facilities include a hospital and 16 health clinics. However, most health facilities are not organized to support culturally-appropriate emergency obstetric and newborn care. This is just one of many

barriers which prevent pregnant women from receiving life-saving help. From our experience in Otavalo and from our maternal health work in other poor communities around the word, we know the solutions for improving maternal health care in Cayambe. CARE has an opportunity to work with the Ministry of Public Health in Cayambe to ensure women and girls of reproductive age are able to access and receive quality maternal health care services, and we ask MD19 to join us in this work.

On behalf of women and girls in Cayambe, along with the health workers we will train, CARE appreciates the consideration of MD-19 Lions to renew its support to help us sustain and expand the successful work of ***Maternal Health: To Be a Woman in Ecuador's Andes*** to Cayambe.

Summary of Program Objectives and Activities

Below is a brief summary of the objectives CARE aims to achieve with renewed support from MD19.

Objective 1: Implement a plan for leadership and participation of adolescent and young women around sexual and reproductive health rights in coordination with CARE's girls' education program. CARE will focus on preventing teenage pregnancy and increasing gender equity, which are both national and Andean region priorities.

Objective 2: Improve the quality of maternal and newborn health services in Cayambe, working in partnership with Ecuador's Ministry of Public Health. This involves training health personnel and community leaders, and establishing a referral network for obstetric and newborn care.

Objective 3: Strengthen health centers' capacity to provide culturally appropriate delivery services. For example, indigenous Ecuadorian women prefer to give birth in the vertical position, which they believe is a more natural state for both the mother and newborn. This birthing option is currently not provided in most clinics. Special emphasis will be placed on this culturally appropriate technique, among others, so health care providers are familiar with and can better accommodate the needs of indigenous women. With this in place, women will be more inclined to use health facilities rather than attempting to give birth at home."

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Erma Kemp, 19-F and seconded by PDG Dickie Lam, 19-A to continue MD19 support for 'Maternal Health: to be a woman in Ecuador's Andes' in 2011-2012 and extend that support to include the community of Cayambe in the Pichincha province. Motion passed.

INFORMATION & TECHNOLOGY-WEBSITE REPORT by EST Patty Allen for PZC Sandy Ball, Webmaster:
"We just came through, what can only be described, as a horrendous transition from one internet service provider to another in an effort to save costs. The staff at the MD19 office deserves medals for the lack of service they had to contend with from Qwest Technologies! Thankfully, all is running smoothly now!

I respectfully ask the Council to consider a motion to the following effect: 'All passwords, login information and technical information regarding the MD19 website and email accounts be provided to the newly appointed and Council approved webmaster immediately following approval at the MD19 Council of Governors Spring Council Meeting.'

The effect of this motion is that a new webmaster coming in will have all the information needed, at his/her disposal. It will also protect our website and image because no one without the express written consent of the MD19 Office and Council of Governors can create, design, maintain, or mirror a website or social networking page bearing the name MD19 Lions. (My employer had a, now former, employee create a Facebook page for one of their departments; it took months to get the access information to the page. If you don't/can't control the web site or Facebook page, this can be a disaster for the Lions in our Multiple District.)

This new policy item would be printed in the MD19 Policy Manual in Chapter V 'Communications' B. MD19 WEBSITE #5.

PayPal - we are one step closer to getting our PayPal all set up. A switch to a new banking system delayed the setup."

2011 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION REPORT by PDG Brian Ross for PDG Brian Chadsey, Chairperson:
"Due to PDG Brian Chadsey's unfortunate fall from a 16 foot ladder, Denice and I have taken over as Co-Chairpersons for the MD19 Contingency at the 2011 International Convention in Seattle, WA.

Here are the facts:

- Pray for sun! Bring your bumpershoot (umbrella)!
- MD19 has two official MD19 Convention hotels for their delegates: Washington Athletic Club and the Renaissance Hotel – both are on 6th Avenue. Location of the MD19 Hospitality Room – Washington Athletic Club in the Presidential Suite. This is across the street from the District Governors Elect hotel; ½ block from the Convention Center. Try to find a way to get to your hotel without bringing a car as there is a daily fee for parking.
- Hospitality Room – open Monday through Thursday, 1:00-5:00 pm and 8:00-10:00 pm. Donations of paper plates, napkins, snacks, beverages are welcome. Contact PDG Brian Ross if you have donations. We do need help from the MD19 Lions to host the Hospitality Room. Email Brian and sign up for a shift: marvin@theofficenet.com
- Daily bulletin published for MD19 Lions. This will be done daily and will be emailed to the District Governor Elects. Copies will be in the hospitality room.
- Parade – Tuesday morning. As 'Hosts' we will be 'bringing up the rear!' Purchase now your vest, hat, shirt and bag, in the MD19 Office. You need to call today as we may not have your vest size at this late date and you need to check. However, if you are NOT marching in the parade you can wear the old corduroy vest. You need to purchase a 2011 International Convention patch to sew onto your vest. Contact the MD19 Office (360-733-4911) to get them. Cost is \$10.00 per patch.
- The Parade Uniform: all white pants, white short sleeve shirt, new red vest with patch, white cowboy hat with MD19 patch and all white shoes. Be sure to wear white underwear! Read the Monday MD19 bulletin for the important facts of when and where to line up.
- Register online at the 2011 International Convention website to volunteer. Don't miss this chance of a lifetime to participate in an International Convention. It is really cool!

If you have questions, call or email the MD19 office: md19lions@lionsmd19.com or call or email Brian, 1-509-935-6533, email above."

2011 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION-HOST COMMITTEE REPORT by PCC Don Shove, Chairperson:

"My report will be very short.

We, your Host Committee, have one meeting left before the International Convention is here upon us all in MD19.

Our Team has been meeting and is now working on the fine tuning of our areas of responsibilities. We still need folks to volunteer; register for the convention and be hosts to the Lions of the world.

We have the District Governors Elect coming in a few days earlier for their training and the activities start as early as the 26th of June. We all need to pay attention to the times and days of these events and do what we can to help, as well as do the things we would like to do at the convention.

MD19's Hospitality Room will be at the Washington Athletic Club and will be open at a variety of times. We hope to see all the Lions of MD19 come and sign in when visiting.

The Parade is our first big event with all Lions. We are the very last group to go, so let's have the largest group of all!

We have, with Lions Clubs International a super Convention lined up with great activities and great entertainment to peak all Lions' interests."

BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT by PDG Jon Whitman, Chairperson:

"The Budget and Finance Committee is submitting to you a proposed budget for the 2011-2012 Lions year. As you have the opportunity to review the budget, you will notice that even with all of the cost-saving

measures, we may have a shortfall for the 2010-2011 budget, due to membership losses. As directed by the MD19 Policy Manual, we used the membership numbers reported on the April 30, 2010 MMR reports, factored in an additional 2% reduction for uncollectable dues, which was increased at the Mid-Year budget reassessment due to membership losses, but it may not be enough. This year (2011-2012) we, as a committee, did the same thing using the April 30, 2011 stats and factoring in a 2% membership loss and 2% for uncollectable dues. The budget cannot withstand a greater number of membership losses. If we continue larger losses, as we have in the past, we may not be able to stay within the proposed budget.

As a committee, we would like to thank the Governors for their diligence in the collection of dues. This helped to make the financial picture look better as we prepared the new budget. You have collected almost \$800 more in MD19 dues than we anticipated. Thank you for your efforts.

Your budget committee met in Ellensburg, WA on May 7th to formulate the budget that you have before you for adoption. There will be a proposed MD19 dues increase on the ballot in October, 2012 of \$2.00. Column I is the budget based on the present dues structure of \$16.60 per member and column J is the budget based on the new dues structure with the \$2.00 increase. However, you will see that in this 2011-2012 budget, Column J only reflects a \$1.00 increase. That is because the new dues structure will begin with the second half dues billing in January, 2012, so there will only be a \$1.00 increase in the 2011-2012 year. This will only occur in the 2011-2012 Lions year. The full increase will be implemented on July 1, 2012. The committee also lowered the \$12,000 in the uncollectable dues/bad debt line item to \$4321 in Column I and \$4582 in Column J. This was done because the committee believes the Governors and Zone Chairpersons will continue to collect a higher percentage of dues and we will begin to maintain our membership numbers with our efforts in retention. We must slow to a stop the drain on our membership. We need 14,400 members in order to maintain services to our Lions members.

Last year we missed the mark on the Zone Chairperson elect school expenses. The number in this line item has been adjusted to reflect what we feel will be a more accurate figure. This is the first year that we have held an independent school and our attendance numbers are a bit lower than usual, so this prediction may be high.

In closing, it is always wise to remember that membership retention and new members continue to play a large role in the success of Lions Clubs International and the Multiple District operations.

Supportive Data for 2011-12 Budget Based on April 30, 2011 Statistics						
Membership & Dues of \$16.60			Dues			Dues & Para
	Mem. 4/30/11	Less 2%	District Operations Accts			Balance Owed
District A	1081	1059	(# Adjst Lions) x \$16.60 x 6% =	\$1055		\$145
District B	1008	988	20 charter Mem (# Adjst Lions) x \$16.60 x 6% =	\$984		\$135
District C	1652	1619	(# Adjst Lions) x \$16.60 x 6% =	\$1612		\$1238
District D	1678	1644	(# Adjst Lions) x \$16.60 x 6% =	\$1638		\$255
District E	1624	1592	(# Adjst Lions) x \$16.60 x 6% =	\$1585		\$1866
District F	1539	1508	(# Adjst Lions) x \$16.60 x 6% =	\$1502		\$(57)
District G	1560	1529	(# Adjst Lions) x \$16.60 x 6% =	\$1523		\$250
District H	1816	1780	(# Adjst Lions) x \$16.60 x 6% =	\$1773		\$641
District I	1324	1298	(# Adjst Lions) x \$16.60 x 6% =	\$1292		\$882
Total	13282	13016	472 Clubs		\$12,964	\$5,353
Estimated Total Dues Collected 2011-12 Using Adjusted Totals				(# Adjst Lions) x \$16.60 =	\$216,072	
Membership & Dues of \$17.60 (\$18.60)						Dues & Para
	4/30/2011	Less 2%	District Operations Accts			Balance Owed
District A	1081	1059	(# Adjst Lions) x \$17.60 x 6% =	\$1119		\$145
District B	1008	988	20 charter Mem (# Adjst Lions) x \$17.60 x 6% =	\$1043		\$135
District C	1652	1619	(# Adjst Lions) x \$17.60 x 6% =	\$1710		\$1238
District D	1678	1644	(# Adjst Lions) x \$17.60 x 6% =	\$1737		\$255
District E	1624	1592	(# Adjst Lions) x \$17.60 x 6% =	\$1681		\$1866
District F	1539	1508	(# Adjst Lions) x \$17.60 x 6% =	\$1593		\$(57)
District G	1560	1529	(# Adjst Lions) x \$17.60 x 6% =	\$1614		\$250

Membership & Dues of \$17.60 (\$18.60)								Dues & Para	
	4/30/2011	Less 2%		District Operations Accts				Balance Owed	
District H	1816	1780		(# Adjst Lions) x \$17.60 x 6% =		\$1879			\$641
District I	1324	1298		(# Adjst Lions) x \$17.60 x 6% =		\$1370			\$882
Total	13,282	13,016	472 Clubs			\$13,745			\$5,353
Estimated Total Dues Collected 2011-12 Using Adjusted Totals				(# Adjst Lions) x \$17.60 =		\$229,088			
				Dues of \$16.60			Dues of \$17.60		
MD19 Operations Account - 89%						\$192,304		\$203,888	
MD19 Convention Account-3%						\$6482		\$6873	
MD19 Reserve Account-1%						\$2161		\$2291	
MD 19 Building Reserve Account-1%						\$2161		\$2291	
Estimated uncollectable dues (approx. 2% of total to be collected)						\$4321		\$4582	
(Drops and bad debt)									
Updated Budget for 2010-11—2011 (Based on adjusted 2/12/11 Information)									
INCOME									
MD19 Dues	4/30 less 2%			Budget 2/12/11	Actual-4/26/11	Variance	Propose 16.60	Propose \$17.60	
District A	1136			\$1131	\$1092	\$(39)	\$1055	\$1119	
District B	988			\$984	\$918	\$(66)	\$984	\$1043	
District C	1697			\$1690	\$1575	\$(115)	\$1612	\$1710	
District D	1726			\$1719	\$1626	\$(93)	\$1638	\$1737	
District E	1651			\$1644	\$1533	\$(111)	\$1585	\$1681	
District F	1532			\$1526	\$1518	\$(8)	\$1502	\$1593	
District G	1596			\$1590	\$1590	\$0	\$1523	\$1614	
District H	1891			\$1883	\$1725	\$(158)	\$1773	\$1879	
District I	1290			\$1285	\$1203	\$(82)	\$1292	\$1370	
MD19 Operations Account – 89%				\$188,877	\$189,574	\$697	\$192,304	\$203,888	
MD19 Convention Reserve – 3%				\$6367	\$6390	\$24	\$6482	\$6873	
MD19 Reserve Account – 1%				\$2122	\$2130	\$8	\$2161	\$2291	
MD19 Building Reserve Account – 1%				\$2122	\$2130	\$8	\$2161	\$2291	
Total Dues Income (gross)				\$212,221	\$213,004	\$783	\$216,072	\$229,089	
MD19 Other Income									
(Renamed Fall Annual Convention)				\$4500	\$4950	\$450	\$4500	\$4500	
Building Improvements Furnace \$7179 & Flooring \$2283				\$7179	\$9462	\$2283	\$ -	\$ -	
New Club Paraphernalia				\$2000	\$1349	\$(651)	\$1400	\$1400	
Postage Recovered				\$300	\$232	\$(68)	\$300	\$300	
Printing Recovered				\$25	\$28	\$3	\$25	\$25	
Sales Other				\$200	\$178	\$(22)	\$200	\$200	
Pins-Sales Income				\$20	\$ -	\$(20)	\$2000	\$2000	
Uniforms-Sales Income				\$2200	\$3900	\$1700	\$1000	\$1000	
Roster C/A Sales				\$500	\$554	\$54	\$500	\$500	
Roster C/A Advertising				\$1000	\$650	\$(350)	\$1000	\$1000	
Bulletin Subscriptions				\$700	\$470	\$(230)	\$500	\$500	
Bulletin Advertising				\$600	\$660	\$60	\$600	\$600	
Lioness - Awards				\$140	\$170	\$30	\$150	\$150	
Lioness- Rosters				\$200	\$218	\$18	\$200	\$200	
Exchange Income				\$ -	\$364	\$364	\$100	\$100	
Interest Income				\$100	\$50	\$(50)	\$50	\$50	
Membership / Rebuilding Clubs				\$25	\$5	\$(21)	\$25	\$25	
Border Crossing Editor Grant				\$1800	\$1800	\$ -	\$1800	\$1800	
DGE/VDGE School Grant				\$2000	\$2000	\$ -	\$2400	\$2400	
MD19 Global Team Expenses Grant				\$1000	\$1000	\$ -	\$1000	\$1000	
ZCE School Grant				\$4000	\$4000	\$ -	\$4500	\$4500	
Total MD19 Other Income				\$28,489	\$32,039	\$3,550	\$22,250	\$22,250	
Total MD19 Income				\$240,710	\$245,043	\$4,333	\$238,322	\$251,339	

EXPENSE			Budget 2/12/11	Actual-4/26/11	Variance	Propose 16.60	Propose \$17.60
International Convention / Forum / Director							
Council Chairperson	Seattle		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$400	\$400
Council Chair-Elect (seated Vice Council Chair)	Seattle		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$400	\$400
Convention Chairperson	Seattle		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$400	\$400
Int'l Convention Expense (Hosp. Room)	Seattle		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$300	\$300
VCC to USA / Canada Forum	Alaska		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$300	\$300
VDG to USA / Canada Forum	Alaska		\$300	\$300	\$ -	\$1800	\$1800
Total International Convention / Forum / Director			\$300	\$300	\$ -	\$3600	\$3600
Capital Outlay							
Major Capital Expense (i.e. Furnace Upgrade)			\$7179	\$7179	\$0	\$ -	\$ -
Office Equipment			\$300	\$125	\$175	\$300	\$300
Copier Lease (Minolta)			2750	\$2594	\$156	\$2750	\$2750
Risograph Lease			\$2200	\$2202	\$(2)	\$2200	\$2500
Vehicle purchase contract (\$402.86 per month - \$4834.32)			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$2000	\$4834
Total Capital Outlay			\$12,429	\$12,100	\$329	\$7,250	\$10,384
MD19 Convention Expense							
Fall Annual Convention			\$818	\$2990	\$(2172)	\$2500	\$4000
Total MD19 Conv. Expense			\$818	\$2990	\$(2172)	\$2500	\$4000
MD19 General Operations			Budget 2/12/11	Actual-4/26/11	Variance	Propose 16.60	Propose \$17.60
Potential Bad Debt (MD19 Dues)			\$12,000	\$11,217	\$783	\$4321	\$4582
Credit Card Fees			\$974	\$788	\$186	\$400	\$400
Accounting Review			\$2622	\$2622	\$0	\$2622	\$2622
Bank Charges			\$100	\$78	\$22	\$100	\$100
Building & Grounds (Repairs & Cleaning)			\$1000	\$1562	\$(562)	\$1500	\$1500
Bond - Employee			\$300	\$ -	\$300	\$300	\$300
Business License			\$15	\$ -	\$15	\$15	\$15
Maintenance Contract – Minolta Copier (July & Jan)			\$500	\$119	\$381	\$500	\$500
Maintenance-Auto			\$850	\$763	\$87	\$1000	\$1000
Maintenance – Other Equipment (computer)			\$500	\$35	\$465	\$500	\$500
Maintenance Contract – Risograph Copy/Printer			\$1000	\$597	\$403	\$1000	\$1000
Security System			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
New Club Paraphernalia Exp.-Personalized gong/gavel			\$500	\$11	\$489	\$300	\$300
Postage-Excludes Bulletin			\$5300	\$3235	\$2065	\$4300	\$4300
Postage Lease-Pitney Bowes			\$2700	\$2683	\$17	\$2700	\$2700
Office Supplies			\$1000	\$733	\$267	\$1000	\$1200
Printing & Stationary Supplies-Excludes Bulletin			\$1200	\$1502	\$(302)	\$1500	\$1500
Printing Outside			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Printing Roster / Contests & Awards			\$2615	\$2615	\$0	\$2700	\$2700
Purchases-Uniforms			\$1300	\$4569	\$(3269)	500	\$500
Purchases – Other Sales			\$300	\$227	\$73	\$300	\$300
Purchases - Pins			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$2000	\$2000
Vest Rental Refund			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$560	\$ -
Computer Programs			\$350	\$298	\$52	\$350	\$350
Exchange Expense			\$3000	\$1441	\$1559	\$1000	\$1000
Utilities			\$4700	\$4926	\$(226)	\$4700	\$4700
Total MD19 Operations-General			\$42,826	\$40,020	\$2,806	\$34,168	\$34,069
Insurance-Auto / Building							
Auto Insurance			\$1574	\$1574	\$ -	\$1574	\$1574
Building Insurance			\$2007	\$2007	\$ -	\$2007	\$2007
Total Insurance-Auto / Building			\$3,581	\$3,581	\$ -	\$3,581	\$3,581
Personnel-Calendar Year							
Part Time Employee: ZC Expenses, Bookkeeper, Gardener			\$600	\$516	\$85	\$750	\$750

Personnel-Calendar Year (Continued)			Budget 2/12/11	Actual-4/26/11	Variance	Propose 16.60	Propose \$17.60
Bulletin Editor (Employee Taxes paid by MD19)			\$1800	\$1305	\$495	\$1800	\$1800
Medical Insurance	April '10		\$17,000	\$15,264	\$1736	\$17,000	\$17,000
Payroll-Admin Assistant-Statistics	11.84		\$25,272	\$20,181	\$5091	\$25,272	\$25,272
Payroll – Executive Secretary	20.86		\$43,389	\$35,045	\$8,344	\$43,389	\$43,389
Payroll-Receptionist	9.25		\$19,160	\$15,517	\$3643	\$19,160	\$19,160
SUI (Employ, Security .52 x \$37,300 max per employee)			\$873	\$497	\$376	\$873	\$873
FICA	Soc Sec 6.2% gross		\$5647	\$4499	\$1148	\$5647	\$5467
FUTA	Fed. Unemploy. 0.8% x \$7k max		\$198	\$173	\$25	\$198	\$198
MCARE	MediCare 1.45% gross		\$1321	\$1052	\$269	\$1321	\$1321
L&I-SDI (Worker's Compensation-.1792 x reg hrs.)			\$782	\$793	\$(11)	\$1050	\$1050
Pension-Executive Sec.	6% of Gross payroll		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2603
Pension – Admin Asst-Stat	6% of Gross payroll		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$1516
Penion-Receptionist	6% of Gross payroll (Mar '08)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$1150
Total Personnel			\$116,042	\$94,842	\$21,200	\$116,460	\$121,729
Taxes (non-personnel)							
Personal Property Tax			\$100	\$130	\$(30)	\$150	\$150
Building Property Tax			\$4100	\$4019	\$81	\$4100	\$4100
Total Taxes (non-personnel)			\$4200	\$4149	\$51	\$4250	\$4250
Support: Club, Zone and District							
Vice District Governors @ District Cabinet Meetings			\$1050	\$686	\$364	\$1050	\$1450
Awards & Trophies (Plaques, Banner Patches & Embroid.)			\$1100	\$881	\$219	\$1500	\$1585
MD19 Bulletin (<i>Border Crossing</i>) – Total Expense			\$4000	\$3308	\$692	\$4000	\$4000
Council Chairperson Expense			\$3000	\$130	\$2870	\$3000	\$3000
Vice District Governors @ MD19 Council Mtgs.			\$4170	\$3051	\$1119	\$4200	\$4200
Council Meeting – Fall-Yakima, WA 2011			\$2300	\$2201	\$100	\$2300	\$2300
Council Meeting – Winter- Harrison Hot Springs, 2012			\$2000	\$874	\$1126	\$2000	\$2000
Council Meeting – Spring – Wenatchee, WA 2012			\$2000	\$ -	\$2000	\$2000	\$2000
Council Retreat – Yakima, WA 2012			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
DGE & VDGE Training- Wenatchee, WA 2012			\$2000	\$215	\$1785	\$3600	\$5000
Executive Secretary Expense			\$6000	\$3757	\$2243	\$6000	\$7000
Global Team Expense			\$1000	\$532	\$468	\$1000	\$1000
Membership / Rebuilding Programs			\$100	\$ -	\$100	\$102	\$200
Extension Chairperson	50%		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Club, Zone & District Support			\$28,720	\$15,635	\$13,085	\$30,752	\$33,735
Telephone							
Telephone (Local, LD, Fax, Cell & Internet)			\$4000	\$3793	\$207	\$4100	\$4100
Website			\$128	\$128	\$0	\$ -	\$ -
Total Telephone & Website			\$4,128	\$3,921	\$207	\$4,100	\$4,100
Zone Chairpersons							
Zone Chairpersons - Expenses			\$11,500	\$11,287	\$213	\$12,500	\$12,500
Zone Chairperson – Fall Annual Convention			\$2500	\$6718	\$(4218)	\$6800	\$6800
Zone Chairperson Elect-School			\$4000	\$ -	\$4000	\$9000	\$9000
Supplies			\$300	\$ -	\$300	\$300	\$300
Total Zone Chairperson			\$18,300	\$18,004	\$296	\$28,600	\$28,600
Reserve							
Payable to Reserve			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$900	\$1000
Payable to Bldg Reserve			\$2100	\$2130	\$(30)	\$2161	\$2291
Total Reserve			\$2,100	\$2,130	\$(30)	\$3,061	\$3,291
Contingency							
Contingency			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total MD19 Expenses			\$233,444	\$197,672	\$35,772	\$238,322	\$251,339

	Total MD19 Expense Budget	\$233,444	\$197,672	\$35,772	\$238,322
	Total MD19 Income Budget	\$240,710	\$245,043	\$4,333	\$238,322
	Net Income / (Loss)	\$7,266	\$47,370		\$ -

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Art Ruben, 19-B and seconded by PDG Janet Rinehart, 19-B to accept the proposed 2011-12 Budget as submitted by the Finance Committee, with the dues increase and without the dues increase. Motion passed.

CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS REPORT by PDG Mark Koelsch, Chairperson:

At the Winter Council of Governors meeting in Chilliwack, B.C. the Council approved a motion to recommend to the MD19 Constitution and By-Laws Committee that the committee propose an amendment to Article VII, Section 5 of the MD19 Constitution and By-Laws that would provide for a \$2.00 increase in dues effective January 2, 2012 and an annual 3% increase in dues thereafter. The 3% adjustment would be contingent upon the approval of a balanced annual budget and the approval of the Council of Governors. It was recommended that the proposed amendment be placed on the ballot at the 2011 Fall Annual Convention. It is therefore suggested that Section 5 of Article VII of the Multiple District 19 Constitution be amended as follows:

Note: Existing language of Article VII Section 1 is in regular print, removed language has strike-through lines and the suggested new language is in bold red.

"Section 5. The per capita tax for Multiple District 19 dues shall be levied semi-annually. The cost per member semi-annually shall be ~~eight dollars and thirty cents (\$8.30)~~ **nine dollars and thirty cents (\$9.30). Commencing January 2, 2012, and continuing every January thereafter, the semi-annual cost per member shall be increased at an annual rate of 3%, subject to Council of Governors approval of the increase and approval of a balanced annual budget.** The per capita tax shall be apportioned as prescribed in the Policy Manual."

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Gary Reidel, 19-I and seconded by PDG Kay Metz, 19-F to recommend a DO Pass for the proposed dues increase with a possible annual rate increase of 3% subject to approval of the Council of Governors and a balanced annual budget.

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Dan Comsia, 19-C and seconded by VCC Hal Palmer to postpone voting on the previous motion until after lunch. Motion passed.

"Four items were presented to the Council from the Constitution & Bylaws Committee at the Winter Council meeting. The first item (voting on the budget for the coming year) was deemed to be a Policy Manual item. The second item (scheduled basis for dues increase) was addressed by the above noted motion and suggestion. The remaining two items (prorated dues and Campus Club dues) were discussed at the previous Council meeting.

Based on an approved motion from the Council that the MD19 follow the policy of Lions Clubs International and bill for new members reported on MMR's on a pro-rated basis, the following language for Section 1 of Article VII of the Multiple District Constitution was proposed:

Section 1. As Multiple District dues, there shall be paid by every member club a per capita tax for each and every member carried upon its rolls, and reported to the Multiple District Executive Secretary-Treasurer upon its monthly report under 'Members at Close of Month' for June and December. **All new members reported on MMR's subsequent to the June and December MMR's shall be assessed on a pro-rated basis.** This sum shall be billed in U.S. Funds for clubs located in the U.S. and in U.S Funds or the Canadian currency equivalent for clubs located in Canada. This sum shall be paid semiannually on or before the last day of August and the last day of February. The dues payment shall be made payable to 'Multiple District 19', and shall be payable in US Funds by clubs located in the U.S., and in U.S. Funds or the Canadian currency equivalent by clubs located in Canada, as billed by the Multiple District Executive Secretary-Treasurer."

MOTION: A motion was made by PCC Jim McCown and seconded by PDG Norma Bent, 19-D to recommend a Do Pass on assessing clubs who report new members on their MMR's dues on a pro-rated basis. Motion passed.

"No changes were proposed by Council members and there appeared to be a consensus that the language was acceptable though no action was taken at the Winter Council meeting.

The final item is based on an approved motion to change the MD19 dues structure to be in agreement with the dues structure of Lions Clubs International, in that MD19 dues for Campus Club members under the age of 30 be set at a level one-half of those charged to regular Lions Club members of MD19. There was discussion from the Council that the language proposed at the Winter Council meeting should include a specific age limit. Based upon input from the Council, it is now suggested that a new Section be added to Article VII to read as follows:

Section 6. The per capita administrative tax of Multiple District 19 shall include provisions for a Student Membership Plan as adopted by the International Board of Directors. Eligible students who are less than 30 years old at the semi-annual billing date members shall pay a semi-annual per capita tax equal to one half (1/2) of the total amount of the dues. Documentation of student members shall be made through Lions Clubs International utilizing the approved criteria and application form.

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Terry Sutfin, 19-G and seconded by District Governor Mike Conley, 19-D to recommend a Do Pass for the Campus Club Member dues. Motion Passed.

CONTESTS AND AWARDS REPORT by PZC Dennis Foster, Chairperson:

"Spring Conferences are completed; District Contest & Awards results are still coming in and are being compiled. Planning is underway for the Fall Annual Convention.

Upcoming deadlines: **June 30**– Club Inspirational Award nominations; Lions Distinguished Service Award nominations; Lioness of the Year nominations.

Proposed changes to current contests (**changes in bold**):

Club Bulletin: change qualification 1 to read: **'To be eligible for judging at the District level a club must publish at least one bulletin per month. To be eligible for judging at the MD19 level a club must publish at least 10 monthly bulletins during the year.'**

Reformat the sentences of paragraphs 2 and 3 into a numbered list under the heading **'Bulletins to be judged.'**

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Gary Reidel, 19-I and seconded by PDG Brien Patton, 19-G to accept the recommended changes to 'Club Bulletins' found in the MD19 Contests and Awards. Motion passed.

Leo of the Year: Change sentence 2 of paragraph 3 to read: 'The nomination must be submitted on the official Lions Club's International Leo of the Year Award Application **and be accompanied by supporting documentation as necessary.** Nominations must be received by the Multiple District 19 Office and the MD19 Contests and Awards Chairperson on or before **May 1st** of the Lions year. **Nominations not submitted on the Official award application, incomplete applications, or applications received after May 1st will not be considered.'**

In paragraph 4, add the **MD19 Leo Committee Chairperson** to the Screening Committee membership. Change the date of the screening committee meeting to after **May 1st**. Close the paragraph with **'The selected application and supporting documentation will be sent to LCI by the MD19 Office to arrive before June 1st.'**

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Terry Sutfin, 19-G and seconded by District Governor Judy Portas, 19-H to accept the recommended changes to the MD19 Contests and Awards, Leo of the Year Award. Motion passed.

Possible change submitted for consideration:

Secretary Excellence: Modify the VAD form to include a place to indicate the date the current month's MMR was submitted.

Add new paragraph 3B to read "**MMR Submitted date indicates MMR was filed per above deadlines (3 points per month).**"

Change the point value of paragraph 3A to **3** points per month.

These changes will take effect for the 2011-12 contest year."

The Contests and Awards Committee is going to relook at the last proposed MD19 C&A change above concerning the VAD.

Meeting recessed at 10:00 AM

Meeting resumed at 10:15 AM

LONG RANGE PLANNING REPORT by PDG Brian Ross, Chairperson:

"It was put into motion the need for LRP to report on positive updates from the Business Process & Organizational Assessment presented at the Winter Council of Governors' meeting held in Chilliwack, B.C. I submit the following reported to me by EST Patty Allen for your information.

Recommendation #1 under Priority Recommendation #2 is already being implemented with regards to reduced paper dependency and expanding email communication. We are beginning to move away from printed communications and manuals etc. We no longer print out the officer manuals, the *Border Crossing* unless subscribed to, the minutes of the Council Meetings, the registration forms and letters regarding meals and hotel rooms, the semi-annual dues bills, and the annual Club Officer Update Forms. All of these items are either emailed to the officers as an attachment or as a link to be downloaded from the website. The WMMR's are no longer printed unless there are membership changes. Printing the WMMR's with changes allows for easy access by the staff and for easy access in the future by clubs requesting the names of members who have been dropped.

Recommendation #2 under Priority Recommendation #2 - Streamline statistical data processing. The Contests and Awards Chairperson and the office are in conversation currently about streamlining the Secretary Excellence Award and the Club Bulletin Award. This is a continuous process with all awards and has been a discussion item between the previous C&A Chair and the office with several changes having been made. So much of what the staff does is driven by the contests & awards program and the requests made by the membership and retention chairpersons.

First Full Paragraph

The Policy Manual and Constitution will be modified following the five (5) year trial period with regards to conventions. However, it should be noted that the changes to the convention schedule have left in place the school for the District Governors Elect, 1st Vice District Governors Elect and Zone Chairpersons Elect. The Council Meeting will be held in June rather than May. Following that meeting, close to 100 Lions Leaders and their teachers will be invited to meet together for the annual school: 9 District Governors, nine 1st Vice District Governors, currently four 2nd Vice District Governors, one Council Chairperson Elect, and 60 Zone Chairpersons. This will involve speakers, training materials, meals, guest rooms, meetings rooms. This will take a certain amount of planning and preparation that the report by Debbie Ahl did not take into account. Her report indicated there will be a great deal of time on their hands because of only have "one convention". Preparing for the Spring Council Meeting and School has been as time consuming as preparing for our part in the Annual Convention and the original schools.

As a result of the reading of this report, the Policy Manual was modified at the Winter Council Meeting to reflect that the MD19 Office no longer prints the roster in house. It has been outsourced for 13 years. It is prepared, copied onto a memory stick and sent to a printer. The Contests and Awards Booklet is updated and appears on the website. It is not published. The wisdom of not publishing the Contests and Awards Booklet with the Roster and Constitution and By-Laws is being discussed.

Under Specific Functions:

- The MD19 Newspaper now has the support of an Editor who does the layout of the newspaper and works with the MD19 Office to secure articles, create articles etc.
- The statistics for the Border Crossing also provide the statistics for the Contests and Awards. The same file is used and the compilation is not duplicated.
- The MD19 Roster is not printed by the MD19 Office. We request the help of the District Governors and District Governors Elect and the Zone Chairpersons to get the required information. When this is not successful, we reach out to others and sometimes contact the clubs ourselves. Printing a roster with empty spaces has proven to be an ineffective document because Zone and District officers do not generally insert the information as it is provided in the *Border Crossing*. The MD19 staff spends much time during the first few months of the Lions year on the phone or responding to emails explaining the reason for the blanks appearing in the roster or pointing those requesting the information to the *Border Crossing* where they can find the information. **This year there are 47 missing Club Officer Update Forms and two club branch update forms. The MD19 Office will not print the roster with this many blank spaces. It would not be prudent to use our money printing such an incomplete roster.**
- Some individuals do not understand the following statement, 'Our job is to educate as well as provide information.' If someone requests information that we know can be found elsewhere, we tell them where it can be found, but do not provide it. That is sometimes irritating to the Lions, but if we do not instruct them where to look for the information, they will continue to come back to us. The MD office tries to avoid that for the sake of efficiency.
- WMMRs and LCIF checks are no longer sent to the MD19 Office. The LCIF checks are sent directly to International and we are sent a report by the LCIF Department. The membership changes reported on the WMMRs are gleaned from the LCI website.

Further changes and updates from the 'Business Process and Organizational Assessment Report' will be reported to the COG as future progress and changes are noted and undertaken. These changes will involve the Council as much as the office because they are recommendations for strategic planning by the Council that will be supported by the office."

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Dan Comsia, 19-C and seconded by PDG Kay Metz, 19-F to accept the Long Range Planning Report as presented. Motion passed.

REPORTS FROM THE MD19 LEMPRR (Global Leadership / Membership) TEAM, VCC Hal Palmer, Facilitator:

LEADERSHIP REPORT by PCC Allan Hunt, Chairperson:

"A total of seven Leadership 101 presentations have been made during this Lions year. It is anticipated that we will have presentations in all nine districts next year. We are bringing more teachers on board which will lighten the load on everyone.

There were 39 Lions from eight districts who participated in the Northwest Lions Leadership Institute in Lake Oswego, OR this year. We look for great things from these Lions in the future, no pressure at all!

District Governors Elect, 1st Vice District Governors Elect and Zone Chairpersons Elect training will follow immediately after the Spring Council of Governors' meeting. This is the first time that the ZC Elect School will not be associated with the MD Annual Convention. Some of the training sessions will have participation by all three groups, something that we have not had the ability to do before.

We have a good group of presenters and anticipate that the group of 'Elects' will come forward as a team for the coming year.

For the future, Leadership 101 will continue to be the first step in the door towards the regional leadership institute. As MD19 is hosting the NW Lions Leadership Institute this coming year, there should be a good turnout of MD19 Lions. I will continue to work with each of the District Governors to ensure that, to the best of our ability, their Leadership training needs are being met.”

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT REPORT by PZC Ron Smircich, Chairperson: (Oral report)

Our Faculty Development Program has made a lot of progress this past year. We have 73 graduates from our MD19 Faculty Development Institute and they are now members of our Faculty Development Team. We also have 24 presentations that we've developed to be given at the club level, plus we have four officer training modules.

Our Faculty Development Team is comprised of experienced Lions. They include Past District Governors, Past Zone Chairpersons and Past Club Presidents. They have leadership experience and are ready and willing to go out to the clubs and make presentations and talk to the Lions about critical issues.

I am also pleased to mention that we have had three of our sitting District Governors go through the Faculty Development Institute this year as well as four of the incoming District Governors. They have a good understanding of what our goal is, which is to communicate to the clubs, to inform them and to motivate them to take action in a wide variety of areas.

It is planned to have on our MD19 Website a list of all of our Faculty Development Team members so a club has access to their contact information. We will also have a listing of all the presentations currently available.

I also want to mention that we will have a meeting at the Fall Annual Convention in Yakima, with our Faculty Development Team members. They will talk about the program, talk about their experiences and get some feedback on how we can improve it.

As an example of what this program is able to accomplish, we started giving presentations in District 19-C, not only at the club level, but at zone meetings as well for the “Lion for Life” mentoring program. As a result, in 19-C there is a 90% enrollment in that particular program. This is an example of how communicating to the clubs can have some positive effects.

TRAINING REPORT by PDG Steve Somerset, Chairperson: (Oral report)

The Zone Chairperson's training school is basically what I have been charged with for the remainder of this year. It begins this evening going through Saturday. There are some changes being made this year as to the approach of the training in that we are going to make the training more interactive. This way we feel that, if we can get the Zone Chairpersons more involved and get the feel of what is going to be expected of them at the multiple district level, recognizing that when they go back into their own district that they may still need further training to fulfill specific requirements of the district's needs.

We have a number of presenters coming in to speak to different topics. We have incoming 2nd Vice District Governor Marilynn Danby and District Governor Dam Comsia (both from 19-C) coming to speak on various topics. EST Patty Allen will be doing the ever famous presentation on forms and expenses.

EXTENSION REPORT by PCC Jim McCown, Chairperson:

“The only district that has actually accomplished anything in Extension this year is District 19-B. They have already chartered two clubs, in Sultan and North Bend and have a branch club about to form in Normandy Park. They also have enough to charter another club in downtown Seattle. To date they have over 36 members and although they will have their charter before the end of the year, they expect to have their Charter Night sometime in late July or early August. Congratulations District Governor Art Ruben and your Extension Chairpersons, PDG Enoch Rowland and 1st Vice District Governor Bill Simons.

I know other districts have done preliminary work on extension but they have not reported any success to date. It looks like the only district that will have a strong increase in membership through extension will be district B.

We do have a few weeks left this year and if you have a community that you think we can put a new club in, let me know, and I will spend a few days with you in making it happen. It can happen.”

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT by PDG Melba Fujiura, Chairperson:

“We have been promoting the road sign contest with a deadline date of July 1, 2011. If your club has upgraded or created a new sign, please enter it by sending pictures to me via e-mail or regular mail. My address is in the roster book.

Speaking of the roster book, I created an advertisement for inclusion in the roster book that most of you will receive later in August.

I have been contributing to Border Crossing regularly.

Promoting Leadership 101 and participation at the Northwest Lions Leadership Institute is ongoing.

Encouraging participation at 'Lions at the OK Corral', the Fall Annual Convention in October this year, is a priority for me. PDG Larry Carley and I have been working hard on creating a fun event.

I am privileged to serve MD19 and welcome input.”

SPECIAL EVENTS REPORT by PDG Joan Hunter, Chairperson:

“Suggestions for Future Seminars from the Evaluation Sheets from Pasco

- Lion for Life
- Conflict Management
- Break up Faculty Development into two different Seminars
- More seminars like Faculty Development Program
- Teach Lion for Life Faculty
- Forming a Leo Club
- More training for new Presidents
- Pet emergency awareness
- Do a seminar for Hearing as the Eye Research seminar
- Follow up and new studies: Eye Research
- Bring CARE back for a follow-up
- LCIF programs in other countries
- PROGRAMS that the MD 19 is supporting
- Continue having Zone Chairman seminars and training especially
- When you have a pushy District Governor
- A seminar on marketing in general
- 101 Programs

There also will be Round Table Discussions for Presidents, Secretaries, Zone Chairpersons and many more.”

RETENTION REPORT by PZC Gord Graves, Chairperson:

“I would like to bring you up to date on our Lion for Life program. As of April 25th we have 142 clubs registered. District **A...17, B...4, C...51, D... 8, E...7, F...7, G...22, H...22, & I...6**. That is a far cry from the 50% goal that was set at the last Council Meeting. I am hoping that when the May stats come in, we will be closer to our goal.

As you know almost all districts are down in membership and what our DG's & VDG's need to be looking at are strong membership and retention teams. This team needs to be looking at why their members are

leaving Lions. They should educate their clubs in the 'Lion for Life' program. This will educate their new Lions in our great organization, will train future leaders and will bring in new members.

At the DG's/VDG's & ZC School in Wenatchee, we will be promoting the 'Lion for Life' and the 'Strive for Five' programs and we need the help of the Past DG's and the Council of Governors to make this and our Multiple District grow in membership. I am hoping that in the 2011 / 2012 year, we will have at least 75% signed up for 'Lion for Life' with a goal of 100%."

Applications are now being accepted for the MD19 Leadership and Public Relations positions. The term will start in 2012. The applications need to be in to the MD19 Office by October 31st.

CONSTITUTION & BY-LAW VOTE

The motion with regards to the Constitution & By-Laws report that was delayed until after lunch was now addressed. The vote was called for and the result is as follows:

ORIGINAL MOTION RESTATED: A motion was made by District Governor Gary Reidel, 19-I and seconded by PDG Kay Metz, 19-F to recommend a DO Pass for Article 1, Section 5 of the MD19 Constitution & By-Laws for the proposed dues increase with a possible annual rate increase of 3% subject to approval of the Council of Governors and a balanced annual budget. Motion failed.

New wording for Article 1, Section 5 of the MD19 Constitution & By-Laws as presented by PDG Mark Koelsch, Chairperson:

"The per capita tax for Multiple District 19 dues shall be levied semi-annually. The cost per member semi-annually shall be nine dollars and thirty cents (\$9.30). Commencing July 1, 2013 and continuing at the beginning of every fiscal year thereafter, the semi-annual cost per member may be increased at an annual rate of up to 3%, subject to approval BY the Council of Governors and approval of a balanced annual budget. The per capita tax shall be apportioned as prescribed in the MD19 Policy Manual."

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Dan Comsia, 19-C and seconded by District Governor Terry Sutfin, 19-G to recommend a 'Do Pass' on the newly worded proposed amendment to Article I, Section 5, of the MD19 Constitution & By-Laws as presented by PDG Mark Koelsch, contingent upon approval of said new wording by the Constitution & By-Laws committee. Motion passed with one negative vote.

OLD BUSINESS

2012 FALL ANNUAL CONVENTION by EST Patty Allen: oral report

I would like to let the Council and everyone here know that we met with the people in District 19-I and we now have a convention chairperson and co-chairperson. It will be Leslie and Burnie Smith from the Nanaimo Lions Club. We have a treasurer and registration chairperson – PDG Steve Somerset and the Salt Spring Island Lions Club. We have met with the Convention Centre and we made a deposit. Yesterday was very exciting; I told someone we were going to Nanaimo in 2012 and that person said, "Oh Yes!" So this is good. It will be lots of fun. The team is already working diligently on a crazy theme.

Start looking forward to 2012 after having a great time at the 2011 Fall Annual Convention in Yakima, WA. We are going to the 2nd Fall Annual Convention in Nanaimo, B.C. The date is October 11-13, 2012.

The committee is also already at work creating a schedule for picking people up who walk on the ferry rather than to the Convention. It won't be *carte blanche* for any ferry but they will have a schedule of times when they will pick up people from the ferry.

EVALUATION COMMITTEE NOMINATION

Approval of the MD19 Evaluation Committee Member for D, E, and F. Nominee: PDG Brian Ross, 19-E.

MOTION: A motion was made by PDG Norma Bent, 19-D and seconded by VCC Hal Palmer to accept the nomination of PDG Brian Ross as representative for D, E, and F for the Evaluation Committee. Motion passed.

POLICY MANUAL REPORT by PDG Steve Somerset, Chairperson: Oral portion pertaining to request from IT Chairperson regarding the Website:

We got presented this morning a request from Sandy Ball, the MD19 Webmaster regarding passwords used for the MD19 Website. The members of the Policy Manual met last night and decided that we would put forth a recommendation following the lines of what was submitted. So the Policy Manual committee is going to make this recommendation for Chapter V (5), 'Communications', letter B, which is the MD19 Website, a new paragraph, and this would be paragraph #5. And it would read as follows:

"All passwords, login information and technical information regarding the MD19 website and email accounts be provided to the newly appointed and Council approved webmaster immediately following approval at the MD19 Council of Governors' Spring (June) Council Meeting. This information will be held on file at the MD19 Office."

The reason that this was brought forward was that the passwords were not being held or being recorded and created a major issue when we changed internet providers. And we need to preserve our integrity and our publications on our website.

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Gary Reidel, 19-I and seconded by PDG Kay Metz, 19-F to accept the recommendation from the MD19 Policy Manual committee for a new #5 under section B, MD19 Website in Chapter X, 'Communications' regarding passwords. Motion passed.

Written report

"The Policy Manual Committee is recommending just one change at the Council of Governors' Meeting as follows:-

As a result of the Winter COG meeting held in Chilliwack the council removed their endorsement of the NW Lions Foundation for Sight and Hearing. Therefore Chapter IX Paragraph B3 needs to be deleted.

The rationale is that the first line in Chapter IX states 'the following Foundations and Societies are operating within the boundaries of MD19, having received the approval of the Council at a regular meeting of that body, as per the requirements stated in the MD19 Constitution and By-Laws, Article V, Section 3.'"

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Mike Conley, 19-D and seconded by District Governor Terry Sutfin, 19-G to remove from the MD19 Policy Manual, Chapter IX, Letter B, #3 which references the Northwest Lions Foundation for Sight and Hearing. Motion passed with 9 for and 2 against.

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Dan Comsia, 19-C and seconded by District Governor Terry Sutfin, 19-G that the action of the Council of Governors at the February 12, 2011 Winter Council Meeting concerning the Northwest Lions Foundation for Sight and Hearing remain in effect for the period of one year. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON FUNDRAISER by Fred Minifie

"MD19 Lions Eye Summit: 'Gained in Translation'"

The attached document proposes MD19 funding for a series of four (4) Ophthalmology Symposia designed to increase knowledge of improved treatments for a variety of eye diseases. This proposal was approved in concept at the 2011 Winter Meeting of the MD19 Council of Governors held in Chilliwack, B.C. and formally accepted for implementation at the Spring Meeting of the Council of Governors held in Wenatchee, Washington on June 2, 2011. In essence the proposal is to hold a series of four (4) Ophthalmology Symposia. The first symposium would be held in Spring/Summer of 2012 in the Vancouver, B.C. area and followed by three annual symposiums alternating between the Seattle, WA area and the Vancouver B.C. area.

- 2012 Vancouver, B.C. area
- 2013 Seattle, WA area
- 2014 Vancouver, B.C. area
- 2015 Seattle, WA area

PURPOSE

The purpose of these conferences is to create a venue for forthright discussions about the latest research findings on eye disease and clinical treatment of such disease by Ophthalmologists practicing in British Columbia, Washington and Northern Idaho. An important goal of these conferences is to increase the amount of interchange of ideas/data among Ophthalmologists in British Columbia, WA and ID. These conferences will prominently recognize the support of the MD 19 Lions as the sole source of support. (For example, no financial support would be sought from pharmaceutical companies, a potentially compromising influence on the open discussion of treatment issues.) Leading Lions from MD19 would be invited to attend the conferences. From the Lions perspective this series of conferences should result in improved clinical service delivery to patients with eye disease who reside in British Columbia, Washington and Northern Idaho and who are typically supported by Lions.

COST

The cost of each of the proposed conferences is projected at \$25,000. The total budget includes the following projected costs:

- bringing approximately 100 Ophthalmologists from B.C., WA. and Northern ID together for a 2-day conference (including travel, hotel and meal expenses)
- rental of meeting space, display space, and projection equipment
- bringing a top National/International scholar/physician who specializes in research and/or treatment of eye disease to present a Keynote Address at a banquet.
- cost of promotion, communications and registration.

FUNDRAISING

The Lions of MD19 will begin fundraising for this conference by asking for donations from the Lions Clubs in each District. Fundraising for Conference 1 will begin in September of 2011. It is expected that special fundraising activities, idiosyncratic to each Lions Club wishing to support this activity, will be utilized in this endeavor.

During the first annual conference in 2012, we anticipate holding a special fundraising activity among the participants to recognize one of their members with the Lions Helen Keller Vision Award for Excellence in Treatment of Eye Disease. We anticipate that the money raised for the Helen Keller Award will offset the amount of money needed to be raised in the following year. That pattern will be used to prepare for Conferences 2, 3, and 4.

It is proposed that a MD19 committee with the help of local Lions host a special evening to honor a worthy recipient of the Lions Helen Keller Vision Award. The event would be patterned after the successful Medal of Merit event held in Vancouver, Canada and Everett, Washington. It is proposed that the fundraiser be held the final night of the conference and all participants be invited. The event raises money through ticket sales, donations, sponsorships and auctions.

At the request of Lions MD19 Leadership the following proposal was submitted by Dr. Russell Van Gelder, Director of the UW Eye Institute, in 2010.

The Northwest Lions Eye Summit: Gained in Translation:

Unmet need: Washington, British Columbia, and northern Idaho are home to ~9 million people. Approximately 1 million residents of this region either have or will have vision-threatening eye disease including macular degeneration, glaucoma, cataract, and diabetic retinopathy. Approximately 400 ophthalmologists practice in this region as well as 800 optometrists. The region has two major academic medical centers, at University of Washington and University of British Columbia. Each center houses both

basic scientists working on treatments for these conditions, as well as practicing ophthalmologists working to translate these findings to treatment. However, we currently have no regular forum for sharing our discoveries and experiences across the border. Despite being only 3 hours apart, we are doubtless missing opportunities for trans-national collaboration and mutually beneficial exchange of expertise.

Proposal: The University of Washington last year hosted a very successful two day meeting called 'Gained in Translation'. This meeting featured about eight hours of lectures, arranged around individual diseases. For example, we featured talks from our clinicians on retinal degeneration, and from our basic scientists on the latest breakthroughs in stem cell technologies that may lead to cures for these diseases. The meeting was also attended by members of our local biotech industry, who can help bring these treatments to the market. The meeting was universally judged a success by the attendees, and led to a number of fruitful collaborations which are ongoing.

We would propose that, with support of the MD 19 Lions, we would extend this meeting to an annual format, forming a partnership between the Departments of Ophthalmology at the University of British Columbia and University of Washington, to host the *Northwest Lions Eye Summit: Gained in Translation* meeting. We believe these meetings would provide a mechanism through which cutting edge clinical technologies for the treatment of eye disease within MDE19 can be made immediately available to ophthalmologists practicing within British Columbia, Washington, and Northern Idaho. These "Gained in Translation" meetings should significantly reduce the time delays between potential breakthrough clinical research in these excellent research laboratories and clinical practice. By supporting this project, the Lions of MD19 will support improved treatments for patients with eye diseases within its service areas.

This two day meeting would alternate annually between Vancouver and Seattle. The meeting would include: at least 8 hours of lectures linking basic science advances at our mutual campuses with clinical practice in the region; an internationally renowned clinician-scientist to give our keynote talk; and a 'poster' session for students, residents, and trainees to share their current research. The meeting would be open to all interested scientists, ophthalmologists, and optometrists in the entire region.

We would have a banquet around the keynote speech, and would prominently feature Lion's leadership throughout the event, including use of Lion's branding in all materials. The meeting would be open to the community.

Lions' support would help defray costs for: speakers' travel expenses; meeting room and AV rental; travel and honorarium for the keynote speaker; promotional materials; refreshments during the meeting; and the banquet. We would endeavor to keep the meeting free of tuition for all interested attendees. Lions' support would allow us to host this meeting without industrial support, keeping it free of bias. We would anticipate attendance of 100 or more professionals from throughout the region at the meeting. We would invite leadership from MD-19 Lions Clubs to attend the meeting and banquet as well. The Lions logo would be prominently featured in all materials related to this conference.

We would propose a trial of four years' meetings (two at each site), with Lions support of \$25,000/year. A detailed budget will follow."

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Judy Portas, 19-H and seconded by PDG Kay Metz, 19-F for MD19 to hold an ophthalmology conference ('Gained in Translation') in 2012 in Vancouver, B.C. and for MD19 Lions clubs to engage in the fundraising activities necessary to support the event. Motion passed

Council Chairperson Mike Gayda gave a list of names of individuals who are interested in heading up the committee to work towards the success of having a "Gained in Translation" summit:

District Governor Terry Sutfin, 19-G	EST Patty Allen
District Governor Dan Comsia, 19-C	CC Mike Gayda
PDG Jerry Flood, 19-E	PZC Carol Conley, 19-D
PDG Bob Ekler, 19-E	PCC Dick Risley, 19-C
PZC Ron Smircich, 19-C	PDG Carol Whitman, 19-F
Fred Minifie, 19-B	PDG Gary Lockert, 19-B

PROJECT NEW HOPE-MILITARY FAMILY RETREATS by DG Dan Comsia for Joel Graves, Director: Oral report

Joel Gray, who was supposed to be with us got his days mixed up as he was here yesterday for the Pre-Council Meeting and talked about Project New Hope.

I received a call two weeks ago from Julie Madsen, who is the head of Mental Health Services for the Washington National Guard. She said, "Dan, there was a guy who tried to take his own life on Mother's Day. Can you see him?" There was another call from Julie about a man who was having a crisis of faith because he had to pull his best friend out of a Striker that was hit by an IED and killed his best friend. These are the realities of those who are going through deployment these days. A young man who tried to take his life and thought he was nothing but trash. Or the guy who is having a crisis of faith and is really struggling. Along with these people, who have gone through deployment, there is the struggle that takes place each day in their families. Spouses and significant others who just don't realise that the person who left for war is not the same person who came back.

What if the Lions had a program that helped these families to have some skills and tools and training to help them strengthen their families after deployment? Reduce the risks of suicide, which are horrendous, especially in the army. We do have something; it's called "Project New Hope". It's a Lions Clubs International sanctioned program. It started in the Mid-West and we have taken on in District 19-C to provide weekend retreats, at no cost to military families.

This is something that I believe needs to be a part of Multiple District 19. We have soldiers on both sides of the border standing shoulder to shoulder in these conflicts. We have military folk from both sides of the border that suffer from PTSD (post traumatic stress disorder) and from traumatic brain injury that could use our help.

We've had two very good retreats. As a result of the first one a spouse support group was formed and is still going and has attracted other people to help them understand the effects of war trauma or traumatic brain injury. This is something that I know each district struggles with and I would like to see expanded to our whole multiple district.

We are putting on four retreats in district 19-C and what I did was to ask each club to contribute \$240 and some did much more than that, but we raised enough to hold those four retreats. We've done two and we have two more to go and it has made a huge difference. Two hundred and forty dollars per club and it will make a difference in the lives of some of our military personnel and their families.

If you are interested, and I don't know what kind of action we need to take about that, we are ready and available and very interested in expanding this to districts outside of C. We are going to be meeting with people at the naval station in Everett, WA (19-B) in doing some work with naval personnel.

There are no borders when it comes to taking care of our military folk, so please let us know if we can be of help. Please consider that for your own districts; it really does make a difference in the lives of those who have served us so well with honor, with courage and with dignity for our freedom.

VICE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON VACANCY by Parliamentarian PDG Chuck Waid: Oral report

As it was explained last night we would love to fill the position of Vice Council Chairperson, but the By-Laws state that once the position is vacant it stays vacant. So, come October we get to vote for PDG Gary Lockert, if he's still running as Vice Council Chairperson and as Council Chairperson at the same time. Then we need to go through it again next year until we get a Constitution and By-Laws change.

REPORTS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

FALL ANNUAL CONVENTION REPORT by PDG's Larry Carley and Melba Fujiura, Co-Chairpersons:

"Well, Pard's, my scouts tell me that the cowboys are getting restless, and their red sashes are flying freely in the breeze. So, just to let you know, my Co-Chairperson and I have loosened up our **GUNS**, and sharpened our **SPURS** for the occasion. The only problem is, the Sheriff keeps taking our guns away

because of the, (now get this), '**CARRY NO GUNS IN TOWN ACT**'. Isn't that the craziest thing you ever heard of?

WANTED ALIVE POSTERS, LIONS AT THE OK CORRAL, (Convention Registrations) are on the printing press, and will be out soon, for you all to get registered for the **Fall Annual Convention in Yakima, WA. At the Yakima Convention Center & the Howard Johnsons Host Hotel, October 13, 14, 15, 2011.**

Convention Registration opens at 4:00 P.M. Wednesday October 12, 2011 at the Host Hotel main lobby. The festivities will start with the Pre-Council Dinner at the Capital Theater Robertson Room, Wednesday evening at 6:00 P.M., and move on to the Pre-Council meeting at the Howard Johnson Hotel, 7:00 P.M.

Thursday morning Convention Registration re-opens at 8:00 A.M. and the Council of Governor's Meeting will convene at 8:30 A.M. at the Howard Johnsons Host Hotel. Check your program for possible time and meeting room locations changes. Voting Certification Table opens at 1:00 P.M.

At 3:00 P.M. climb on your horse, or get in your covered wagon, buggy, or stage coach, because we are going to **Elks Youth Park** for an unforgettable Barbeque & Horseshoe Pitching Tournament. Council of Governor's get your District Teams selected. (Teams of four) Any club in your district is eligible, and each district will be color coded. Who knows, maybe your district will walk away with the winning prize.

On Thursday 7:30 P.M. the first **Fall Annual Convention Opening General Session** will convene at the Howard Johnsons Host Hotel, but under the cover of darkness, and armed guards, we will be moving to the **Yakima Convention Center for the Second General Session set to Convene at 8:30 A.M. Friday October 14, 2011**, and remain there for the rest of the Convention. From that point on you will experience fun and fellowship at its best. Be prepared for, dancing, singing, wonderful seminars, Contests & Awards, good food, bowling, wine tours, museum tour, good speakers, Fun Night, and much, much more.

The Closing General Session will convene at 9:00 A.M. Saturday October 15, 2011, followed with more events, and the Lions Appreciation Banquet at 7:00 P.M. Saturday.

Come prepared to have a great time, and enjoy the wonderful Yakima fall weather. '**One thing**' - we have posted armed guards at the gates leaving town to make sure you don't try to take any of our nice fall weather home with you.

Have a great Convention."

Current Past District Governors on the Council of Governors traded places with the incoming District Governor Elects.

NEW BUSINESS

2011-2012 MD19 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

The following 2011-12 MD19 Committee appointments were brought before the Council for approval:
Budget & Finance: PDG Brien Patton, 19-G, Chairperson; DG Mike Conley, 19-D; PDG Jon Whitman, 19-F,
committee members

Building: John Hooley, Chairperson

Canadian LERC: PDG Carol Simkin, 19-H

CARE Fred Minifie, Chairperson

Constitution & By-Laws: PDG Mark Koelsch, 19-G, Chairperson;

Contests & Awards: PZC Rena Larson, Chairperson; PZC Tom Saylor, 3rd year committee member

Fall Annual Convention (2011): PDG Larry Carley and PDG Melba Fujiura, both 19-F

USA/Canada Forum: PZC Cheryl Ekler

Diabetes Awareness: PZC Jan Norman, 19-C

Environment:

Global Leadership/Membership Team

Leadership (09-12): PCC Allan Hunt

Faculty Development (09-12): PZC Ron Smircich

Special Events Coordinator (11-14): PZC September Stokes
Training Chairperson (11-13): PDG Steve Somerset
Extension (10-13): PCC Jim McCown
Membership (11-14): PZC Marco Radunz
Membership Assist. (11-14): PDG Larry Carley
Public Relations (09-12): PDG Melba Fujiura
Retention (10-13): PZC Gord Graves
Information & Technology: PZC Ken Ball, 19-H
Webmaster: PZC Sandy Ball
International Participation: PID Dur Roberson, 19-H, Chairperson
LCIF – BC: PDG Marilyn Martin
LCIF – US: PDG Joan Hunter
Leader Dogs: PDG Carol Whitman, Chairperson
LEO: PZC Karl Ostheller, Chairperson
Lioness: Sonia Ayotte
Lions Opportunity for Youth:
Lions Quest – BC: PDG Norma Bent
Lions Quest – US: PDG John Wojahn
Memorial Garden: PZC Kathy Crawford
Long Range Planning: PDG Brian Ross, Chairperson;
Parliamentarian: PCC Jim Kemp
Policy Manual: PDG Chuck Waid, 19-C, Chairperson; PZC Steve Staudinger, 19-G, committee member
Youth Exchange: PZC Lynne Davidson, Chairperson

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Terry Sutfin, 19-G and seconded by District Governor Dan Comsia, 19-C to approve the 2011-12 MD19 Committee appointments. Motion passed.

The current Parliamentarian, PDG Chuck Waid ruled that the earlier vote on the Budget was invalid as it should have been voted on by the incoming 2011-12 Council and not the current Council so it needed to be brought back to the floor to be revoted on.

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Elect Gerald Mottl, 19-E and seconded by District Governor Elect Al Beddows, 19-I that the earlier motion concerning the acceptance of the 2011-12 Budget be brought back to the floor. Motion passed.

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Elect Al Beddows, 19-I and seconded by District Governor Elect Gerald Mottl, 19-E to accept the 2011-2012 Budget as presented. Motion passed.

The exchange of pins from Council Chairperson to Vice Council Chairperson took place as well as the Council Chairperson banner from the Lakewood Lions Club to the Longview Pioneer Lions Club.

Announcement: Registrations will begin at 3 PM for the District and Zone Officer Elect School.

Upcoming Events:

2011 Fall Annual Convention	October 13-15	Yakima Convention Center
Winter Council Meeting	February 18, 2012	Harrison Hot Springs, BC
Spring Council Mtg & Officer Training	June 7-9, 2012	Red Lion, Wenatchee, WA
2012 Fall Annual Convention	October 11-13	Nanaimo Convention Centre

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.