**Lions Clubs International**

**Multiple District N**

**Council of Governor’s Meeting**

**Quality Inn Halifax Airport**

**August 17-18, 2018**

Meeting called to order by Council Chair Paul Cousins at 7:00 pm on August 17, 2018 with following in attendance:

PCC Peter Reid N2, Communications DG Perry Oliver N2

DG Edgar Hunt N3 DG Jennifer Hutchings N4

PCC Susan Sangster N1, C&BL DG Jim Aucoin N1

PDG Gerry Hartigan (N1), Budget & Audit Lion Terrance Clarke N4, Pin Chair

CST Brenda Billard N2 PCC Stewart MacDonald N1, GLT MD

Lion Heather MacDonald N1, GST PDG Boyd Sangster, N1

Lion Cleve Rix, N1 PCC Bev Semple, N1 MD LCIF

Lion Theresa Cousins, N1 Lion Bill Bruhm, N2 GMT for N2

2nd VDG Jane Gregory, N2 2nd VDG Paul Gauthier, N1

CC Paul called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Moment of Silence for Deceased Members and World Peace and in remembrance of the two police officers killed recently in Fredericton, NB then followed by the Lions Invocation.

CC Paul had everyone introduce themselves.

CC Paul gave opening remarks, thanking everyone for attending. District Governor’s this is your year and so we expect you to give the Multiple some direction to us which way you want us to go as well.

CC Paul asked if there was any additions to the Agenda. Hearing none he asked for the approval of the Agenda as presented.

 DG Perry moved to accept the Agenda and was seconded by DG Jim. Motion carried.

Minutes from the New Council meeting held in Corner Brook, NL in May were sent out by email and DG Edgar moved their acceptance and DG Jennifer had seconded.

CC Paul asked if there was any business arising from these minutes.

**CC Remarks**

CC Paul directed this to the District Governor’s. He stated he would like to have a Multiple District Project this year, as last year we held a project where funds were raised to fund LFC towards a Dog Guide. He asked that the Governor’s meet after this meeting to discuss a project that all Districts of the Multiple uses ie. the IWK, Brigadoon, Ronald MacDonald House or something else that you might think of. There are many ideas out there so hopefully you will be able to settle on one and bring back one for tomorrow that all 4 Districts can support and raise funds for.

**DG Reports**

**District N2**

CC Paul fellow District Governors Lions all

The Lions of District N2 continue to work in their Communities and for the District

Most clubs do not meet regularly over the Summer months but are active in their areas with Community fairs, BBQs and summer events all promoting the name of Lionism.

This year we opened our membership count with 1776 we have added seventeen members dropped twenty six giving a net loss of nine members . This month to date we have added six and dropped six members. Overall five members have been dropped by Dalhousie Campus Club , six have transferred and not picked up elsewhere , one member moved and three have been dropped due to death leaving our current membership at 1767 a net loss of nine .

Our numbers are expected to turn upward in the near future with the opening of University in September Dalhousie will again recruit new members, the realization of the Acadia Campus Club as well new members and transfers throughout the District being properly recorded when regular meeting resume

A successful Summer Cabinet DGO was hosted by the Sackville (NS) Lions Club with 154 members in attendance. here a committee was struck to look into the feasibility of doing a District Project For the IWK Children's Hospital Oncology and Hematology Dept.

The Application for Charter Club status for the Tatamagouche and District 2018 Lions Club has been signed and forwarded and now awaits LCI approval.

I have sent out my Schedule of Official Club visits which begin September 4, 2018

Fall Cabinet is being hosted by Lawrencetown Lions Club October 12,13, 2018.

I am looking forward to a busy eventful year and working with all Lions in Multiple District N

Respectfully Submitted

L/Perry

DG N2

**District N1**

2017-18:

* Year end total clubs – 79
* Year end total members -1802
* YTD add -248
* YTD drop – 229
* YTD net growth – 19
* New clubs – 1

I would like to thank PDG Paul Cousins and the District N1 team for the hard work throughout the year as we made some great accomplishments. District N1 was in the top 10 for net growth % and new member growth % for the year.

2018-2019:

* Current total clubs – 79
* Current membership count – 1797
* YTD add – 9
* YTD drop – 13 (4 to death)
* Membership 12 months ago – 1777
* Average membership count per club – 23
* Percentage of clubs with less than 20 members – 57%

Goals for 2018-19

1. Membership:
* +49 for a year end total – 1851
* 2 new clubs with a Lions Club in the second quarter and a Campus club in the third quarter
* Membership target drop – 169
* Theme of “Just Ask”
1. Leadership:
* Delivery of training for the Incoming Officers at the Annual Convention and the Zone level
* Training of the Zone Chairs at the Zone level in NB (2 sites) and PEI (1 site) following the Annual Convention
* Diabetes rollout at the first Cabinet meeting on September 16th in St. Eleanors, PEI
* “Sponsoring and Retaining New Members” training at the second Cabinet meeting on November 18th in Sussex
1. Service:
* District Governor’s service project will be to raise $40,000.00 to support the Diabetes Camps in NB and PEI with a “Parade of Cheques” at the District N1 Annual Convention on April 5 – 7, 2019 in Fredericton
* Rollout of Diabetes projects for Diabetes Awareness Month at the Cabinet meeting on September 16 in St. eleanors, PEI
* Ensure all Clubs appoint a GST Club Coordinator
1. Lions Clubs International Foundation:
* To encourage clubs and individuals to donate to the “Campaign 100” program
* Rollout of the “Campaign 100” project at Awards Banquet on September 15 in St. Eleanors, PEI
* Ensure all Clubs appoint LCIF Club Coordinator

The District Governor’s motto for 2018 – 2019 is “We Serve/Nous Servons” with the theme of “Just Ask”. Visitations will start on September 11th.

Respectfully submitted

DG Jim Aucoin

**District N4**

CC Chair Paul, CST Brenda, MD Chairs, fellow District Governors, Lions.

District N4 started the year with 1214 members, 3 were added, lost 3 through death, four resigned in Good Standing (mainly health). Balance 1210.

Our first Cabinet Meeting for this Lions year was held on Sunday, August 12th at Come By Chance Lions Club. We started with lunch at 12 and then went into the meeting. 29 of 51 Clubs were represented, (4 from our newest Paradise Centennial Club) 7 of 10 Zone Chairs were in attendance & 31 District Chairs, with a total of 55 Lions.

1st VDG, 2nd VDG, & CST were all installed to their positions as well as Zone & District Chairs.

The Audited Financial Report for 2017-2018 was presented and accepted. The budget for 2018-2019 was presented and accepted.

A representative from Pediatric Cancer Committee gave a brief report of their plans for this coming year. Hoping to hold a retreat for Pediatric Cancer children and their families at the Lion Max Simms Memorial Camp June 2019, with the hopes of clubs in the District donating to offset the expenses. The following year hoping to purchase a piece of medical equipment for the Pediatric Unit of The Janeway Hospital through LCIF.

CLT Chair Lion Renee introduced herself and her team. Training sessions will take place at the LMSMC October 5-7, for Districts N3 & N4. Cost to attend is $95 per person. Sessions planned are History of LCI, Team Building, Public Speaking, Hunger in Action, Smart Goals, Service in Action & Surviving Change.

I gave a brief introduction to the New Voices Initiative.

Presented International Presidents Goals as well as my own and showed IP Guodron’s video.

Ride to the Max is taking place this weekend, attendance will be down this year.

Dates of Cabinet meetings & Conventions were distributed.

I have 10 visits scheduled to date and I have asked all Clubs to book as soon as possible.

Our first District Newsletter will be published in early September.

Thanks to our District PR Chair Lion Roxanne Oates, I was interviewed for a local newspaper. My story and photo appeared in the July 18th edition of The Shoreline News and The Pearl. It has also been posted on Facebook.

I am looking forward to a fantastic year.

DG Jennifer Hutchings

District N4

**District N3**

CC Paul, CST Brenda, Fellow DG’s, Cabinet members and Lions

I am happy to report that the great District of N3 is alive and well and growing in “leaps and bounds”. As of yesterday, August 16, N3 had a membership of 1137 up from 1013 about a year ago, a net increase of 124members or approx 13%. Numbers that we’re very happy with. We now have 43 Clubs, up 5 over less than two years, and with at least one more in the works. All Clubs are fairly active in their respective communities, even though maybe 2-3 of them are very low in membership and often struggle financially. We hope to address these issues in the coming months. Our retention rate appears to have improved significantly and we have not had any clubs cancelled in recent years.

N3, as I’m sure most of you are aware, has recently been recognized for leading all of Canada in net membership growth for the second consecutive year. I might also mention that our percentage of women membership is also growing steadily. Needless to say, we’re very happy and excited about what is happening in our District with membership numbers.

The recent formation of two Clubs: Viking Trails on the Northern Peninsula and Blanc Sablon on the Labrador coast, gave me the honour of standing on the international stage in Las Vegas and being recognized for forming these two Clubs: meeting a challenge put forth by IP Yngvadottir. It was a very proud moment fellow Lions to see my name on the screen, and the only one from Canada. It was great to be a Canadian and equally as great to be a Lion. Of course, I would be remiss not to mention the hard work of GMT Chairperson PDG Lion Valerie Clarke and her committee who worked tirelessly to make that possible. To them I send a very sincere Thank You for that proud moment.

We have four very capable Lions, four women, already in place for the New Voices Initiative categories: Service, Membership, Leadership and Marketing.

I would also like to mention at this time, that PDG Lion Valerie Clarke has been selected as a Constitutional Area Speaker, representing Canada, for the New Voices Initiative promoted by our International President. We are very proud and honoured to have a Lion from our District in that position and we wish her nothing but great success. Congratulations to PDG Valerie.

District GLT Chair PCC Penny Pike and her committee conducted a very comprehensive and very successful Leadership Training Program for all Zones last year and already has laid out plans for this year beginning with a comprehensive Leadership Workshop on the weekend of October 5-7. This is for both N3 & N4. Again, I thank them for their commitment and hard work.

Over the past year, N3 also saw the formation of three new Leo clubs, bringing our total to 4 with hopes for more. Our District sponsored what was apparently a very successful Spring Leo Conference at Killdevil Lodge in June. Plans are already in place, for another later this year at LMSMC.

We also have three Branch Clubs and Four Lioness Clubs, and all appear to be doing well.

There is no doubt that N2 is looking “Beyond the Horizon”. Looking to a membership of 1250 and beyond in the next year or so.

Even though all Centennial/Legacy projects have now been concluded, of course, which also proved to be very successful in our District, I feel it created an impetus for other things. I think it gave us something to build on.

Most Clubs are engaged in activities relating to all five global causes: Diabetes, Environment, Youth Services/Pediatric Cancer, Vision & Hunger. All clubs continue activities that relate to some of the causes, if not all five.

N3 continues to contribute to LCIF, albeit not nearly as much as we would like, since our return from it is far greater than our contributions. We hope to improve the disparity this year. We recently concluded a SAR Command Mobile Unit project for Central Newfoundland with a $130,000.00 Standard Grant from LCIF through the Bishop’s Fall Lions Club.

Our District LCIF Chair, Lion Louis White, recently attended a comprehensive LCIF Educational seminar in Winnipeg and reports that a lot of new and exciting things are in the works for all of us.

The District and individual Clubs also continue to support LFC, the DOG GUIDE program. PCC Lion penny Pike, Corner Brook Club, organized the first ever Ride for Dog Guides in the District this past weekend. Although it may not have been as successful as we hand wanted, we hope it laid the ground work for better things in future years. Thanks to PCC Lion Penny and all who supported it for a great effort.

Of course, our crown jewel, the Lion Max Simms Memorial Camp, in Central Newfoundland, shared equally with N4 continues to be very very popular throughout the District and is well supported financially and otherwise (hands on activities-replacing siding) when needed. The facility continues to be very popular with various groups from across the province and continues to be very busy throughout most of the year (little slow in the winter months). The playground there has just undergone a major upgrade, a newer more modern pontoon boat has been purchased and plans are in the works to replace and upgrade the boat launch. In July, the Camp held its annual Camp-A-Rama, a fun filled weekend, when Lions and their families, from both Districts, come together for socializing and a chance to experience the Camp. The facility is well managed and is in good financial standing. Its future looks very bright.

Al l District Cabinet positions are filled with very capable and enthused Lions. Our first Cabinet Meeting is scheduled for next Saturday, August 25, at the Botwood Club. Our Fall Conference is planned for the weekend of October 19-21 at my home Club of Twillingate. Plans are well in place. Our third Cabinet Meeting is planned for Deer Lake on February 23, 2019 and the Spring Convention is dated for the Greenwood Inn, kCorner Brook, April 26-28 under the guidance of PCC Lion Penny Pike, Corner Brook Club, and Lion Angela Bowdridge of the Summerside, NL Lions Club.

There are a lot of other exciting things happening in District N3, but I think this gives you a good idea that we are very much involved in Lionism and we will carry on well into the future, doing the great things that Lions do best: serving those less fortunate.

Thank You

DG Edgar Hunt

**Presidential Theme – We Serve**

Accomplished people from around the world have led our great association in its over 100-year history. While each international president brings a unique perspective and expertise to Lions Clubs International, there has (and always will be) a single constant that unites all Lions: service. With this as a guide, each president is committed to helping clubs increase their service, and as a result, their impact on our local and global communities.

**Presidential Message – Beyond the Horizon**

There’s a world of service yet to be reached, even by Lions. During International President Gudrun Yngvadottir’s year at the helm of Lions International, we’ll reach within our district, clubs and selves to reach levels of humanitarian good the world has never known.

 **Presidential Focus – Harnessing the Power of 1.4 Million Lions**

International President Yngvadottir’s programs and initiatives will focus around four key elements of Lions International that are important to moving the association forward.

1) Moving membership forward
2) Increasing leadership development
3) Promoting the fellowship of Lions
4) Sharing our stories

**Directory Review**

PCC Peter, MD Communications Chair, passed out draft copies of the 2018-2019 Directory to CC Paul and the 4 District Governors to go through. They went through the directory page by page to confirm info and make changes.

**Budget & Audit**

Lion Gerard passed out the proposed budget for all to look out. This was only passed out for information as the as the Budget for 2018-19 was approved at the Spring Convention. One of the task for the committee this year that needs to be completed is the preparation of the budget for 2019-2020. Lion Gerard will be contacting the 1stVDG to help with this as that will be their year. Lion Gerard is planning on presenting the audited statement in the same format as the budget. He feels it gives a clearer picture of what actually is going on by lining up the administration and separate it from the other revenues and show where the money is coming in and where it is being spent. Lion Gerard would like to know where the Fall Conference for 2019 is being held. Fall Conference for 2019 will be held in N4 and the Spring Convention for 2020 will be held in N1.

**Global Leadership Team**

PCC Stewart stated he had no report as such. PCC Stewart stated he was unable to attend the Spring Convention and has not heard or received any information on how the training went. Communication- without communication we don’t have much. PCC Stewart stated that have the meeting tonight he would like to meet with the District Governors and the Vice District Governors as well as any District GLT and GMT’s in attendance.

**Global Service Team**

Lion Heather stated she had sent her MD Goals to CST Brenda and CC Paul.

Lion Heather stated we all know we started to do a Multiple Global Service Project last year and it was challenging to get the Global Service Coordinators from each District on side in order to do something and to get consenus as to working together on an item that we all are passionate about which was LFC. Approaching the District Coordinators there wasn’t a lot of cooperation we feel that we all know about service and we all know about service in our community but do we all know how to serve together, to work together as a team in service instead of working alone in service. This is a challenge we all need to overcome and our districts need to overcome.

**Constitution & By Laws**

Reviewed items from the Executive Summaries that could require some changes to District and Multiple C&BL or Policy. Requested Council send any questions or concerns as well as any suggested items that need changes or updating.

From the Executive Summaries – June 24-28, 2018

**C& BL Summary**

9. Revised Chapter XV of the Board Policy Manual for organizational purposes, to

consolidate duplicative provisions as well as to remove language that has become

obsolete and to better align with current practices.

11. Revised Chapter XV, Paragraph I of the Board Policy Manual to remove the

Centennial Action Committee as the language is no longer necessary. Noted that the District Governors and Council chair should discourage any further use of the Centennial logo’s.

**Finance and Headquarters**

5. Amended both Chapter **XXI** and Chapter IX of Board Policy related to due dates

on expense claim submissions. Dues dates for Expense Reimbursements submissions remain unchanged but the “60 day” disqualification clause has been removed

**Leadership Development Committee**

3. Revised the board policy manual by adding the language that, beginning with trainings

relevant for the fiscal year 2020-2021, certification through the Lions Certified Instructor

Program will be required to serve as a faculty for the District Governors-Elect Seminar

DGE Seminar and a Lion shall not serve as a District Governors-Elect Seminar group

leader for more than five different years.

4. Revised the board policy manual to include the new Lions Certified Instructor Program

training and the provision that, beginning with fiscal year 2020-2021, certification

through the Lions Certified Instructor Program will be required to serve as a faculty for

the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute, Faculty Development Institute, Emerging Lions

Leadership Institute, and Lions Certified Instructor Program training.

5. Revised the board policy manual by making additions and deletions related to the

reimbursements related to the First Vice District Governor/District Governor Elect

Training Program beginning with fiscal year 2018-2019.

**Membership Development Committee**

6. Revised Chapter X of the Board Policy Manual so that no more than two clubs

can co-sponsor a new club. Policy should be checked

7. Directed that the entrance fee for existing Lioness members be waived when

joining a Lions club until June 30, 2021, and that their years of service be

transferred by completing the Lioness Conversion Program Form.

From the Executive Summaries – April 6-9, 2018

**District and Club Service Committee**

9. Revised the policy regarding official badges to allow two titles be displayed.

10. Revised the Standard Form District By-Laws be revised to require that changes to

zone and regions be approved by the district cabinet and in the best interest of the

clubs, district and the association. District By-Laws will need to be checked for compliance.

**Finance and Headquarters**

3. Revised Chapter XXI of the Board Policy Manual be amended by changing the

precedence of invites for speaking engagements for an authorized meeting.

**Marketing Communications Committee**

2. Revised Chapter XIX, Official Protocol of the Board Policy Manual to reflect a

modification to add Past LCIF Trustees and Past Board Appointees remove

Constitutional Area Executive Staff and Immediate Past Council Chairpersons. This requires change to the Order of precedence.

**Services Activities Committee**

3. Revised Chapter XIII of the Board Policy Manual to reflect current practices. Review

 And update as necessary.

**Respectfully submitted**

PCC Susan Sangster

Constitution and By-Laws Chair

**LCIF**

LCIF MISSION – to support the efforts of Lions Clubs and Partners in serving communities locally and globally, giving hope and impacting lives through humanitarian service projects and grants.

**Total Contributions from MDN**

From 2014 – 2018 **$336,217.16**

**Grants approved for MDN**

N1 $ 95,000.00

N2 84,444.00

N3 256,683.00

N4 225,145.00

MDN 34,910.00

**Total** **$696,182.00**

**Goals:**

* MDN to raise $2,073,600.00 over3 years ($691,200.00 per year)
* Canada to raise $12 million (CDN) over 3 years
* Increase number of club participation in each District
* Encourage individual donations for members of $2.00 per week over 3 years.
* Partnership with non-Lion organizations and businesses
* Send donations to Lions of Canada Fund (money stays in Canada for to LCIF to use in Canada) Tax receipts will be given out for $20.00 and up

Address is : Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF

 c/o Stan Durward

 Box 38

 Sunderland, ON, L0C 1H0

* Model club/Maple Leaf clubs in each District

**Phases and Timelines**

 2018-19 Awareness and Participation

 2019-20 Participation – Fundraising – Giving

 2020-21 Participation – Recognition – Reporting

**We Serve**

* When we serve we impact local communities
* When we give to LCIF we make more service possible for our fellow Lions
* Giving allows us to expand our own impact
* Service is both giving and receiving

**LCIF focuses on 4 core areas**

* Vision
* Youth
* Disaster Relief
* Humanitarian Programs

**Expand to Global causes**

* Diabetes
* Hunger
* Childhood cancer
* Environment

**$100.00 US will allow**

Vision – 2 cataract surgeries

Youth – Lions Quest to entire classroom for 1 year

Diabetes – screening for 18

Humanitarian – measles for 100 children

Disaster Relief – 4 people in the wake of disaster

Environment – generating long term positive ecological impact

**“Helping one person might not change the World,**

**but it could change the World of that one person.”**

**Author Unknown**

Submitted by

MD LCIF Coordinator

PCC Beverly Semple

**Website**

PCC Susan announced that if anyone wanted changes or to have announcements posted please email her.

CC Paul asked for a motion to Recess till morning

DG Perry moved that council recess at 8:35 pm till 9am on Saturday morning. DG Edgar seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

 **August 18, 2018**

CC Paul called the meeting back to order at 9 am on Saturday, August 18, 2018.

New faces were around the table so introductions were done. Joining in on Sat were

PCC Scott MacKenzie (N2) Recycle for Sight Martyn Forshaw (N2) Bedford Lions Secretary

1st VDG Debbie McGinley (N2) 2nd VDG Jane Gregory (N2)

CC Paul welcomed everyone to Saturday’s session.

**Recycle for Sight**

CC Paul , District Governors, Lions;

The MD N Lions Recycle for Sight program continued to operate well over the past Lions year. We have ended 2017-2018 with a funding balance of $ 7344 and so will be well situated for the foreseeable future baring any equipment needs. Thanks to CST Brenda for her excellent accounting of our finances.

Operationally, Bishop’s Falls continues to outperform, handling all eyeglasses from Districts N1, N2 and N3. Unfortunately, the PEI Correctional Center has been unfunctional for several months due to personnel changes. This has created a large backup of inventory in N1 and I apologize to Lion Doug for our inability to clear his backlog. If the situation is not resolved by the end of this month I will move some or all of his glasses to the BFCC.

A few items of interest:

We provided glasses to the Global Brigade at Dalhousie University and in early May they travelled to Honduras where they screened 609 patients and provided glasses to over 100 persons. These groups provide a wonderful service and engage youth at the hands on level . I encourage all of you to promote ties to our Campus Clubs as there may be synergies in fund raising and mission opportunities.

At the N2 Summer Cabinet we had a presentation from Lion Curt Wentzell of the Sackville NS Lions Club detailing an initiative with Vogue Optical. Vogue has agreed to provide Clubs in N2 which purchase eyeglasses for needy persons in our communities at a reduced cost. Oddly enough the Dartmouth Lions Club was working on a similar program for their Club . I have asked Vogue for some clarification of the program and to arrange a meeting with the President , Juanita Leary, as it seems this program could be expanded to the Multiple.

I have received a request from Jackie Warford of the BFCC for funding to attend another mission to Haiti with Broken Earth in September. AS you remember we provided Jackie with $ 1000 for a mission last fall and the experience solidified her committement to the Recycle for Sight program. After consulting with the Committee, we have decided to refuse this request . Clubs donated to the fund based on program needs and while the first donation could be seen as an integral part of the program we do not want to commit to a regular gift. Having said that, Jackie is an extremely important part of the Recycling project and if anyone, especially you Governors , can encourage giving to her it would certainly assist our cause.

We have just sent another shipment of processed eyeglasses to the CLERC , 4600 pounds on 5 pallets consisting of over 24,000 useable pairs , over 45,000 respecs (recyclables) 3 boxes of loose lenses and 11 boxes of sunglasses.

Thank you to the District chairs, Lions Doug, Russell, Calvin and Brad and a special thanks to Jackie Warford for all the work you do to make this project successful.

Yours in Lions Service

Lion Scott MacKenzie, PCC

Chair, MD N Lions Recycle for Sight Committee

**Multiple District N Lions Recycle for Sight Committee Members**

N1

Lion Doug Cook

Winsloe Lions Club

doug@wmm93.pe.ca

N2

Lion Russell Maillet

Kingston Lions Club

russellmaillet@eastlink.ca

N3

Lion Calvin Vincent

Pasadena Lions Club

calvin.vincent@gmail.com

N4

Lion Brad Moss

Portugal Cove St. Phillips Lions Club

bradmoss49@gmail.com

PCC Scott asked the District Governor’s to take back to their Districts and clubs a request to help sponsor Jackie Warford to go to Haiti with Broken Earth. If clubs could donate small amounts to assist her as she is very important person to the Bishop Falls Correctional Centre Recycle for Sight program.

All funds to be sent to CST Brenda.

PCC Scott asked that Council to promote the You Tube video – **Atlantic Lions Recycle for Sight**

Question was asked about using some of the recycle glasses in Canada. Response was that clubs having request for assistance for eye glasses they have to be new. PCC Scott stated by law recycled glasses cannot be used in Canada.

**CST Report**

To date I have received no report from the Spring Convention although I have been informed it has gone to Lion Gerard for auditing.

In July received an electronic transfer from LCI for invoice of GLT MD OB 1718 in the amount of $798 CAD.

I have received $100 payment from N3 for eyeglasses boxes that they received the end of last year and have received one Districts payment of dues/pins.

I thought I had paid LCI for the Officer’s crest ordered, but have not received to date. When I went in today to see if the payment went through it had not, so checked my emails and noted I sent the email on Aug 5 so I messaged them to check. (Aug 15) Received notification that it had been received and processed and by the end of business day today I should see the update on MyLCI report. I asked about sending a new form where were changing signing authorities but was informed I did not have to update the form unless the account number had changed. Even when my term is up and all signing authorities are new form does not have to be changed unless banking info changes.

**Environmental Photo Contest**

After a discussion DG Jim moved that the Multiple District N drop the Environmental Photo Contest. DG Jennifer seconded this motion. Motion Carried

**International Convention Chair for Milan, Italy**

No new info but LCI is looking for each Multiple to have one Lion as a International Convention Chair for Italy. This Lion would receive all the info concerning the International Convention and pass it along to Districts and Lions attending. Lion Bill Bruhm was attending this meeting and stated he would be interested in this position.

DG Jennifer moved that Lion Bill Bruhm (N2) be the International Convention Chair for Milan for Multiple District N. DG Edgar seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Break 15 min**

PCC Susan reported on New Voices. Districts should have reps for the 4 categories Membership, Leadership, Service and Marketing. This is a building tool for growth to increase the female numbers.

**Open Positions**

We have 3 positions open, but have only received applications for two. The positions with applications are MD GMT and MD Environment. Youth Services received no applications.

MD GMT - PCC Brennan Beaumont applied –

DG Jennifer moved to accept PCC Brennan for MD GMT for 2018-2020 and was seconded by DG Edgar. Motion carried.

MD Environment – Lion Tami Maillet applied

 DG Perry moved to accept Lion Tami Maillet of District N2 as the MD N Environment Chair for the 2018-2020. DG Jim seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Youth Services – no applications

DG Jim moved that we readvertise for the Youth Services Position with a cutoff date of Oct 15. DG Perry seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Recycle for Sight Chair PCC Scott’s term is also up but went unnoticed. This position is a sub committee chairmanship of the Activities Chair so does not need to go through the application process. PCC Susan stated that the Committees Handbook needs to be revisited.

DG Jim moved to retain PCC Scott as the Chair of Recycle for Sight for a 3 year term 2018-2021. DG Edgar seconded this motion. Motion carried.

PCC Scott mentioned that the warehouse where they have been storing his previous boss. This outfit is selling things off slowly. PCC Scott asked council to think about an acknowledgement of the service this outfit has provided. PCC Scott stated he uses all the resources there, pallets, strapping etc. – acknowledge by framed certificate, plaque etc.

Council Secretary/Treasurer and the Communications Chair are both up this year.

DG Perry moved to send out application notices and have cutoff date of Jan 15, 2019. Motion was seconded was seconded by DG Jennifer. Motion carried.

A few years ago PCC Susan had sent out a list of chairs and their dates . CST Brenda updated this list with new chairs and has inserted names of Lions filling these positions and when their time is up. After todays elections I will update again and send it out. Along with Youth Services with cut off of Oct 15 we will advertise for CST and Communications with a cutoff of Jan 15, 2019

**MD Pins**

Lion Terry has started looking for new source and new design. He would like numbers from District Governor’s by Fall Conference.

**Fall Conference**

Information packet includes proposed budget, information concerning hotel, registration form and letter to bank requesting to have a bank account open and information letter for the cost of ads for conference booklet. Name of Bank Account is MD Fall Conference. After a discussion it was decided that the Convention Chair expenses were not allowable. It was noted that on the letter being sent to clubs he is asking funds to be sent to the MD N Convention 2018 but it should read MD N Fall Conference.

DG Jim made a motion to move forward with the proposed budget with the deletion Convention Chair expenses of $300.00. This motion includes the approval of the registration form and the letter for funds for the advertising booklet with the correction to be made of the name of the bank account. DG Edgar seconded the motion. DG Perry abstained. Motion carried.

**MD Project**

DG Jim was spokesperson for the group and stated that they decided as District Governor’s that we would not proceed with a MD Project for MD N. They could not come up with one project that suited the need of all Districts. Idea of the MD Project was to have all the districts come together and through a common goal so they are working together. It was stated that each District is working on their own projects.

**CST Training**

DG Jim stated the issue came up of looking at a budget for CST training in conjunction with the DGE’s and VDGE’s training and come to a head in Antigonish at the Spring Convention. We need funding for 5 people, District’s N2, N3 and N4 all have a CST, but District N1 has a CS and a CT. Now they are looking for some direction on how to go about getting funds and a trainer for this. PDG Gerard stated that most CST’s that come into this position are capable of doing it and feels they don’t know need the training. After discussion it was decided that the CST’s need to be in sync and know how to operate on a month by month information.

CC Paul asked the question where the funds would come from. PDG Gerard stated that the section on Education & Training will rightly have an increase but will not change the current budget to reflect that. Constitution & By Laws stated there would have to be a document written to reflect it. If you are going to bring all four Districts into it you may include a little bit from each District but try and get the generic stuff covered and it would have to go to GLT to write the manual. May be able to get some info from LCI.

DG Jim moved to start a program at Spring Convention in Antigonish, NS to train not only VDGE’s but CST, CS, CT’s. DG Jennifer seconded this motion. Motion carried

Question was asked if having the two MD GLT positions was working. PCC Stewart stated that LCI only recognizes one and his name is on the LCI form so all info comes to him and he forwards it to Lion Frank in N3. He stated he has had very little communication with Lion Frank and without communication there is not much to be done. It was stated there was a great problem with the cost of travel back and forth and having the two has cut down on cost.

DG Edgar moved that when the term of the GLT and GMT Chairs are up that we consider going back to one person and in the meantime establish a committee or something to look at the practicality of having two or one. DG Jim seconded the motion. Motion carried

There is only one person in the GMT position now so it is a prime opportunity to see how it goes for the next two years.

DG Perry moved that we stay one GMT person for the remainder of the 2 year term. DG Edgar seconded this motion. Motion carried

Discussion was held on assisting with expenses to help the VDG’s to attend the Summer Council meeting. Everyone agreed that it would be beneficial for them to attend to help them along on their road to District Governor. District Governor’s are to look at the District level to see about funding for VDG’s to attend Summer Council meeting, especially the 1st VDG. Suggestion was also made to hold Summer Council meeting at the Quality Inn Halifax Airport.

**Conference Calls**

We need to look at a new outlet as we do not have access to the one we were using. VDG Debbie mentioned that she uses Zoom that is free for one hour then there is a small fee. Question was asked about the number of users. She will look into and let CST know info.

Next Conference call will be **Feb 10, 2019 -7 pm (7:30 pm NL)**

**Dates to Remember**

Sept 20-22 is USA/Canada Forum in Columbus, Ohio

Fall Conference Nov 2-3

Deadline for Peace Poster Contest – Nov 15

MD Convention May 24-26, 2019

CC Paul handed out District Health Assessment for the Multiple District through to July 2018 to DG’s. He also handed out a copy of the PDG Awards Policy for next year.

Questionnaire in regards to how we run our MD Convention and how to make it more entertaining to draw more lions out. DG’s please get together and have a look at that and send it off.

Lion Brian Moore (GST Area Leader) – would like to attend Conference and Convention so is looking for dates and locations.

Received a Thank You note from LCIF for our donation in PID Garnet Davis name at the Spring Convention

LCIF – do all clubs have an LCIF Co ordinator. If not then the responsibility falls to the past King Lion

Diabetes – Service Journey was sent out by MD Diabetes Chair. World Diabetes Day is Nov 14

Centennial Celebration – you are the reason for our success – 2014-2018

Security Check – Do clubs do any before members join. Some do, some don’t, some only working with youth

Advanced Lions Institute training – Aug 27 cut off - Nov 10-12 in Winnipeg

GLT Stewart – strongly recommend that the DG’s have GLT coordinator to have training session at each of your District gatherings through the year for club GLT, GMT, GST, LCIF chairs.

1. Fall Conference – What training do you want- District or club level
2. MD GLT would like time at Fall Conference to meet with District Chairs, GLT, GMT, GST or LCIF
3. DG’s want anything
4. DG’s , VDG’s - Promote orientation
5. Communication – needs to get down to regular Lion!!

Applying for grants – get them early

Submit your reports to CST

Communication – send reports to PCC Peter for NFormer and any pics

Communication – District Newsletters should include info about the Multiple District

At your Club visits and District meetings explain and educate the Lions about Multiple District. Who the Multiple are and what they consist off, what they do etc.

If we do MD Projects anything get pictures and send it out in your newsletters and also to LCI. LCI is looking for pictures of being active not just presenting the cheque.

**Round Table**

CC Paul asked everyone if they had anything to add to the meeting

1. Ronald McDonald House would make a good MD Project – CC Paul stated that maybe the DG’s could take it back to their Districts and let us know at the Fall Conference
2. PCC Susan, Constitution & By Laws – If any one has any questions or wants something looked up - I am there to help
3. Website – send pictures in jpeg form. The website is yours if you want info on there you need to send it to me. Please get info from your districts to PCC Susan
4. PCC Susan sent links to your own page’s on website along with PID Rods new address.
5. Concerns about the cost of running the Multiple District. Need for discussion on cost to attend Conference and Convention. Hospitality books are now $60 and barely makes needs
6. Funding for Recycle for Sight – still looking for donations, some clubs are still sending in donations. DG’s if you have an opportunity to promote Recycle for Sight please do so as we can always use more funds. All districts have hardest working Lions that you could ever imagine in the Recycle for Sight Program. They all do a excellent job and PCC Scott constantly thanks them and hopes the DG’s do also as they are doing a remarkable job.
7. Lion Heather presented CST Brenda Cecil the Lion. Cecil is a Lion and is partly handmade
8. Be proud to be a LION. Wear something Lions when going out.
9. Lighthouse pins for the next 4 years. Need ideas for next set of theme. (Bridges, Ferries) Any one with suggestions please send to Lion Terrance
10. Set aside funds for a future convention to draw people in. Spend some money to get Lions out. Get younger ones to organize. Make it Theme related
11. Orientation – importance hoping all new members taught. Theme Conventions
12. Conventions- Conference to costly
13. Zone project – couple of lions from each club
14. Put to practice all the ideas and suggestions from today and last night and that is our goal to promote Lionism and serve the public and that is what we are trying to do.

CC Paul thanked everyone for attending. Would like everyone to stay for a group picture.

Meeting Adjourn 3:20 pm by DG Perry