

**Official Minutes of
Nova Scotia Convention
Truro, NS
April 27th, 2019**

DG Perry Oliver called the meeting to order at 9:07am with approximately 214 Lions representing 43 clubs in attendance.

O Canada was led by Lion Wayne, with the Lions Invocation and the Lions Pledge being led by DG Perry.

A moment of silence was observed for deceased members of the Lions Family and peace throughout the world.

Welcome & Opening Remarks

DG Perry thanked all for attending the Nova Scotia Convention and thanked all members of the Truro Lions Club for hosting what looked like a well attended weekend. DG Perry then asked our international guest PID Melvin Bray to say a few words. PID Melvin was signed up to attend the Forum here in Halifax in 2001. Unfortunately 911 hit and forced them to cancel that visit. It has taken them 18 years to get back to Nova Scotia. He thanked all for inviting he and his wife and hoped to impart some wisdom later this afternoon and evening.

Welcome to Truro

Winter Cabinet Meeting Chairperson Lion Janie Daye welcomed all Lions to Truro, hoped that everyone would have a good weekend and provided a few housekeeping rules. Lion Janie asked that all Lions be considerate and observe the registration deadline for future Cabinet Meetings and Conventions.

Voting Procedures

PDG Lion John Stoddart outlined the voting procedures for the day. Voting on any matter, including elections, at District Conventions, shall be by duly certified voting delegates or their alternates. Each Chartered Club in good standing in District N-2 shall be entitled to one voting delegate and one alternate delegate for each ten (10) members, or major fraction thereof as shown by the records of the Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer as of April 30, of the Year preceding the year in which the Convention is held. In addition all PDG's who are in good standing in a club in the District shall be entitled to be a voting delegate at the District Convention. They are entitled to one vote on any matter.

Agenda

DG Perry asked if there were any additions to the agenda respecting the fact that we have a busy schedule. The following item was added:

Lion Veronica of Beaver Bank Kinsac Lions Club asked to add Camp Lion Maxwell and Brigadoon under Presentations.

Motion to accept the agenda as amended was made (after Old Business) by PDG Lion Peter Reid and seconded by Lion Linda Baltzer. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Introduction of Lion Debbie McGinley

PCC Lion Scott MacKenzie introduced Lion Debbie McGinley for the office of District Governor 2019 – 2020. Lion Debbie then gave a brief speech outlining her Lions background and soliciting support for her term as District Governor.

Introduction of Lion Jane Gregory

PCC Lion Peter Reid introduced Lion Jane Gregory for the office of 1st Vice District Governor for 2019 – 2020. Lion Jane then gave a brief speech thanking Lions for the support over the last year and looking forward to working with Lion Debbie and the District Team if elected next year.

Introduction of Lion David Hunter

Lion David Hunter gave a brief introduction, promised to do his best and asked for the support of the District for his nomination for 2nd Vice District Governor 2019 – 2020.

Voting for the incoming District Team

PDG Lion John Stoddart asked for Zone 1 and Zone 2 to commence voting.

Approval of the Minutes

DG Perry advised that the minutes of the Winter Cabinet Meeting held in Eastern Passage Cow Bay had been circulated via email, and asked if there were any errors or omissions.

Hearing none, DG Perry asked for a motion to approve the minutes. It was moved by Lion Bill Bruhm and seconded by Lion David Baugil that the Minutes of the Winter Cabinet Meeting be accepted as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence

CST Peter advised that there was no correspondence to present at this time.

PDG Lion John Stoddart asked for Zone 3 and Zone 4 to commence voting.

Old Business

a) **District Project** – DG Perry advised that although the District Project was late starting it had been well received throughout the District. As of this morning there was \$15,487.00 already in the bank with approximately \$7,500 pledged towards the project which would put us over the goal of \$22,000. The following presentations were then made:

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| a. Musquodoboit Harbour Lions Club | \$ 1,000 |
| b. Beaver Bank Kinsac Lions Club | \$ 5,000 |
| c. Wolfville Lions Club | \$ 500 |
| d. St. Margaret's Bay Lions Club | \$ 500 |
| e. Aylesford & District Lions Club | \$ 500 |
| f. Yarmouth Lions Club | \$ 500 |
| g. Lawrencetown Lions Club | \$ 300 |
| h. Quilt Draw donated by Tatamagouche | \$ 336 |
| i. Deepbrook Waldec Lions Club | \$ 100 |

Total Funds Raised to date: \$24,223

DG Perry then advised that representatives from the IWK Oncology Dept. and the IWK Foundation would be in attendance at lunch to receive a cheque in the amount of \$22,000. Construction would start immediately and should take 4 – 6 weeks to complete barring any issues. DG Perry then thanked all for their support for this project. Any additional funds left over will be used to buy equipment for the patients of the Oncology Dept. and not put in the IWK general funds.

PDG Lion John Stoddart then called for Zone 5 and Zone 6 to commence voting.

Zone Reports

DG Perry asked for all Zone Reports to be handed into CST Peter at this time.

Zone 1	Lion Bob Jardine	Passed in to CST
Zone 2	PDG Lion Earl Einarson	No Report
Zone 3A	Lion Tim Ripley	Sent to CST Post Meeting
Zone 3B	Lion Catherine Gibson	Passed in to CST
Zone 4	Lion Joyce Gero	Passed in to CST
Zone 5	Lion Bill Woodman	No Report
Zone 6	PDG Lion Mark Durnford	Passed in to CST
Zone 7	Lion Tracey Carocci	No Report
Zone 8	Lion Charlie Blake	Passed in to CST
Zone 9	Lion Bill Bruhm	Passed in to CST

Zone 10	Lion Curt Wentzell	No Report
Zone 11	PDG Lion Rhonda Trickett	Passed in to CST

PDG Lion John Stoddart then called for Zone 7 and Zone 8 to commence voting.

Morning Break 9.45 – 10.00

District Speakout

Lion Debra Featherby facilitated the 2019 District Speakout consisting of the following contestants:

Youth & Mental Illness	Presented by	Max Chongva
Feminism in a Patriarchal Society	Presented by	Mia Chidiac
Period Poverty	Presented by	Machara MacNeil
Technology & Its Impact on our Society	Presented by	Cameron Fiander
Facing Regrets in Life	Presented by	Larissa Wilks
Use your Adaptability to Successfully Embrace Change	Presented by	Ispeeta Ahmed
Product Placement	Presented by	Taylor MacPhee
Jet Engines	Presented by	Reuben Babcock

All speakers gave excellent speeches with presentations being made following the noon luncheon.

First Place winner was Max Chongva who will go on to represent the District at the MD Convention.

Second Place runner up was Machara Macneil

Meeting Resumed at 1.55pm

Necrology Service

Rev. Lion Carl Price advised that this will be the 19th year that he has facilitated the Nova Scotia Lions Necrology Service. He advised that this would be his final service due to family commitments. The service will commence at 9.00am tomorrow morning. He thanked all for the support given to him over the past 19 years. Rev Lion Carl reflected that approximately 540 Lions have passed over the past 19 years.

Voting for 2019 – 2020 District Team

DG Perry advised that there were 120 votes cast with the following results:

Lion David Hunter for 2 nd VDG	112 Votes, 3 spoiled and 5 missing
Lion Jane Gregory for 1 st VDG	119 Votes and 1 spoiled
Lion Debbie McGinley for DG	115 votes, 3 spoiled and 2 missing

PDG Lion John Stoddart then made a motion that the ballots be destroyed. The motion was seconded by Lion Ken LaViolette. **Motion Carried.**

District Committee Reports

Financial Report – CST Lion Peter Jeffery advised that the financial report distributed during the Meeting is current as of April 22nd, 2019. We started off the year with \$21,815.25 in the account. Our current income stands at \$75,436.32 and our current expenditures stand at \$27,131.82 giving a bank balance of \$69,262.76. If we add in our investments of \$56,602.73, this gives a total available to the District of \$125,865.49. There are a number of expenditures that need to be subtracted from this total including the cheque for the IWK in the amount of \$22,000 and several outstanding invoices for the Nova Scotia Lion which will bring that total down to a more reasonable amount. The Financial Report was respectfully submitted by CST Peter to Cabinet.

CST Peter motioned that the report as submitted be approved. The motion was seconded by PCC Lion Peter Reid. **Motion Carried.**

Global Service Team (GST) Report – PDG Lion Frank Hartman provided a GST update advising that there are still forty seven (47) Clubs in the District have still not assigned a Club Service Chairperson (CSC). PDG Lion Frank has attend three (3) Zone meetings and one (1) club to-date to explain the responsibilities of a CSC. PDG Lion Frank then explained that the CSC is not duplicating the same reporting that the club secretary is doing and that it is up to the club to determine who reports club service activities. To-date 24 clubs have already submitted their PU101's for next year with only six (6) clubs reporting a Club Service Chairperson. PDG Lion Frank urged clubs to elect a CSC and record them on MyLCI. He also advised that there is a CSC e-book available on the LCI website, which contains everything a CSC needs to know. Based on our District Service Activity – Club Summary Report with 54 of 70 clubs reporting, we have conducted 2863 service activities resulting in 69,739 Lions hours serving 78,863 people. A service activity is defined as any hands on project that serves the community.

Global Membership Team (GMT) Report – Lion Bill Bruhm advised that we have a net growth of 29 new Lions and that we are now sitting at 1804 members. 156 Lions have joined our clubs, but unfortunately, we have lost 30 Lions due to death who will be honoured at the necrology service. 2018-2019 saw the formation of a new club, Tatamagouche & Dist. Lions Club and our campus clubs at Dalhousie and Acadia continue to grow. Our three Leo clubs continue to serve their communities. Clubs throughout the District continue to ask for support to assist with growth and retention of their membership. It is important that we continue to seek out new, younger members as the average age of our membership is approximately 66 years.

Global Leadership Team (GLT) Report – PCC Lion Bob Lyle reported that all information/October sessions for the month of October. He also completed an Orientation session for New Germany on March 16th, 2019 with 16 Lions in attendance. A combination Orientation & Officers school was held at the Sydney Lions Club on March 29th, 2019 which was conducted by PCC Lion Peter Reid and PDG Lion Rhonda Trickett with 16 Lions representing six clubs present. There is a tentative Orientation session planned for Riverport Lions Club in the near future.

Officers Schools 2019:

Sackville	-	May 4 th , 2019
Kingston	-	May 11 th , 2019
Bridgewater	-	June 1 st , 2019
EPCB	-	June 8 th , 2019

Zone Chairpersons School:

Kingston	-	June 15 th , 2019
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Club Quality Initiative (QCI) training has been completed by Wolfville Lions Club on March 9th, 2019 with 16 Lions in attendance.

MDN DG(E) Training will be conducted May 22 – 23 prior to the MDN Convention on May 24/25/26, 2019

USA/Canada Leadership Forum will be held September 19th – 21st, 2019 in Spokane, Washington, USA with the theme of "Building Teams Through Leadership". There will be over 90 seminars offered during the forum.

Drug Awareness – Lion Wendy Owen reported that we had 15 entries in the Drug Awareness Poster Contest all which were very talented

3rd Place went to Amelia Hatt from Ecole de la Rivera, New Germany Lions Club
2nd Place went to Cariene DeLas-Reyes From Enfield Dist. School, Enfield/Elmsdale Lions Club.
1st Place went to Amarra Mayo from West North Elementary School, New Germany Lions Club.

Rose Bowl – The doors were sealed and the Rose Bowl attendance conducted with the following results:

3 rd Place:	Canso Lions Club with 1637 points.
2 nd Place	St. Margaret's Bay Lions Club with 1787 points.
1 st Place	Coldbrook Lions Club with 2476 points.

Q Bear Draw – Green Ticket Number 2315576, Winner Lion _____.

District Committee Reports (Continued)

Hearing & Speech – 2nd DG(E) Lion David Hunter advised that he had information on a new program requiring support from each Lions Club to purchase temporary hearing devices that assist with those who are hard of hearing whilst hearing aids are being donated and cleaned. This is to help reduce the backlog of almost 200 waiting for hearing aids. The program will require volunteers to be trained to set up these devices in the future. More information to follow.

New Germany Area Lions Club presented a cheque for \$1,000 towards Hearing & Speech program.

Peace Poster – Lion Bill Bruhm reported on behalf of Lion Sandra Zwicker that there were 3 entries this year and that the theme was "Kindness Matters".

3rd Place went to Alexa Whynott-Dowse from Bayview Community School and was sponsored by the Mahone Bay Area Lions Club.

2nd Place went to Zoe Haughn from Pentz Elementary School and was sponsored by the Bridgewater Area Lions Club.

1st Place went to Abigail Walker from Eastern Passage Education Center and was sponsored by the Eastern Passage Cow Bay Lions Club

The judges had a difficult time picking the winner as all entries were excellent.

LCIF Report – Lion Donnie Fancy advised that LCIF is implementing a Toonie Trust which is donating \$2.00 per week for a total of \$104.00 per year. Another fundraiser is the Model Club program, campaign 100 for empowering service. There are also 3 Donation Levels with 1 star awarded for \$65.00 Cdn, 2 Stars awarded for \$130 Cdn and 3 stars for \$260 Cdn.

Lions Foundation of Canada (LFC) – Lion David Manning reported that last year in May the Walk for Dog Guides the walks in Nova Scotia raised \$43,198.41. Lion David then pasted out Banner Patches for those who took part.

The following presentations were then made by clubs in the District:

Sackville Lions Club	\$ 6,000
Beaver Bank Kinsac Lions Club	\$ 6,000
Coldbrook Lions Club	\$ 5,000
Kingston Lions Club	\$ 6,000
New Germany Lions Club	\$ 4,000
Chezzetcook Lions Club	\$ 2,500
Digby Lions Club	\$ 8,000
Musquodoboit Harbour Lions	\$24,000
Grand Total	\$61,500

Lions Foundation of Nova Scotia – PCC Lion Peter Reid advised that the Officers and Board of Directors wish to pass on their appreciation to the Lions of Nova Scotia for their support. He reminded that those holding Charter and awards night remember the Lions Foundation of Nova Scotia when selecting awards.

New Business

Signing Authority – PCC Lion Scott Mackenzie moved that the signing officers for the 2019 – 2020 Lions year be DG(E) Lion Debbie McGinley, 1st VDG(E) Lion Jane Gregory and incoming CST PCC Lion Scott Mackenzie any 2 of 3 . The bank of record would be the Royal Bank of Canada. Moved by PCC Lion Scott MacKenzie and seconded by PCC Lion Peter Reid. **Motion Carried.**

Lions Memorial Park – King Lion David Manning advised that the Lions Memorial Park is a Legacy Project of the Milford & District Lions Club in recognition of the 100th Anniversary of Lions International (2018) and the 100th Anniversary of Lionism in Canada (2020). The park cost approximately \$150,000 funded by the Milford Lions Club. The next project is the installation of paving stones engraved with the

names of Lions who have passed. LFC Memorial Forest in Breslau, Ontario is beginning to reach capacity and have suggested that Districts consider starting forests or parks of their own to help raise funds to support the foundation. At the Board Meeting in February, the directors agreed to endorse the efforts of the Milford Lions Club to establish such a park in Nova Scotia. In order to proceed with such a park the Milford Lions Club are seeking support of the Lions of District N2. This will not be a District project nor are they seeking any District funding. Lion David Manning motioned that District N2 officially endorse the Lions Memorial Park in Milford Station, NS as a recognized official Lions Memorial site in District N2. The motion was seconded by PCC Lion Scott MacKenzie. **Motion Carried.**

Presentations:

The Beaver Bank Kinsac Lions Club presented a cheque for \$1,500 for Lion Camp Maxwell. They also presented a cheque for \$2,000 towards Brigadoon.

Lion Charlie Blake presented a cheque on behalf of Zone 8 for \$950.00 towards Lion Camp Maxwell. He also presented a cheque in behalf of Barrington Area Lions Club for \$250.00 towards Lion Camp Maxwell.

DG Perry then advised that in order to celebrate 100 years of service, we asked the Lions to embark on a centennial challenge. Thus far we have served 248 million people through 31,000 projects. The following presentations are being made to recognize those clubs that have embarked on Centennial Challenges in the year 2017 - 2018:

- Annapolis Royal Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch & 13 Community Service Challenge pins
- Antigonish Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch & 56 Community Service Challenge pins
- AFR Lions Club - Patch with 2 Gem stones
- Aylesford Lions Club - Patch with 3 Gem stones
- Bedford Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones & 33 Community Service Challenge pins
- Berwick Lions Club - Patch with 3 Gem stones
- Bridgewater Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones & 1 Diabetes Patch
- Canso Lions Club - Patch with 2 Gem stones
- Dartmouth Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch & 9 Community Service Challenge pins
- Enfield/Elmsdale Lions Club - Patch with 3 Gem stones
- Kingston Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch & 71 Community Service Challenge pins
- Mahone Bay Lions Club - Patch with 2 Gem stones & 56 Community Service Challenge pins
- Meteghan Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch
- Parasboro Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch
- Port Williams Lions Club - Level 1 Bronze Legacy Patch
- River John Lions Club - Patch with 1 Gem stone
- Sackville Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch & 46 Community Service Challenge pins
- St. Mary's Lions Club - Patch with 2 Gem stones
- Spryfield Lions Club - Patch with 2 Gem stones
- Stellerton Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones & 1 Diabetes Patch
- Sydney Lions Club - Patch with 1 Gem stone
- Truro Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch & 27 Community Service Challenge pins
- Whycocmagh Lions Club - Patch with 1 Gem stone
- Wolfville Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones & 1 Diabetes Patch
- Yarmouth Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones & 1 Diabetes Patch
- Milford Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch & 29 Community Service Challenge pins
- Cabot Trail Lions Club - Patch with 2 Gem stones
- Preston Lions Club - Patch with 1 Gem stone & 1 Diabetes Patch

- Lake Echo Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch & 17 Community Service Challenge pins
- Lockport Lions Club - Patch with 1 Gem stone
- Coldbrook Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones & 1 Diabetes Patch
- Musquodoboit Hbr Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch, Level 2 Silver Legacy Patch & 44 Community Service Challenge pins
- Cole Harbour Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones & 1 Diabetes Patch
- Hantsport & Dist. Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch & 19 Community Service Challenge pins
- New Germany Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch & 38 Community Service Challenge pins
- Lawrencetown Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch & 28 Community Service Challenge pins
- St. Margaret's Bay Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones & 1 Diabetes Patch
- CBNRC Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch & Level 3 Gold Legacy Patch
- Beaver Bank Kinsac Lions Club - Patch with 1 Gem stone
- Riverport Lions Club - Patch with 2 Gem stones
- Springhill Lions Club - Patch with 4 Gem stones, 1 Diabetes Patch & 11 Community Service Challenge pins

DG Perry then handed out service Chevrons to members of the following Clubs:

- Antigonish Lions Club
- Amherst Lions Club
- Berwick Lions Club
- Cabot Trail Lions Club
- Canning Lions Club
- Chezzetcook Lions Club
- Coldbrook Lions Club
- Deepbrook Waldec Lions Club
- Digby Lions Club
- Hubbards Lions Club
- Kentville Lions Club
- Meteghan Lions Club
- Mahone Bay Lions Club
- Musquodoboit Lions Club
- Parasboro Lions Club
- Pictou Lions Club
- Pubnico Lions Club
- River John Lions Club
- Shubenacadie Lions Club
- Sydney Lions Club
- Whycocomagh Lions Club
- Yarmouth Lions Club

Stamps – Lion David Baugil turned in \$140.00 stamp Money.

Adjournment - It was moved by Lion Bill Bruhm that the meeting be adjourned at 3:55pm.

DG Perry Oliver
Signature

CST Peter Jeffery
Signature