

**Lions Clubs International  
Multiple District N  
Summer Council of Governor's Meeting  
August 31, 2023**

CC Greg King called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm with the following Lions in attendance: Council Chair Greg King; DG Susan Stennick; DG Joyce Gero; DG Val Clarke; DG Eric Sturge; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Ed Evans; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Karen Lavigne; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Joyce Martin-Stuckless; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Brad Moss; 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Donald Walton; 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Trevor Mills; 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Patricia King; CST PDG Rhonda Trickett; PCC Susan Sangster; PCC Bev Semple; PCC Scott MacKenzie; PDG Luke Stennick; PDG Bill Bruhm; PCC Michael Foote; PCC Brennan Beaumont; PCC Doug Small; PCC Sonny Bonnell; Lion Michelle Clarke; Lion Patricia Dwyer along with 25 other lions.

Lions Invocation was recited in unison led by DG Eric Sturge. A moment of silence was observed for deceased Lions and world peace.

Additions to the agenda

1. Flag Reimbursement
2. MD Dress

Approval of the agenda

Motion by DG Val Clarke, 2<sup>nd</sup> by DG Joyce

Motion Carried

### **Welcome**

Welcome fellow Lions to the MD Summer Council Meeting. A change to this year's summer meeting, as you've noticed. The CoGs opted for a virtual meeting as it was felt that, while a face-to-face meeting is preferred, there's not a lot of business that requires an in-person meeting. Last year's Cabinet meeting took 28 minutes. The main reason for the change, is the cost of travel. Flights have doubled since COVID. Rental cars, we won't discuss because if you can get one, the cost is outside of all budgetary considerations and hotels have increased almost 50%. There comes a cost point that people won't attend and those with a MD budget cannot possibly attend 3 meetings anymore. So again, welcome. I hope to keep this at 2 hours max so let's begin with DG reports and we'll start with N3, then N1, N4 and N2. Just to mix up the norm.

### **DISTRICT GOVERNOR REPORTS**

We will start the District Governor reports with District N3 – DG Val Clarke

#### **District N3 Report**

In our District N3 we are trying to educate all our members on Mission 1.5. Lions are eager to step up to the plate and know we have to do our share to ensure the growth of Lionism in our District if we are to succeed and move Lionism forward for the future. To date I have visited all clubs in Labrador and Quebec (5 clubs in total) and on these visitations Lions are eager to begin the year and the enthusiasm is very evident. While visiting Forteau Lions I installed 3 new Lions ( Syria, Philippines, and the Ukraine). I am so proud of Zone Chair Dean Flynn for promoting diversity and inclusion in their club and adding to our mission 1.5. He is setting an example for his zone for sure. Also Blanc Seblanc Lions club (another club in the same zone) as 2 more members ready to be installed at their first meeting. I expect to see move great things coming from this part of our District. So if this is any indication of what we can expect this year in membership growth in our Zones we are more than happy. PDG Brad Clarke(District GMT) who is travelling with me this year is certainly encouraging and challenging all clubs- thank you PDG Brad. We are also looking at doing a membership drive to assist the Lions of New World Island for last week of September 2023 and more membership drives in the months ahead. Meanwhile we have our District GET IPDG Shane Budgell already on the roll. He is working with PDG Paul Baker new club

consultant and they have applied for 2 new club development workshops with LCI. A new campus club in Stephenville CONA and another one to restart the Grenfell Campus club. Plus they are looking into starting a Diabetes club in Corner Brook. Hats off to PDG Shane and his team. More ideas still flowing for speciality clubs as well.

Lion Sharon Williston is our District GLT and she is already out of the gate. We completed Zone chair training for all our Zone Chairs the last week of June 2023. Plus another meeting was done on Aug 11 th and we will continue meeting once a month on the 2 nd Monday of each month moving forward. Lion Sharon along with her team will be taking training on the road. Plans are to visit and attend a zone chair meeting in each Zone and while there complete the required training needed for each of the required club positions. Plus, she is working with our Multiple GLT leader to look at a combined training for N3 and N4. Our GST chair as reached out to all District Chairs to put a plan in place to have each chair have an action plan in place for the next 90 days. Our goal is to increase the percentage of Service activities and actual reporting in our District – she will be monitoring this monthly and we will hold monthly conversations to ensure all clubs are properly trained. Our LCIF chair PDG Erle Barrett is busy with a couple of motions that we approved this weekend and he is checking into possible grants from LCIF. In the meantime we are challenging all members to pay \$5 per month for \$60 per year and I am challenging clubs in our District to have a 100% club LCIF pledge. Also, I am encouraging clubs in my visitations to donate yearly as well and promoting Melvin Jones Fellowships.

Lots of fun stuff happening and we had a great summer Cabinet Meetings this past weekend at Bishop Falls Lions Club. Clubs will start resuming now by the middle of September so should be a lot more movement in our District as we move forward.

Thanks for the awesome support of our Council Chair and GAT area leader. N3 is ready and excited for what lies ahead this year. We have an awesome team and my thanks to everyone for their support.

Looking forward to a banner year this year in 2023-2024.

Yours in Lionism  
DG Val Clarke

Thank you DG Val, appreciate it.

Next will be the District Governor Report from N1 – DG Susan Stennick

### District N1

Council Chair Lion Greg, CST Lion Rhonda, fellow District Governors, and Lions all.

What an exciting year we have ahead of us in District N 1

Because of difficulty filling some Zone and District Chair positions, we are off to a slow start. But most of the positions are now filled and we are ready to serve our District.

We are going to keep our GLT busy this year. Our district goal is to ensure that 90% of our presidents, secretaries and treasurers are trained. Another goal is to ensure that 90% of our Zone Chairs are trained. Some of our club executives have already been trained at our April convention and we are reoffering this training September 16, the day before our first cabinet meeting. We are also going to offer Zone Chair training at the same time. Our plan is to offer some kind of training the day before each cabinet meeting.

Another one of the district goals for N 1 is to increase the number of clubs reporting service to 70%. An unofficial goal of mine his year is to complete a service project at each cabinet meeting. At our September meeting, members are being asked to bring donations for the local food bank – either food

items or monetary. We are also hoping to celebrate our close relationship with Portage Atlantic and hold one of our cabinet meetings on their campus. During that meeting, our service project will benefit the residents of Portage Atlantic. Hopefully, the Portage Leos will be able to attend this cabinet meeting or at least a portion of it.

Our District is embracing and accepting the challenge of Mission 1.5. We are committed in growing our district this year with a positive growth of 10 members and two new clubs.

District N1 is committed to supporting our international foundation, LCIF. Our goal is to increase individual and club participation by 50%. I have personally pledged to make a donation and I expect 5 members of my District Cabinet to also make a personal donation. Our district is striving to achieve a Bronze level LCIF Chairperson's Medal.

My theme this year is "Creating a Wave of Service." Picture being in a sports arena – either hockey, baseball, football, whatever. Someone stands up to start a "wave." It might take a couple of attempts, but before long that person has people around them joining in. Soon, their whole section is creating a "wave" and the people across the arena want to get in on it. Before you know it, the whole sports arena is participating in the "wave." Wouldn't it be great if we could get people involved in service just as easily? The trick is to not to give up. That first person has to start, has to get people excited, has to have something that everyone wants to be a part of and not be left out of. Doing that we can all "Create a Wave of Service" and "Change the World."

Thank you DG Susan.

Up next, we have District N4 – DG Eric Sturge

#### District N4

#### Report From District Governor N4

Report for MD:

On August 13<sup>th</sup> / 2023 we help our cabinet meeting for the start of our Lions year in Sunnyside , the meeting was very well attended.

We discussed what our district goals are for the coming year, some of the things we have planned for this are.

- (1) Ensure 90% of all clubs report service
- (2) Charter a new club with 20 new members
- (3) 85 – 100 % of all club officers ( President's, Secretary's, etc) will have taken the training offered in LCI Learning center
- (4) The end of 2023/2024 our district will help Lions club International ( LCIF) to meet its fundraising goals.

We discussed mission 1.5, which is having 1.5 millions lions by the end of 2027 worldwide so that we help serve more people.

Our Gobal Leadership Team will continue with the training for Zone Chair persons, they are planning virtual training for Lions who would like to attend. They will be applying for a grant so we can have in person training at the Marystown convention. The team is planning to hold a officers sessions to provide a forum of passing of knowledge and leadership tactics on a by- monthly basis.

Gobal Service Team (GST) chair got is team for 2023 – 2024 in place.

Gobal Membership approach Team (GMAT) will be looking at Retention why they (Lions) leave, also what they can do to encourage new members to join.

Yours in Lionisms  
DG Eric Sturge

Thank you DG Eric.

And, last but not least, District N2 – DG Joyce Gero

## District N2

### **Governor Report, District N2, for MDN Summer Meeting**

Since we last met, the District N2 team has been busy preparing for when most clubs, dormant during the summer, will swing back into full activity next month. Part of that preparation included training sessions. GLT Coordinator Bill and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Kim conducted in-person Zone Chair training for approximately half of our elected or appointed zone chairs, and GLT Bill is looking into how we can best reach the remainder, as well as into logistics surrounding officer training. Sessions have been held to familiarize secretaries and treasurers with financial statements and bill payment through MyLCI, as well as on monthly activity reports to the district.

It was reassuring, at the International Convention in July to hear International President Dr. Hill, when speaking about changing the world, refer to believing in ourselves and believing that change is possible. 'Yes,' I thought, 'I am on the right track with my theme for District N2, "Believe in Possibility."

When we are striving, not only to put the goals created by the District N2 team, but also the Mission 1.5 goal of reaching global membership of 1.5 million by June of 2027, we **MUST** believe in possibility to make that happen.

Regarding our goals, a brief summary follows:

- Increasing the percentage of clubs reporting service by 10% by the end of June 2024;
- Starting one new club with 20 charter members, also by the end of the Lions year;
- Reducing dropped members by 5% over last year;
- Holding a worldwide induction ceremony at the NS Convention next April;
- Holding an Emerging Lions Leadership Institute, also by next April;
- Completion of training in the Lions Learning Center by 33% of club officers;
- Increasing donations to LCIF to 50% of clubs and 12 individuals;
- Education of Lions regarding the various grants available, as well as about the Lions of Canada Foundation for LCIF; and
- Applying for a matching grant for the district from LCIF.

Members of the district team are working on revitalizing membership in some areas that have lost clubs during the past year or so, as well as with clubs that are currently flagging, and we'll share more on that at a later date.

Meanwhile, although most clubs are not active during the summer, there have been events that have brought Lions together. These have included:

- The DGO, although due to a state of emergency declared by the province following unprecedented flooding in July, the in-person event was cancelled, and it had to be held via Zoom;
- The dedication of three years of memorial stones in the walkways at the Lions Memorial Park in Milford;
- Canadian Open Blind Golf Championships and Brian MacLeod Memorial Nova Scotia Open, events that are held in the Truro area, normally receiving support each year from Lions across the province; and
- Lions Day at Camp Lion Maxwell, a Type 1 diabetes camp in Lunenburg County. This, too, is an annual event resuming after a COVID-borne hiatus. Lions across the province are major supporters of this event, with approximately \$27,000 raised from Lions contributions during the past year.

Thank you DG Joyce

No errors or omissions

Approval of Multiple District Spring Convention Minutes & Councils first meeting:

Motion by DG Susan Stennick, 2<sup>nd</sup> by DG Val Clarke

Motion Carried

No errors or omissions

Approval of Council's Zoom meeting dated May 29, 2023

Motion by DG Eric Sturge, 2<sup>nd</sup> by DG Susan Stennick

Motion Carried

No errors or omissions

Approval of Council's Zoom meeting dated June 28, 2023

Motion by DG Susan Stennick, 2<sup>nd</sup> by DG Eric Sturge

Motion Carried

Business arising from the minutes:

- a. Results of MD N Chair review

CC Greg King read off the following list of Multiple District Chairs and their dates.

- a. GST – PCC Brennan Beaumont – 1 yr (2023 – 2024)
- b. GMT – PDG Bill Bruhm – 3 yrs (2023 – 2026)

- c. GLT – PCC Michael Foote – (2023 – 2025)
- d. Environment – Send back out
- e. Long Range Planning – PCC Doug Small (2023 – 2026)
- f. Budget & Audit – PCC Scott MacKenzie (2023 – 2026)
- g. Lions Quest / Youth– Lion Patricia Dwyer (2023 – 2026)
- h. Constitution By Laws – PCC Susan Sangster (2024)
- i. Diabetes – 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Karen LaVigne (2024)
- j. Pins – PCC Sonny Bonnell (2024)
- k. Web Master – Name TBD – Domain Name to remain the same
- l. LCIF – PDG Luke Stennick (2025)
- m. Communication – PCC Bev Semple (2025)
- n. CST – PDG Rhonda Trickett (2025)
- o. Speak Out – Host District (N1)
- p. Protocol – PID Rod Wright

Need someone for environmental, and Web Master.

Guest Speaker – PDG OJ Wilura

Council Chair Greg, thank you very much for the introduction, council of Governors & all lions present tonight.

This is a story (received permission from the Zone Chair who did this last at our meeting last weekend) about a club who doesn't follow dismissive comments.

Shows you what happens when a small group of lions (Branch Club) resist the normal dismissive comments.

Link to PDG OJ's video:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hQWonLU2IPuHq62Juy-Zjet6PR6OfO75/view?usp=drive\\_web](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hQWonLU2IPuHq62Juy-Zjet6PR6OfO75/view?usp=drive_web)

\*That was an 8 member Branch Club\*

Going back to what District Governor Eric said about doing a survey to find out why members are leaving. There have been many studies done over the years, usually between the first and third year is when many members leave.

The number one reason is that “their ideas are not accepted, and they feel like they are not part of the organization”.

We are slowly getting rid of “that's not the way we do it attitude”, let's give everything a chance.

Thank you OJ

### **Presidents Goals**

Council Chair Greg stated that he is not going too deep into this.

International President Patti's theme is “Changing the World”. I'm sure you have all seen the video so far, fairly confident that the District Governors have shown it already at the initial Cabinet Meetings. If we have time at the end of the meeting, I will show the video, if anyone would like it, I will send it to you.

## **Multiple District Goals**

The CoGs has briefly discussed what we want to do this year. We know that training is a priority and Mission 1.5 is consuming everyone thoughts and time. I had the pleasure of sitting in on the GLT meeting and I heard their complaints and wishes for this coming year. Once tonight is over, the CoGs will discuss the District and Committee Chair reports to determine our priorities. Very easy for the CoGs to set goals for the year but if we don't listen to our Districts we will fail. If this was a District our committees would have been in place for some time and we would have met already. Unfortunately, the MD has to wait for the Districts to name their cabinets then we know who's who. The MD has to be relevant in your Districts. We have to be there to assist the DGs and their District achieve their goals. There will be lots more information coming your way soon.

## **Directory Review – PCC Bev Semple**

PCC Bev Semple went through the directory and annotated what was needed. Made changes that were noted going through.

N-Former – Not a lot of participation. We need this newsletter, and you can't make up stuff. Everyone needs to know the importance of getting information in for the N-Former. Council Chair is going to give some ideas to the Council and how this can be done.

## **Budget & Audit – PCC Scott MacKenzie**



# LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL MULTIPLE DISTRICT N

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## Budget & Audit Committee Report to Council – August 31,2023

Council Chair Greg, Governors, Lions;

The Budget and Audit Committee met on August 15 to review the Financials for 2021-2022 in preparation for todays meeting. We had a good review of the challenges ahead in dealing with the upcoming Budget deliberations for the 2024-2025 Budget; particularly, the issues of underfunded accounts and excessive surpluses in some Funds.

While some progress has been made, there are ongoing issues with timeline compliance in all areas, including the preparation of year end Financials and as a result Audits of same, in the presentation of Budgets for Conferences and Conventions and in the reporting of the results of same. There appears to be

some confusing guidelines in the Documents pertaining to this reporting and updating of the Financial Assistance is required.

Our main focus today is the presentation of the Audited Financials for 2021-2022 and I will ask CST Rhonda to share these on screen with you.

The main item to note in these Statements is that revenue for the year is roughly half of normal as Council approved the removal of the last half years dues to the Districts as a response to the Covid pandemics cancellation of in person meetings. Even with the reduction in Dues Revenue the year end surplus of \$ 4831.00 was recorded. As we have a significant Agenda this evening I will not go through the Financials by line but will take questions after the Motion is on the floor.

Council Chair, I move the adoption of the 2021-2022 Audited Financial Statements.

Looking forward to Fall Conference, Budget and Audit will meet on September 12<sup>th</sup> to consider the 2024-2025 Budget. With the early date for Fall Conference, both the preparation of that Budget and the Financial Audit for 2022-2023 will be challenging.

I ask any Committee Chairs with budgetary requests to contact me in advance of that date.

In Lions Service

Lion Scott MacKenzie. PCC ,  
Chairperson, Budget and Audit Committee

Motion to accept 2021-22 audited Statement.

Motion by DG Susan Stennick, 2<sup>nd</sup> by DG Val Clarke

Motion Carried

No Questions for Budget & Audit

One comment by PDG Bill Bruhm – I'm assuming that the district goals will carry over and that the budget will reflect the conversation that the DG and the 1<sup>st</sup> VDG had around the goals for the next few years.

Council Chair Greg stated that there will be more information coming, and that is the intent. We can't go backwards.

MD N – AUDITORS REPORT  
JULY 1, 2021 – JUNE 30, 2022

To the Council of Governors and Lions of Multiple District N

The financial statements are the responsibility of the Council of Governors. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements. Based on my audit of the source documents provided, I believe these statements represent fairly in all material aspects, the financial position of Multiple District N as at June 30, 2022.

Budget & Audit Chairperson

*Scott C. MacKenzie*

PCC Lion Scott MacKenzie



**The International Association of Lions Clubs  
(Lions Clubs International)**

<b>Membership &gt;&gt;&gt;</b>	<b>5565</b>	<b>5618</b>	<b>5654</b>	<b>5713</b>
	<b>2021-2022</b>	<b>2021-2022</b>	<b>2020-2021</b>	<b>2019 - 2020</b>
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Actual
				<u>2,75</u>
<b>Administration</b>				
Per Capita Dues	7625	15449	15,697	15,972
MD N Pins	2420	2700	2,340	2,357
Meeting Revenue				
MD N Projects - Parade Scarf	70	300		945
PR Grant(from LCI) MD N Projects				
Tailtwisting		300		
Leo Leadership Grant			28	
GIC Interest	353	80	550	
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>10468</b>	<b>18,829</b>	<b>18,615</b>	<b>19,275</b>
Bank Fees	96	100	96	99
MD Directories				
MD Newsletter				
Fall Conference				
Council Meetings Expenses Council Chair	1063	2800		1,268
CST	181	1800		1,569
Budget & Audit	108	1700		406
Constitution & By-Laws	553	2000		1,549
Long Range Planning		1800		1,513
MD Program and Services				90
Global Service Coordinator		1700		472
Global Membership Coordinator	240	1500		-
Communication		100		-
Protocol		500		-
Postage and Supplies	721	400	164	132
LCI Supplies	159	500	412	343
Meeting Expense/Conference Calls	230	700		768
MD Pins	2068	2640	2,640	1,790
Tail Twisting		300		-
Website	509	450		-
Banner				-
Office Equipment				-
Council Awards and Presentations	987	500		-
Miscellaneous	709			
Parade Scarf				
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>7624</b>	<b>19,490</b>	<b>3,312</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<b>Net Administration</b>	<b>2844</b>	<b>(661)</b>	<b>15,303</b>	<b>9,275</b>
<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>62392</b>		<b>49,589</b>	<b>39,498</b>
<b>Disbursed to Patti Hill Campaign</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>63236</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>62,392</b>	<b>48,773</b>
<b>Convention</b>				
Per Capita Dues	1525	3090	3,139	3,194
Fall Conference Profit		500		445
Convention Profit	645	1500		717
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>2170</b>	<b>5,090</b>	<b>3,139</b>	<b>4,356</b>
Fall Conference	200	1000		750
Multiple District N Convention	250	3000	-2,166	3,000
MD N Convention Chair "Next Year"		800		-
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>4,800</b>	<b>2,166</b>	<b>3,750</b>
<b>Net Convention</b>	<b>1720</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>5,305</b>	<b>606</b>
<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>14748</b>	<b>9,432</b>	<b>9,443</b>	<b>8,837</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>16468</b>	<b>9,722</b>	<b>14,748</b>	<b>9,443</b>
<b>Promotion Fund</b>				
Per Capita Dues	555	1124	1,142	1,162
Canadian Caucus	2579	844		

International Candidate Support				
<b>Net Promotion Fund</b>	-2024	280	1,142	1,162
<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>10537</b>	<b>10,557</b>	<b>9,395</b>	<b>8,233</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>8513</b>	<b>10,837</b>	<b>10537</b>	<b>9,395</b>
<b><u>Education and Training</u></b>				
Per Capita Dues	4852	9831	9,989	10,164
LCI for DGE etc				
Other				
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>4852</b>	<b>9831</b>	<b>9,989</b>	<b>10,164</b>
Leadership Grants	230	1400	700	700
LCI Grant Lions Quest				
Conference / Convention Sessions				
MD Training (DGE & VDGE)		6500		700
Global Leadership Chairs		1700		958
CST Training		200		
New Voices				
Multiple District Training Development	154			
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>9800</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>2,358</b>
<b>Net Education &amp; Training</b>	<b>4468</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>9,289</b>	<b>7,806</b>
<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>26756</b>	<b>17,348</b>	<b>17467</b>	<b>9,661</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>31224</b>	<b>17379</b>	<b>26756</b>	<b>17,467</b>
<b><u>Activities</u></b>				
Per Capita Dues Revenue	693	1405	1427	1,452
Peace Poster Contest	430	400		360
Plaques for Contestants		200	291	
Speak out awards		700		
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>1300</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>360</b>
<b>Net Peace Poster &amp; Speakout</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>1,136</b>	<b>1,092</b>
<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>5602</b>		<b>4,466</b>	<b>3,374</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>5865</b>		<b>5,602</b>	<b>4,466</b>
<b>Eyeglass Recycling Revenue</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>-12</b>	<b>200</b>
<b>Eyeglass Recycling Disbursements</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>2,188</b>	<b>539</b>
<b>Net Eyeglass Recycling</b>	<b>-440</b>	<b>-600</b>	<b>-2,200</b>	<b>339</b>
<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>4676</b>	<b>5,176</b>	<b>6,876</b>	<b>7,215</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>4236</b>	<b>4576</b>	<b>4,676</b>	<b>6,876</b>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>19050</b>	<b>36,279</b>	<b>34,300</b>	<b>36,608</b>
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>14219</b>	<b>36,234</b>	<b>6,825</b>	<b>17,007</b>
<b>Net Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>4831</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>27,475</b>	<b>19,601</b>
<b>Support for Dr. Patti Hill</b>				
<b>Surplus (Deficit)</b>		<b>45</b>	<b>27,475</b>	<b>19,601</b>
Dedicared Funds		4915		
Funds invested in Assets	662	662	662	662
<b>Total Funds Opening Balance</b>	<b>124710</b>	<b>99030</b>	<b>97,235</b>	<b>78,425</b>
<b>Total Funds Closing Balance</b>	<b>130203</b>	<b>104,652</b>	<b>125372</b>	<b>98,688</b>

## **Constitution & ByLaws – PCC Susan Sangster**

### **Constitution and ByLaws Report August 31, 2023**

The following additions and amendments are recommended to the Policy Manual to add clarity. I have included a copy of the updated Policy Manual.

#### **13. FLAGS *Policy Manual Page 7***

A) District Governor Elect of the Convention host district of the current year will be responsible to take the Flags as part of their luggage to the International Convention. Cost for extra luggage will be paid by Multiple District N with receipts submitted to the CST for payment.

B) District Governor Elect of the Fall Conference host District will be responsible to take the flags home as part of their luggage. Cost for extra luggage will be paid by Multiple District N with receipts.

## **APPENDIX I – Reimbursable Expenses** *Policy Manual Page 13*

The Council Secretary Treasurer may reimburse approved expenses of any Multiple District Officer (except his/her own) by e-transfer from the Multiple District's bank account as per Appendix "3". No Multiple District Officer may sign/authorize payment to themselves. She/he may also settle the balance on the Credit Card once the Credit Card Statement has been approved by one other authorized signing officer.

## **APPENDIX "3"** (as recommended by the Budget and Audit Chair – PCC Scott MacKenzie)

### **MULTIPLE DISTRICT N ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER**

1. The Council Secretary Treasurer is authorized to receive Electronic Funds Transfers (EFT's)
2. The Council Secretary Treasurer is authorized to initiate an Electronic Funds Transfers (EFT's) for approval by the Council Chair or in the instance of the unavailability of the Council Chair another Super User as identified by Multiple District N Banking Documents
3. The maximum authorized amount of the Electronic Funds Transfers (EFT's) is \$2000;
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### **From the INTERNATIONAL Board of Directors**

Following are some of the changes and updates that have been made by the International Directors from their meeting July 4-6, 2023 that may be of interest to MD N Lions

### **CONVENTION COMMITTEE**

1. Approved update to Chapter VIII, Paragraph B. of the Board Policy Manual, to allow for Lions to select their own convention hotel without the requirement to stay within their own delegations assigned hotel.
2. Evaluated the appointment criteria for the role of an international convention chairperson at the multiple and/or district levels and requested that the technology and marketing staff evaluate ways to simplify the appointment process.

## **DISTRICT AND CLUB SERVICE COMMITTEE**

2. Revised the responsibilities of the District and Multiple District Marketing Chairperson to streamline the application process for the International Marketing Award.
3. Revised the description of zones and regions as written in the Standard Form District ByLaws to encourage the chartering of new clubs.
4. Revised the Standard Form District Constitution to grant voting rights as cabinet members to District Global Action Team members and the LCIF District Coordinators.
5. Reduced the number of days required to notify clubs of district or multiple district redistricting proposals from 60 days to 30 days.

## **FINANCE & HEADQUARTERS OPERATION COMMITTEE**

6. Amended Chapter XXIII, A.10. of the Board Policy Manual to accommodate travel for leadership to forums required for Mission 1.5. 7.

## **LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

3. Approved the 2024 District Governors-Elect Seminar group leader team.
4. Revised the Board Policy Manual, Chapter XIV, Paragraph D.10. to reorder and clarify District Governors-Elect Seminar group leader qualifications and to ensure group leaders will not certify as an international director or international third vice president candidate from the beginning of the term as group leader through the seminar at convention.

## **LONG RANGE PLANNING (MAY 2023 MEETING REPORT)**

3. Reviewed a working draft of the plan to grow Lions Clubs International to 1.5 million members by July 1, 2027.
4. Discussed Leo-Lion representation on the Lions Clubs International Foundation Board of Trustees.

## **MARKETING COMMITTEE**

2. Reviewed an update on new support for the launch of Mission 1.5.
4. Reviewed plans to distribute the Peace Poster and Essay Contest in digital format.
9. Reviewed the award table to make recommended changes in support of Mission 1.5. The update will earmark and add a certain number of presidential and leadership medals devoted to recognition for chartering new clubs and adding new members. Criteria for usage is still being finalized. These adjustments will be made in the Board Policy Manual, Chapter XIX.
10. Reviewed an update to the international protocol in the Board Policy Manual, Chapter XIX, to add Leo Advisory Panel members. The committee discussed and unanimously agrees that the Leo Advisory Panel members should be included in protocol in the appropriate location based on various factors.

## **MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

1. Discussed Membership Development Grants and requested a more detailed application be completed prior to committee review. This should include specific information about who is responsible for each step of the plan and when it will be completed.
4. Sunset the role of specialty club coordinator, encouraging districts use Global Extension Team coordinators to form both traditional and specialty clubs.
5. Launched a membership initiative, Mission 1.5, to grow membership to 1.5 million Lions, with positive net growth in all constitutional areas.
6. Updated the Global Action Team policy to support Mission 1.5, including the discontinuation of the GAT Success Story funding and the GAT Chairpersons medal.

## **SERVICE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE**

6. Discussed global causes and service programs, including new environment resources, support for refugees and displaced persons, and diabetes awareness and education.
9. Reviewed the Service Activities Division 2023-2024 annual plan.

## **TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

3. Received a comprehensive update on the Salesforce project and were informed the Lion Portal is planned to launch in September 2023.
6. Received an update on the status of the website navigation project and is expected to launch by the second quarter.
7. Reviewed updates from the Membership Development Committee and discussed the status of the new club application project that will be implemented as part of the Salesforce Project

## **Credit Card Policy**

The Council Secretary Treasurer is authorized to use a Scotiabank Credit Card issued in the name of Multiple District N for purchases of supplies and expenses related to the normal operations of the Multiple District and its projects. The Credit Card is not to be used for direct payment of reimbursable expenses such as food or lodging of the CST or any other Multiple District officer. (See Appendix I - Reimbursable Expenses)

The authorized credit limit of the credit card is \$ 2000.00. Any single purchase over \$ 500.00 is to be preauthorized by another Officer with signing authority on the Multiple Districts Bank account.

The credit Card Statement is to be reconciled monthly With a copy sent to the Budget and Audit Chair

Use of the Multiple District N credit card is a privilege that the Multiple District Council may withdraw at any time, with or without cause. Upon the completion of the term of the Council Secretary Treasurer, the card must be returned to the Multiple District's Budget and Audit Chairperson for final Audit of the account.

The Council Secretary Treasurer is solely responsible for all purchases on the card and for ensuring that the card is not used by unauthorized personnel. Card numbers may not be distributed and should not be saved in online accounts.

## **APPENDIX I – Reimbursable Expenses** *Policy Manual Page 13*

The Council Secretary Treasurer may reimburse approved expenses of any Multiple District Officer (except his/her own) by e-transfer from the Multiple District's bank account as per Appendix "3". No Multiple District Officer may sign/authorize payment to themselves. She/he may also settle the balance on the Credit Card once the Credit Card Statement has been approved by one other authorized signing officer.

### **APPENDIX "3"**

#### **MULTIPLE DISTRICT N ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER**

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#### **Global Leadership Team**

#### **Lions Multiple District N GLT Summer Report**

Fellow Lions, I am happy to be back as the Lions Multiple District N Global Leadership Team Coordinator. I am sure many of you have heard how passionate about the Leadership growth we are able to offer to all the Lions in our organization and it is indeed something that sets us apart from many other volunteer organizations.

As a Multiple District I think Leadership Growth is one of the key things we can offer to all the Lions across our Multiple. Last year we made a step towards that with offering our Virtual Regional Lions Leadership Institute, where we had 27 Lions from across our Multiple District learn and grow together, in addition there was an increase in the Multiple District Leadership Grant to \$1000.

During the first meeting of the Multiple District GLT we discussed how the Multiple could; support our districts, help our Governors and District Leadership Coordinators, and support all the Lions across our Multiple District. A common issue appeared to be getting back to in-person training and encouraging members to attend. We feel this is the year to JUMP START our Local training within our districts. There has been discussions of operating a split ELLI, unlike a RLLI, the ELLI focuses mostly on younger more inexperienced Lions and we all feel that this would be better utilized in an in-person setting; thus we are working through a plan to apply for the ELLI grant program and split the grant

monies between two events, one being held in on western half of the MD, in either Nova Scotia or New Brunswick and the other being held in the Central Newfoundland area. Along with this, there have been some discussions of other events we may be able to offer.

We also compared notes on how to best develop and distribute Club officer and Zone Chairperson training throughout our respective districts and how to encourage attendance. It was deduced it would be best to select small local areas and provide sessions to more areas of our districts so as not to cause too much travel for our Lions wishing to attend, thus cutting down on their personal cost; also there was some discussions on the possibilities of providing snacks and various other items to encourage attendance.

During our conversation we spoke about the MD Leadership Grant application process. Currently the outgoing District Coordinator are to submit the claim to the new CoG for discussion at the Summer Meeting (Normally held in August or September). The biggest problem that was identified in this process was, by this time Districts already have their past year financials completed and incoming budget presented to the Cabinet of the District. During the RLLI grant process last year, we received a portion of the monies up front and then after the submission of expense claim the remainder of the grant would be issued or if the claim didn't account for the initial deposit we would have to refund the unspent amount back to LI. After some discussion it is believed would best serve our District with a similar model to this; it is recommended by the MD GLT that the MD Leadership Grant be distributed to the Districts during the first month of the new Lions Year (preferable within the first 2 weeks) so the Districts could include it in their yearly budgets, then the current District GLT Coordinator have a report of how the funds were spent with supporting documents prior to the Multiple District Convention accompanied with any funds required to be returned. Any District who fails to present a report to the MD CoG for approval would not receive the following year funds, until said report and documents are received and approved by the new Council of Governors.

With respect to the Leadership Grants; in order to JUMP START our local in-person training sessions and encourage attendance so as to excite our members across the Multiple as a whole I asked the District Coordinators to submit a plan for their district; one thing that was obvious is that it will require some financial investment. As a MD, I feel one thing we should try to do is support our Districts; in that thought we would like to recommend for consideration by the Council of Governors a one time increase in Leadership Grant of \$5,000 per district. This would assist Districts to offer more sessions; both in-person and virtual and hopefully build excitement and appreciation for these events for years to come. It is also recommended this follows the above recommendation, where as the funds be forwarded to the districts and at a date decided near the end of the year a report with supporting documents and the return of any monies not accounted for.

As a Multiple District; we all feel a key function is to support all the Lions of the Multiple District.

Respectfully Submitted  
PCC Michael Foote  
MDN  
GLT Coordinator  
2023-2024

\*\*Two motions from the GLT Coordinator

Motion made for Districts to get the money up front within the first two weeks of July & then by the Spring must have their reports in.

Motion By DG Susan Stennick, 2<sup>nd</sup> by DG Joyce Gero

Motion Carried

One time jump start request to come from Reserve Funds of \$5,000.00 per District for the 2023 – 2024 Lions Year.

Motion By DG Val Clarke, 2<sup>nd</sup> by DG Eric Sturge

**Global Membership Team – PDG Bill Bruhm**

Multiple District N

Global Membership Team Report

The Global Membership has had one meeting to date with three of the four District GMTs, one Global Extension Chair and the Multiple District GMT in attendance. Mission 1.5 was the focus of our attention, along with the District Governors’ Membership and Club Goals. Lions Cubs International and the District Governors’ Teams have established Membership Goals for Multiple District N as follows:

District	Net New Clubs	Net Membership Growth	% of Zone Chairs Trained	% of Club Officers Trained	Retention
N1	1	10	90	90	230
N2	1	30	50	33	152
N3	2	20	100	100	70
N4	1	20	100	90	55
MDN	5	80			

As you can see, time, planning and money will be needed to meet these goals.

Mission 1.5 calls for an increase in Lions membership to 1.5 million by 2017. All districts are expected to do their part to meet this goal. Last year, three of our four districts had a net loss in membership. Only N2 had positive growth. Our challenge is to reverse the pattern of net membership loss over the past few years. The MDN Global Membership team will be meeting on a regular basis to review our collective data and share success stories and best practices. We are here to assist the District Governors and their teams to fully understand the purpose and function of Mission 1.5 and to work toward a successful completion of their District Goals.

Respectfully submitted,

MDN GMT Bill Bruhm



\*Added Note: District N2 will be hosting Zoom Training for Guiding Lions and will be inviting members from all District in the Multiple. It will be on a Saturday, and it is a 5 hour session.

The first session will be for those Guiding Lions who need to recertify, the next will be for Guiding Lions who want to recertify, and the final session will be for any lion who wishes to take the training.

### **Global Service Team – PCC Brennan Beaumont**

Council Chair Greg, Governors and council,

First, I would like to welcome our new Council of 2023-24 and congratulation to you all in being elected to your respective positions.

This year we have a little extra work to do as a GAT committee, all trying to meet the goals of our International President and Canadian, Dr. Patti Hill.

Lion Patti has rolled out mission 1.5, this being the first year of a four-year program and as MDN's Service chair, I will be calling on each of our district Service Chairs to report to me when required their district's progress.

I will ask that each district chair promote and monitor their clubs service and reporting, as well as assist their clubs in any way they can. I will set up a reporting schedule and hope all district chairs will report on or before those dates so I can report to council all our progress.

Remember; Service is what we do, reporting and advertising our great work should be easy, but like all service people we tend to keep serving out community, over taking the time to advertise what we do.

Wishing all a great year, from our communities being served to our leaders taking us into our future.

Respectfully,

MDN, GST

PCC Lion Brennan

## Youth Services – Lion Patricia Dwyer

Summer MD-N Council Meeting  
August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023

### Youth Service Opportunities Report

May I start this report by saying a thank you to the committee for having trust and confidence in me to head up this position. I am honoured and count it a real privilege to work alongside such distinguished lions that I have admired from the “rock” for many years. I look forward to gleaning much knowledge and fresh new ideas as we go forward and to quote Dr. Patti Hill “ changing the world.”

My plan of action has already started with me getting my PRC/VSS screening from the RCMP, as I do every five years. My mission now is to advise every member or members that they in turn are to be screened if they are going to have any dealings with any child that has not reached the age of maturity.

Monday began a busy week as I touched base with 90% of my “umbrella” people. We had awesome one on one chats about the youth in our districts. I have set up a schedule of meetings by zoom for every couple of months on Sunday evening, which is good for most of us. The first meeting will be October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 starting at 7:30 pm ( NL time ) ending at 8:30 pm sharp. This will be 7:00 pm for the rest of us.

One of our focuses this year 2023 and continuing into 2024 will be getting the word spread about our awesome programmes for our youth. As Dr. Patti says we need to grow, not only our adults but our youth as well. As I chatted to my team we discovered and spoke about the fact that the schools that are near the established groups are the ones involved but the others further away are often not doing the programmes for one reason or another,

One of our short term as well as our long term goals for this school year is go further afield and try to encourage schools to get a teacher sponsor and then encourage the children in that school to embrace the opportunities that are within their reach.. Children will gain respect for each other, self confidence, self esteem, pride in themselves and their group all the time they doing this they may even be awarded monitory awards that will boost their moral even more.

Another part of my action plan for the year is touching base by phone with my team to get an update of the success that is happening in the district so that the council will be in the loop at all times. These calls will be done 3-5 days before the three meetings. As I make these calls I also want to make them a two way street. I want to stress to my new friends on my team that if they in turn need me for anything that I am only a phone call away. Touch base by email and I will call you back. My phone is capable of hooking up to 5 people at a time and we can also have district conversation if necessary to talk about our progress or share ideas.

In closing my first report, I am looking forward to seeing some of you in person in Gander the end of September. Once again thank you – take care all and let us grow the youth services in the Atlantic Provinces , Newfoundland, Labrador and Maine.

Respectively submitted

Lion Patricia Dwyer  
Youth Opportunities Chair

## **Open Positions 2023-2026**

Already discussed.

Environmental  
Webmaster

**Open Positions 2024-2027** - Will be sent out in the N-Former, through the CST. If you know of someone you can let them know and maybe give them some information so they are not going into the position blind.

Constitution & ByLaws  
Diabetes  
Pin Chair

## **Fall Conference Budget**

District Governor Eric went through his budget for the Fall Conference. Stating that the income would be \$7,450.00 and the expense would be \$5,685. Motion to accept budget as presented by DG Eric.

Motion by District Governor Val, 2<sup>nd</sup> by District Governor Susan Motion Carried

Question: Will there be transportation to the club?

Answer: To be determined by the number of people registered.

## **Spring convention – Lion Michelle Clark**

MDN Spring Convention May 3<sup>rd</sup> – May 5<sup>th</sup> 2024

Minutes from Committee Meeting Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> 2023

Attendance : Lions Michelle, Jodi, Frances, Susan Sangster, Brenda, Lori

Lion Michelle thanked everyone for taking the time to share lunch after the Cabinet Orientation meeting and ideas in the planning of the Spring Conference.

Date for the events – May 3<sup>rd</sup> – May 5<sup>th</sup> as per DG Susan Stennick

Advised committee that Lion Lynda already made some contact to local Moncton hotels for meeting room large enough and specials on rooms. Based on availability and pricing, the Hyatt Place Moncton 1000 Main St. Moncton has been selected with the following info:

**Bedroom rate: \$159 per night**

**Event space Rental: Day One- \$750 cocktail reception**

**Day Two - \$1400 Full day Meeting and Evening Dinner/ Cocktail**

**Day Three - \$750 Day Meeting**

Committee discussed some themes for the Meet n Greet on Friday night (May the Fourth Be with You – Star Wars and 60's) and decided to use the 60's theme with a Soc Hop as most Lions be

familiar with that era. Hotel registrations will be done by individual with a Lions event promo code and be responsible in payment themselves. Registration must be done no later than 2 weeks prior to event and no refunds will be issued once 2-week deadline has passed to ensure caterer has valid numbers to plan and charge.

Following ideas and responsibilities were assigned:

- Treasurer – Susan Sangster who will collect the registrations and payments then provide the registration team the info
- Registration Sheet – Michelle will update and circulate
- Poster – Jodi will create a poster for the full event plus a special Meet N Greet one
- Registration team – Frances & Jodi will prepare the registration goodie bags with applicable tickets, promo gifts etc.
- DJ – Michelle will check with a local Moncton past Lion to see if willing to volunteer their services for the Soc Hop
- Thane Dunn & Harley Davidson bike (Toys for Big Boys) – Brenda will reach out to see if willing to supply or volunteer services (Elvis as just a drop in and maybe sing one song) and motorbike for Photo booth of the “cool” Fronzies and Sandys
- Games – Brenda will research some more fun activities like Twist contest, Ring Toss, Pin the Leather Tail on the Lion, Mini Golf, plus more
- Jive dancers – Michelle will see if any locals willing to drop in for a short show
- Registration will remain at \$75 for hospitality booklet, \$20 for only Meet & Greet, \$5 for only Cabinet session, \$50 for Banquet
- Club Sponsorships – Lori will contact clubs in all 4 districts to have some cover the costs of the coffee and snack times for Sat and Sun sessions and Meet & Greet snacks etc.
- Disco Ball – Michelle will check that club still has one or two to use
- Float Drink option – Michelle will check with caterer
- Head table option – Michelle will check with CC Greg if wanted
- Photo Booth – look at option of having photographer or remote camera
- Piper – Michelle will check with CC Greg if wanted and if so, locate local piper
- Special Guest – Michelle will search on LCI for ID options and speak with CC Greg in case he has already started or had a preference on guest speaker for the weekend
- Advertising – Lori will also check with the clubs in the 4 districts on placing an ad in the hospitality booklet to help with weekend costs. Half page \$50 and full page \$100
- Advertising – Michelle will also reach out to some local businesses and government officials to see if interested in giving greetings at the banquet and placing an ad
- Necrology Service – Michelle will ask the 4 DGs to provide the names and photos each month to Lori so list and video can be prepared
- Entrance – “Stroll into Soc Hop” so perhaps set up a gated walk way
- Training sessions prior – Michelle will work with PCC Michael in having the DGE/1VP/2VP training at the Moncton Lions Club upstairs Lion’s Den to save costs
- Information Tables – Check into volunteers for Lions Quest, Dog Guides, Eye Glasses Drop Off, LCIF etc.
- Co-ordinate with MD for Elections and Speak Out

Meeting with our committee and seeing the enthusiasm and willingness to help has warmed my heart and decreased my blood pressure. I will create a Facebook group so can update each other easily on the progress of our responsibilities and continue to share great ideas.

I appreciate everyone and look forward to having an AMAZINGLY AWESOME Spring Convention in May 2024!

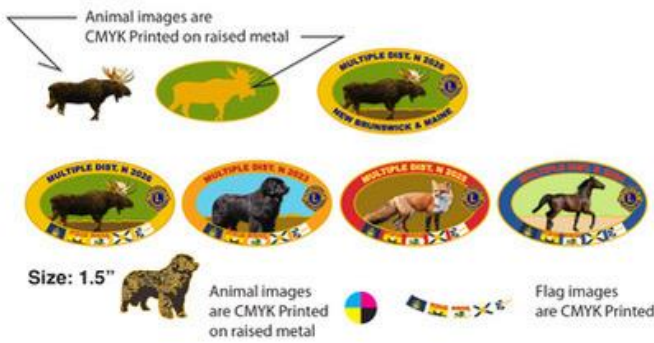
Patti Pins – Motion to continue as in previous years. 100 per district, 50 for the Council Chair, 50 for the CST. Council Chair Greg King to order. Funds will come from Admin Reserves.

Motion by DG Val Clarke, 2<sup>nd</sup> by DG Susan Stennick

Motion Carried

**Pins – PCC Sonny Bonnell**

PinSource® JOB: Lions MDN 2023 V2 SALES: Kevin DATE: 07-11-23  
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PCC Sonny proposed that we proceed with this series; there will be no District names.

It was stated that the Quebec flag should be add to the bottom and change the animal for the Nova Scotia Pin. Council will meet next week to finalize the changes.

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Kyle Kollegger	4-6 weeks	FedEx IPD	China	Prepay

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Lions MDN	500	1.5"W soft enamel lapel pin with CMYK print gold plating, CMYK print on raised plating, epoxy coating butterfly clutch individually poly bagged	\$2.37	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,185.00

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS!**

PCC Scott brought up about inventory. Pins, Scarves, etc...

**Additions to agenda**

1. MD Dress - Last year in Dartmouth, there was a large discussion about DG(E)’s wearing “Whites” to the noon luncheon. It was voted out last year by the Council of Governors, which allowed the DG(E)’s to wear “Blue over Grey”. The thought at that time was to make this permanent.

This has to go to the Districts and to Constitution & ByLaws.

Motion to move forward was made to proceed with the following, Blue over Grey for luncheon and Whites or whatever for the Banquet.

\*\*Notice of motion will be ready for the Fall Conference to be brought to the Spring Convention.

2. Flag reimbursement – DG Eric Sturge took the Flags to Boston and shipped them back that came with a price. We didn’t have a policy in place before today – now we have a policy thanks to PCC Susan who has added it to the policy manual. Because there was no policy at the time,

we owe DG Eric what it cost to ship the flags back. Motion was made to reimburse DG Eric for the cost of shipping.

Motion by DG Susan Stennick, 2<sup>nd</sup> by DG Joyce

Motion Carried

There were a few comments about how the flags are over size, heavy and they smell. The Council will come up with a plan for this years Convention.

### **Final Words**

PDG OJ

- Reminded the DG's that they have received their Mission 1.5 goals, and they are expected. Look at your goals and see how you are going to achieve those goals. LCI is watching us. They were watching MD N and MD A – and LCI is impressed with us. Some of the other CA's are watching us as well, because Dr. Patti is our International President, we have to do her proud this year.
- New Lions portal is supposed to be online by September 15. Translation into 14 different languages is the hold up right now.

Lion Pat stated that she has contacts in Melbourne if anything is needed for the Convention.

Lion Michelle reminded the Governors to send the list of Deceased members to Lion Lori Perly each month instead of at the end.

CST Rhonda asked Council Chair Greg if the Council had discussed the accounting program. He said no. Because we only had four days the Council made a motion to continue with Sage for this year and to have a replacement early for next year.

Motion by DG Val Clarke, 2<sup>nd</sup> by DG Eric Sturge

Motion Carried

Adjournment: Motion by DG Eric Sturge at 9:44pm

**\*\*Please note any report received is showing exactly as received.\*\***

Motion by: DG Joyce Gero 2<sup>nd</sup> by: DG Eric Sturge

Motion Carried

Remaining reports received.

**LCIF – PDG Luke Stennick**



**MULTIPLE DISTRICT N  
LCIF REPORT  
2023-24**

**DISTRICT N 1: PDG Boyd Sangster**

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2022-23:	US\$ 22,329.96
PERCENTAGE OF CLUB PARTICIPATION:	36%
MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIPS:	17
PROGRESSIVE MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIPS:	7
NUMBER OF CLUB LCIF COORDINATORS 2023-24:	24

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**DISTRICT N 2: PDG Jane Gregory**

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2022-23:	US\$ 16,468.09
PERCENTAGE OF CLUB PARTICIPATION:	36%
MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIPS:	21
PROGRESSIVE MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIPS:	3
NUMBER OF CLUB LCIF COORDINATORS 2023-24:	22

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**DISTRICT N 3: PDG Erle Barrett**

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2022-23:	US\$ 13,301.63
PERCENTAGE OF CLUB PARTICIPATION:	36%
MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIPS:	19
PROGRESSIVE MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIPS:	0
NUMBER OF CLUB LCIF COORDINATORS 2023-24:	17

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**DISTRICT N 4: Lion Roxanne Oates**

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2022-23:	US\$ 18,688.54
PERCENTAGE OF CLUB PARTICIPATION:	36%
MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIPS:	12



PROGRESSIVE MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIPS: 7  
NUMBER OF CLUB LCIF COORDINATORS 2023-24: 23  
GRANTS RECEIVED:

DISTRICT N 1:	US\$ 10,000.00	EMERGENCY GRANT
DISTRICT N 2:	US\$ 10,000.00	EMERGENCY GRANT
DISTRICT N 3:	US\$ 10,000.00	EMERGENCY GRANT
	US\$ 56,067.00	MATCHING GRANT

An Emergency Grant of US\$ 10,000.00 was received by District N 2 in response to the recent wildfires. This grant is in its closing stage. Great work Lions!!

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**DISTRICT COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANT BALANCE:**

DISTRICT N 1:	US\$ 2167.85	
DISTRICT N 2:	US\$ 1711.85	
DISTRICT N 3:	US\$ 3672.09	STEPHENVILLE LIONS CLUB: \$ 973.47
DISTRICT N 4:	US\$ 6835.20	

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US\$ 4051.75 in contributions as of August 19, 2023

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All District Coordinators went to Toronto for LCIF Training on August 10 to August 12.

**GOALS FOR 2023-24:**

- Work with District Coordinators to increase the number of Club Coordinators by 50%.
- Increase the number of individual contributions by 10% by encouraging a monthly gift of \$ 5.00 Canadian.
- Do presentations that show, not only the impact, but the value of LCIF service projects.
- Assist Districts with fundraising goals set by LCIF Board of Trustees.

PDG Luke Stennick  
MD N LCIF Coordinator

## Diabetes – 1VDG Karen Lavigne

### **Diabetes Report MD N August 31, 2023**

I have been in contact with the Diabetes Chairs in the MD N for Lion year 2022/23. I have emailed asking the four District Diabetes Chairs how was their year good or bad.

District N1 which there has been some issues for clubs with fundraising for Diabetes Canada as they feel shunned by them. The District Diabetes chair keeps trying to work with the clubs in District N1 to bring awareness to Diabetes.

District N2 continue to do Diabetes Awareness Newsletter. The newsletter continues provide interesting articles, up and coming event and recipes. Continue to be in contact Diabetes Canada they have been giving updates on Camps and programs. They held an event called Pump Couture Fashion Show. It was evening dedicated to understanding and highlighting issues surrounding wearable tech, body image and stigma in diabetes in the Halifax area. There were three Lions from District N2 involved in this event. District N2 Lions Cavalcade and Friendship Night was back after so long which was May 2, 2019, which District N2 raised \$27,000 for Camp Lion Maxwell. Camp Day was a bit of a disappointment due to only allow to invite ten Lions to attend.

District N3 unfortunately had not heard anything from the Diabetes Chair this past year.

District N4 had a good year. Some of the things that different clubs have done this past year are as follows: Collected used clothing; collected used house hold item; dropped off at Diabetes bins all over town; had speakers go to clubs and speak on diabetes; had card game and proceeds go to diabetes; purchased needed supplies for diabetics; made sure people got to diabetic clinics when needed; lots of interest in sending kids that have diabetes to camp this summer especially Camp Douwanna; on Salmonier Line. We have our Diabetes Cavalcade scheduled for June 11th. 2023.

I have asked the District Governors who their Diabetes Chairs are this Lions year 2023/24. I have heard from Districts N2, N3 and N4 with their Diabetes Chairs contact information. I have yet to hear from District N1 with who Diabetes Chair is for 2023/24 year. Will continue to communicate and give guidance to any chair that is in need. Hope is to be able to have zoom meeting with the District Diabetes Chairs this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Karen LaVigne  
Diabetes Chair  
MD N 2023/24

**Long Range Planning – PCC Doug Small**



**Lion Doug Small  
Past Council Chair  
Multiple District N**

**Long Range Planning Chair**

Report to MDN Council  
August 31 2023

Council Chair Greg, CST Rhonda, Council of Governors,  
First, let me thank you for entrusting me with the position of Long Range Planning Chair.  
To that end I will need to build the core team and I will require the name and contact information from each District Governor of the appointed Long Range Planning District Chair.  
Third, should anyone at this meeting know of any other Lions interested in planning, please pass on their names and contact info.  
Importantly, I would like to hear from Council on their inputs on the direction this plan should take.  
I plan to build a team of core members that will meet regularly to work on a plan with a supplementary team to gather input from the Lions on the Multiple.

Yours in Lionism

Lion Doug Small  
Past Council Chairman  
Multiple District N

**IPCC Report – PCC Doug Small**



**Lion Doug Small  
Past Council Chair  
Multiple District N**

**Immediate Past Council Chair**

Report to MDN Council  
August 31, 2023

Council Chair Greg, CST Rhonda, Council of Governors,  
This is a summary of my view of the past Lions year....

In May of 2022 I was pleased to be elected to the position of Council Chair. I was just finishing my DG year after replacing the departed DG John Bettle and I was happy to have been able to get our District back together at our first face to face District N 1 Convention since the covid-19 shutdown.

One of my goals was to get the Multiple back together face to face at our meetings. I was good to see our summer meeting well attended, even attracting a visit from PID Allan Hunt. Next was another well attended meeting, the Fall Conference in Moncton, again face to face. The crowning glory was our annual convention and officers' school in May with a visit from PID John Youney.

Another goal was to "beef up" our communications throughout the year and I believe that Zoom made that possible allowing us to get together virtually every month and on special requests.

I want to thank PCC Mike for organizing the virtual RLLI last spring. It was a needed and appreciated event.

I wish the new council the best of luck and I hope you don't take as long creating the next MDN pin as we did.

Yours in Lionism

Lion Doug Small  
Past Council Chairman  
Multiple District N