

**Minutes of Multiple District 5 – Council of Governors Meeting
November 22, 2009**

The meeting called to order by CC Lion Duane Zwinger at 8:00 a.m. with the following members present PID Bruce Schwartz, PID Garnet Davis, PID Lloyd Hansen, PID Gary Fry, PCC Leo Grossman, PDG Gladi Andrew, PDG Craig Wollenburg, PDG Joan Moore, PCC Bob Moore, PDG George Pretli, Lion Maureen Pockett, VG Hildebrand, VG Becker, VG Vannett, VG Charles, VG Adrian, VG Hill, VG Littlefield, VG Burkhead, 2VG Schley, 2VG Johnson, 2VG Gibson, DG Vannett, DG Scheller, DG Madill, DG Westlund, DG Grimmond, DG Waldron, Dg Ruff, DG Ewles.

Announcements:

Council Chairman's Election – CC Zwinger

Discussion was held yesterday with the District Governors without the Vice Governors present. Went through the Constitution last night and got the procedure correct. Can be one of nine sitting Governors, Governors interested in the position must declare intentions on or before February 20th, 30 to 45 days before the next sitting of the Council of Governors. Council Chairman will be elected by the current Council of Governors, 9 sitting Governors, 3 reps and District Governors elect – 6. Council Chairman is not part of the Council of Governors and does not get to vote. In case of a tie, the election procedure will go on for 3 times and still tied – the tie will be broken by a predetermined procedure. The winner must have a majority of votes.

For the information of the Vice District Governors who were not present when this was discussed in the Council meeting. Public Relations - is very important and is being pushed this year and you as Vice District Governors should doing this also. This is a very important item, "Lions in Sight", for the International President and he has made this a major point in his program. He is pushing for a major project in the last two weeks of January, publicize Lions whatever way you can, special project. We applied for and received a Grant whereby each District has about \$2,200.00 to apply to this project. Letting the public know what we do.

GMT Area Leader Presentation - PID Gary Fry & Garnet Davis.

Council Meeting Reconvened:

International Liaison – PID Bruce Schwartz.

Presidential Awards - LCI President Wirfs has changed the format for the Presidential Awards a little to go along with his motto "Move to Grow". He is going to use a portion of the Presidents Medal and the Presidents Leadership Award for his program "Move to Grow" and they will go to people, Lions, Governors or whomever that is strong in new member or new Club growth. A limited number of the other awards are going to those who are recommended by you Governors of all the Districts. The applications have been passed out to you and if you note there is no deadline shown, however, it has been recommended that the applications be submitted by the March Council meeting to myself. The Awards will be passed out at the MD5 Convention in June at Saskatoon. The Certificate of Appreciation can be presented at your respective District Convention and you can work with your International speaker on the presentation of the certificates.

New LCIF Development Plan - the Plan has been newly developed and is in its first year. It is designed that by 2012 the amount of giving will go from nearly 20 million to the neighbourhood of 30 million dollars a year. It is set up as the formula used by Sight First II. The program is set up to increase the giving as up to now there has not been a program set up for the giving to LCIF. Sector coordinators are for North & South Dakota – PID Bruce Schwartz and PID Garnet Davis for Saskatchewan. District coordinators to be set up and put into place for each District and each coordinator to have a budget of approximately \$100.00 to cover expenses related to mailings and travel. Each District coordinator should be appointed for a three year term. The major point of the Program is “Awareness” to ensure everyone is aware of the information available and that the information is in the hands of everyone. The coordinator will be the go to person over the next three years should information be needed or passed out.

Program is being worked on and it is felt that it will be 4 to 5 years to get the Program functioning properly with the goal of having each District a 100% District where all the Clubs in the District have contributed something to LCIF.

PID Garnet reported that there has been some interest in having a Canadian Director elected to the LCI Board of Directors. Up to now there has been no District eligible to elect a Director, however, as of July 1, 2010 we will have 2 Canadian Districts eligible to be endorsed to be a Director. There is a process in Canada whereby the election of Directors rotate and for the term 2011 – 2013 it will be our turn to elect a Director. We have a candidate that will announce his intention his candidacy at his next District Convention in February 2010. The next step is to be endorsed by the Multiple District at the next District Convention in 2011 at Rapid City, SD. However, according to the Constitution the endorsement must be 30 days prior to the International Convention and with the MD5 Convention being in early June it will not meet the requirements for the endorsement for the International Convention in Seattle. In view of this, it is the request of the Liaison committee that the Council of Governors consider the possibility of setting a Special MD5 District Convention with the purpose of endorsing a candidate for the election of a Director to the Board of Directors, LCI. The possible date being a year from next March, (March, 2011). Have in conjunction with another activity. Have the Council meeting – adjourn the Council meeting and go into the Special Convention and have the election – then go back into the Council meeting.

Special MD5 Convention – March, 2011. – Place on the Mach Agenda – Council of Governors Meeting.

Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute – PID Lloyd Hansen

Materials have been sent to all Governors giving the dates of the Institute and the addition of another Multiple District from Missouri, 5 Multiple Districts sharing in the GPLLI. Annual meeting held on October 10, 2009 in Omaha, Nebraska. Dates set for next year, July 16 – 18, 2010, Buena Vista, Storm Lake, Iowa, University of Northern Iowa. Great facilities to stay at, your own room and such. Costs remain the same - \$110.00 registration. Discussion held as to locations, Iowa not given a location as they just joined, Nebraska given one year only for a location. Then the election of Board Directors held and they are the ones who run the GPLLI. Election of Directors needs to be approved by the Multiple District Council of Governors. Moved by DG Wayne (5NE) that PID Lion Bruce Schwartz, PID Lion Bob Drabek be approved for the election to the B of D GPLLI and seconded by DG James (5NC). Carried. PID Lloyd is the Registrar and all applications will be sent to him. This year there were 67 registered to attend the GPLLI and the highest number was 86 when the GPLLI was held in South Dakota. Goal is to reach 100 registered.

Long Range Planning Committee – PCC Dale Ekstrom.

No report filed.

2010 Sydney, Australia International Convention

No information or report available.

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum – Memphis. – PID Garnet Davis

The Forum was well attended with approximately 2800 in attendance with a large contingent from Multiple District 5. Garnet reported that the speakers were good and ranked them at 6 or 7 on a scale of 10. Well organized Forum with very nice facilities, well hosted and those in attendance had a good time.

MD5 2011 Convention – Progress Report:

MD5 2011 Convention will be in Deadwood, South Dakota on June 8 – 11, 2010. Convention Headquarters will be at the Deadwood Lodge & Convention Centre. It is a new building and all inclusive, it has a restaurant, bar, casino. It has 140 rooms and we have blocked off 80 rooms for the convention with the room price being \$129.00. On Thursday, June 8th, there will be a Golf Tournament. On Thursday or Friday there will be a Poker Tournament for those wishing to take part, otherwise there will be the normal ice breaker kick off. Not confirmed but the registration will be between \$125.00 - \$130.00. Zone 5 Lions (Rapid City Lions) will be hosting the Convention and PDG Lion Ken Gifford and DG Larry Burkhead will be co-chairing. Presentation to be made at the Saskatoon MD5 Convention and Registration Forms will be available. Anyone wishing to book rooms now at the Deadwood Lodge for the MDS Convention can do so if they wish.

Committee Reports:

Organization & Finance – Chairman Report: PDG Joe Harris for PDG Ken Gifford.

Report filed.

Constitution & Bylaws – Committee will with the Council get the new revised Constitution, have the old Constitution there with the sections needing amendments crossed out and the new wording added. Then go over the new Constitution with a fine tooth comb and then approve it and make a copy. Then get a copy of the addresses of all the Clubs and send Clubs a new copy of the Constitution. Revised constitution should be available for the March Council meeting.

Budget – Motion that we approve the budget as presented by PDG Craig and seconded by DG Ron. Carried.

DG Waldron approached the Council with the request of a matching grant of \$1,000.00 for an extension workshop he is planning for District 5CW in February 2010. District 5CW to put up \$1,000.00 towards the workshop. Discussion – it was felt that this was the responsibility of the District and not part of the budget of MD5.

Membership & Leadership : Chairman Report PDG Craig Wollenburg.

Report filed.

PID Garnet requested that 1 hour be allocated on Saturday morning at the March Council meeting for a discussion with the Mentors and the Group (Council of Governors).

Service Activities & Public Relations: Chairman Report - PDG Gladi Andrew.

Report filed.

DG Ron has a CD for the memorial service at the MD5 Convention in Saskatoon and anyone wishing to see it can do so following the meeting.

Council meeting adjourned 3:40 p.m. by C.C. Zwinger.