



AGENDA
2014 - 2015 COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS MEETING
The Abbey Resort
269 Fontana Blvd in Fontana, Wisconsin
May 14, 2015 - 4:00 PM – Black Point Room

1 **Call to order by Council Chair Connie LeCleir-Meyer at 4:00 PM**

Those present were:

Council Chair C. LeCleir-Meyer

DG D. Eberhardt, Jr., A1	DG M. Suckow, C2
DG C. Steinmetz, A2	DG R. Harrison, D1
DG G. Silah, B1	DG D. LeFaive, E1
DG F. Sanderson, B2	DG P. Sandness, E2
DG E. Hartvig, C1	

VDG M. Drew, A1	VDG G. Krug, C2
VDG R. Klockow, A2	VDG D. Schwedersky, D1
VDG M. Henke, B1	VDG G. Daines, D2
VDG S. Selner, B2	VDG L. Bradley, E1
VDG R. Henning, C1	VDG J. Nesseth, E2

2 nd VDG T. Berendes, B1	2 nd VDG E. Holthaus, D1
2 nd VDG G. Schlender, B2	2 nd VDG R. O'Connell, E1

2 nd VDGE G. Moegenburg, A2	2 nd VDGE Jodi Burmester, D1
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IPIP Barry Palmer, Australia	GLT Coord., IPDG Greg Pryor, A1
ID Karla Harris	IPDG Dawn Christensen, B1
IPID, GLT Coord. Mark Hintzmann	PDG, PDGO Dave Sievert, B2
PID, GMT Coord. Art Marson	PDG Dwaine Habrat, C1
PID, LCIF Coord. Wayne Heiman	PDG, State Conv Coord. John Jenson, D1
PID Peter Cerniglia	WLF Pres., Lee Vrieze, E1
PID Phil Ingwell	WLF V. Pres. Jack Reindl, A2

Lion Jo Marson, D2	Lion Mike Meyer, E2
PDG Tom LeCleur, E2	Lion Anita LeCleur, E2
DG Spouse Kim Steinmetz, A2	VDG Spouse Diane Henke, B1
DG Spouse Mark Suckow, C2	VDG Spouse, Patty Krug, C2
DG Spouse Ken LaFaive, E1	VDG Spouse, Doris Bradley, E1
DG Spouse Brian Sandness, E2	VDG Spouse Vonnie Henning, C1
DG Spouse Don Hartvig, C1	WLF Pres. Spouse Mary Vrieze, E1
2 nd VDG Spouse Rose Berendes, B1	2 nd VDG Spouse Laurie Holthaus, D1
2 nd VDG Spouse Rosie O'Connell, E1	Lion Steve Johnson, D2
2 nd VDGE Spouse Jennifer Moegenburg, A2	

- 1 **Call to order** - Council Chair Connie LeCleur-Meyer
- 2 **Pledge of Allegiance** – Vice Council Chair Elect, DG Evett Hartvig
- 3 **Prayer** - DG Pat Sandness
- 4 **Song** – DG Pat Sandness
- 5 **Introductions and opening remarks** – CC Connie LeCleur-Meyer
CC Connie asked ID Karla to introduce our special guest for the weekend, IPIP and chair of the Lions International Foundation, Barry Palmer.
- 6 **Approval of Agenda** – CC Connie LeCleur-Meyer
Change to #10E, solicitation of funds for PRIDE, instead of #14B.
Change to #9K, PR Technology Coordinator, they will cover #13D.
Add a section for comments at the end.
Motion # 115 by DG Eberhardt/DG Suckow to approve the agenda. 7-0 carried
- 7 **Approval of March COG meeting minutes** – DG Pat Sandness
Motion #116 by DG Steinmetz/DG Hartvig to approve the March COG minutes. 7-0 carried
- 8 **Correspondence** – DG Pat Sandness
DG Pat had read a thank you note from Lion Salena Sackrider on the passing of her husband Lion Alan Sackrider.

CC Connie had passed around correspondence from the Lions of Kansas representing Lion Bill Phillippi for International Director.
- 9 **LCI Committees and Reports**
 - A. ID Karla Harris – **REPORT**
WI is very close to ending this year in the positive with membership.
 - B. International Relations Committee – ID Karla Harris - **REPORT**
 - C. LCIF – PID Wayne Heiman - **REPORT**
 - D. Alert – PDG Joe Fisher

E. Global Leadership Team – PDG Greg Pryor / PID Mark Hintzmann – **BUDGET REPORT**

GMT/GLT session will be held tomorrow. They would like all DG's, 1st VDG's, 2nd VDG's and GMT/GLT chairs to attend.

a. GLT Budget approval

Motion #117 by DG Eberhardt/DG Silah to approve budget for 2015-2016 GLT. Motion recinded.

Motion #118 by DG Eberhardt/DG Silah to recommend the GLT submitted budget of \$9200.00 for 2015-2016. 9-0 carried

CC Connie stated that an application for GLT co-chair has been received from PDG Bob Faliveno and it is currently being reviewed by Brian Sheehan.

F. Global Membership Team – PID Art Marson – **BUDGET REPORT**

At the end of this last April, MD27 was only down by 18 members.

In 2008 there were 20338 lions in WI. Currently there are 18373 lions.

Motion #119 by DG Hartvig/DG Sanderson to recommend the proposed GMT budget of \$4,000. 9-0 carried

G. International Convention Committee – PDG John Jenson – **REPORT**

Discussion on new parade uniform under 10F.

Motion #120 by DG Eberhardt/DG Lafaive to approve additional pins & stick-ons for approximately 20 lions going to International that already do not receive an allocation. 9-0 carried

H. Leo Chairperson – need to identify chairperson

I. Lions Services for Children – need to identify chairperson

J. Protocol Chair – PID Art Marson

K. PR/Technology Coordinator – Lion Jodi Burmester - **REPORT**

a. Cover myLCI District Expert Update (13D) here

All DGE's must get their custom cmte spreadsheet to Lion Eric Holthaus asap. This is already past deadline.

As of this Monday, the DGE's will be granted access to the myLCI so they can start entering their District Cabinet information, zone & region structures and zone & region chairs for the directory. Any questions or concerns with this, please contact Jodi and she will be happy to walk you through it over the phone. These are due in the system by June 1st.

An additional challenge is to get "ALL" your club officer reporting information into the system. Jodi has previously sent the DGE's a list with all the clubs still outstanding. Hopefully you are all working with your myLCI coordinators to get all this information into the

system. Latest, latest deadline for this is June 1st, to be able to get a printed directory for the July COG mtg.

- b. Status from Districts of Club Officer Reporting
- L. Quest – Lion Joanne Heup

M. Youth Exchange – DG Marla Suckow – **REPORT**

DG Marla would like to thank Lion Diane for her continued success and hard work with the Youth Exchange Camp.

- a. \$3,000 advancement request

Motion #121 by DG Suckow/DG Harrison to provide 100 of the current state pins to YE. 9-0 carried

Motion #122 by DG Suckow/DG Harrison to advance \$3000 to YE Chair Diane for pre-purchased items for the YE camp. 9-0 carried

Motion #123 by DG Hartvig/DG to approve a prepaid debit card for YE with a maximum of \$3000. 5-4 carried

note: this decision was changed with an email vote to all DG's asking that Lion Diane receive a check for \$3,000 to purchase items for the YE camp. Reason being that a debit card would have to be linked to a checking account, which the YE does not have. Also, it would be difficult to receive the remaining balance of the \$3000 back from the bank off the debit card. The \$3,000 advancement was proved 10-0. carried.

- N. Youth Outreach - need to identify chairperson

10 **MD27 / State Committee Reports**

A. Birch-Sturm Endowment – DG Gary Silah - **REPORT**

- a. Continuance of the Birch-Sturm Memorial Fund-motion required
Motion #124 by DG Silah/DG Lafaive to approve the continuance of the Birch-Sturm Memorial Fund. 9-0 carried

B. Diabetes Focus Group (included in WLF report)

C. Lioness Affiliate – ADP Cindy Noack

D. Lioness Affiliate Liaison – Lion Dennis Daniels

- a. Status on newspaper advertisement

At this time there have been zero interest in this position. The deadline is June 1st.

E. Lions Pride Endowment – DG Pat Sandness - **REPORT**

- a. Solicitation of Funds request

A copy of the PRIDE audit was given to the MD.

Motion #124 by DG Sandness/DG Steinmetz to approve the solicitation of funds. 9-0 carried

F. Merchandise – DG Chuck Steinmetz

a. New style of red parade shirts-motion requested

Motion #125 by DG Hartvig/DG Sanderson to approve the new style of red/white parade shirt. 9-0 carried

Note: the week following the State Convention Council meeting it was found that all sizes were not available for the red/white shirts and at this time the DGE's have decided to place a small order of the "old" shirts so they will be available for the Int'l Convention. It was strongly encouraged that the new red/white parade shirt be discussed again in the 2015-2016 lionistic year.

G. PDG Organization – PDG Dave Hempel

H. Research and Long Range Planning Committee

I. State Bowling – Edd Hanke

J. State Curling – Dave Lemke

K. State Newspaper – DG Marla Suckow – **REPORT**

DG Harrison addressed the council. He stated that the current proposal is to have the Lions state newspaper go digital by Jan 1st. That being said, he wanted the council to think about the possibility of doing away with the newspaper entirely. Possibly having district articles and such be added to the WI Lions website instead of a newspaper website.

L. State Pin Committee – PDG Robert Blunck

M. State Resolutions-Constitution & By-Laws Committee – PDG John Jenson

N. USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum – PID Mark Hintzmann

Price is going up at the end of May. Current information on the website.

O. Wisconsin Lions Foundation – DG Shawn Redington - **REPORT**

P. Personnel Committee (In closed session, if necessary)

11 **Initiatives Supported by the Lions of Wisconsin**

A. Leader Dog – DG Chuck Steinmetz - **REPORT**

B. Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin – DG Fred Sanderson - **REPORT**

C. Restoring Hope Transplant House – DG Randy Harrison

D. Wisconsin Lions Missions – PCC Bill Taubman

12 **State Convention Reports**

A. State Convention 2015 – PDG John Jenson – **REPORT**

Total registrants 554

Friday Luncheon 350

Saturday Luncheon 437

Saturday Banquet 246

Motion #126 by DG Eberhardt/DG Suckow to approve the final schedule of the state convention. 9-0 carried

CC Connie asked that PDG John share with the Convention Committee the appreciation of the Council on all the work they have done.

- B. State Convention Affiliate Clubs Committee
- C. State Convention Credentials Committee
- D. State Convention Parliamentarian Committee
- E. State Convention Sergeant-at-Arms Committee
- F. State Convention Site Screening Committee
- G. State Convention Tail Twisters Committee

13 **Ad Hoc Committee Reports**

- A. Application for LCI funds – motion required
- B. LCI / WI Centennial Celebration Committee – ID Karla Harris – **REPORT**

IPIP Palmer addressed the Council on the restructuring of LCIF. The first of July they will be going into a transition year with the following July having a separate Board of Trustees. The main reason for that is to generate more income for LCIF which will enable them to make more grants for LCIF.

ID Karla spoke about the 1million 615,000 that have been helped through the 4 course service projects here in WI.

Motion #127 by DG Eberhardt/DG Sandness to approve the request to allow the Centennial Committee to research money that will become available through LCI. 9-0 carried.

ID Karla stated that there will a \$15,000 grant, starting July 1st, which will require approval from next year's Council to match that grant at 20%. That money can be used anytime within a 3 year period, however there is a limited amount of money available.

- C. MD27 Stuff the Bus Committee - Lion Jodi Burmester - **REPORT**
- D. State Office Operations – Kathy Gruna
- E. myLCI District Expert Update – Lion Jodi Burmester

14 **Finances – DG Delores LaFaive – P&L and BUDGET**

- A. Budget process for 2014-2015 COG update (Policy B8)
- B. Request to solicit funds, if any (Policy L1)
- C. Miscellaneous approvals

- a. Dues billing clarification

Clarification on dues starting next Lionistic year. The 1st half dues will be billed at the odd amount of \$2.63 and the 2nd half dues will be billed at the even amount of \$2.62.

b. Close out BMO Harris savings account-motion required
Motion #128 by DG Lafaive/DG Harrison to close out the BMO Harris savings account and transfer the \$8,000+ amount into the Community First Savings account. 9-0 carried

15 **Policy Committee – DG Dan Eberhardt**

A. Discussion of suggested Policy changes – **REPORT**

Motion #129 By DG Eberhardt/DG Sanderson to approve changes to Policy C-5 as presented in your packets. 9-0 carried

Motion #130 by DG Eberhardt/ DG Sandness to approve changes to Policy R-1 as presented in your packets. 9-0 carried

16 **Council of Governors Meeting**

A. June 27, 2015

B. LCI International Convention in Honolulu, HI

C. Time/meeting place TBD

17 **Adjournment**

Motion #131 by DG Eberhardt/DG Harrison to adjourn at 6:30 pm
9-0 carried