

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL CONVENTION COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS' MEETING

May 22, 2026

Wenatchee Convention Center, Wenatchee, WA

The Council Meeting was called to order by Council Chairperson Steve Brooks at 8:51 AM. Introductions of the Council and 1st and 2nd VDGs took place at this time.

The following Lions, Lioness, and Guests were in attendance and recorded as attended:

I. Council of Governors

Steve Brooks, Council Chairperson
Wanda Eddy, Past Council Chairperson
Patty Allen-White, Vice Council Chairperson
Mark Lyon, 1st International Vice President
Mark Mansell, International Director
Peter Anderson, Executive Director
Teresa Ng, District Governor, 19-L
Steve Sweeney, District Governor, 19-I
September Stokes, District Governor 19-O
Donna Murr, District Governor, 19-N
Roger Schramm, District Governor 19-S
Kevin Borde, PDG 19-L
Chuck Robinson, PDG 19-I
Beth James, PDG 19-O
Leslie Chasse, PDG 19-N
Tammy Allan, PDG 19-S

II. MD19 Committee Chairpersons & Appointees

PDG Steve Staudinger, Budget & Finance / Elections
PCC Patty Allen-White, Contests & Awards
PDG Shelley Costello - Annual Conv. / Evaluation
Nancy Messmer Environment
PDG Norma Bent – Lions Quest
ZC Shelley Staudinger – LCI Convention
PDG Al Stobbart – LCIF BC
PID Don Shove– LCIF US
PDG Debbie Bostock -Leadership (GLT)
PCC Hal Palmer – Marketing
PDG Beth James – Membership (GMT)
PZC Jocelyn Wan, Service (GST)
PDG Ken Cook – Extension (GET)
Colette Arvidson – Knights of the Blind
PDG Lonnie Morgan – Youth Exchange
PCC J.D. Nellor, I&T, Parliamentarian & Webmaster

Foundations & Societies

PCC JD Nellor, Northwest Lions Foundation Chair.
PDG Steve Staudinger, MD19 Lions Foundation, Pres.

III. Lions, Leos, and Guests

Elva Aki		
PDG Ken Allan	DGE Cindy Fickett	DGE Joanne Payment
Andy Arvidson	Lewie Fickett	ZC Chris Qui
Stuart Austin	PDG Gord Graves	PZC Ryan Stokes
Michele Barrie	PDG Joel Haggan	PZC Rosemary Walkup
DGE Craig Boothe	PCC Lyndon Harriman	Peter Walkup
Judy Brooks	Liam Harris	DGE Rock White
Michael Contreras	PDG Michael Livingstone	Alec Wong
PDG Marilyn Danby	PCC John Moralek	PDG Steven Wong
PZC Bob Darrigan		

MOTION: A motion was made by PCC Patty Allen-White and seconded by District Governor Donna Murr, 19-N to accept the minutes of the Winter Council of Governors' Meeting, held February 7, 2026, as posted. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA REPORTS

CARE REPORT by PDG Bob Yeoman, Chairperson

"Donations received this fiscal year for CARE will go towards providing clean water in schools located in Guatemala. Currently Guatemala schools lack proper infrastructure for preparing meals in the schools. This is also attributed to poor sanitation procedures when it comes to washing hands.

The Council of Governors discussed and voted on the above project for MD19. We need to support the decisions that our leaders make. We currently are in the first year of a two-year project. Let's support CARE and our leaders. Thru the end of April our donations to CARE are \$27,111 compared to \$36,150 for the same period of time last year. This is a reduction of \$9,039. I feel very confident we can make up this difference by the end of June. Over the years I have seen Lions rise to the occasion to accomplish their goals. I've seen it in planting of trees serving individuals, *Campaign 100* and more.

Remember a donation of \$500.00 or more in this fiscal year entitles the club to request a Gordon F. Smith Fellowship. Currently over two dozen clubs have donated \$500.00 or more. Five clubs have donated \$1,000.00 or more. Clubs must request their Gordon F. Smith Fellowship from the MD19 office by fiscal year end. The CARE Fellowship form is on the MD19 website. From the main page go to toolbox, forms and scroll to bottom of the page.

Thank you to all clubs that are supporting CARE and supporting what our Council of Governors selected as a needy cause."

DIABETES AWARENESS REPORT by PDG Georgia Medwedrich, Chairperson:

"Council Chairperson and Council,

As we are near the end of this Lions year and prepare to start over again with a new year, one thing never stops and that is the fact that those of us with diabetes know it is never ending. No cure has been found yet and medication is expensive. For children with this disease, even going to a camp where they can be safe is hard and expensive.



Last year 231 children with diabetes made use of the diabetes camp near Gibsons, B.C. I do not have the complete total cost per child to attend but believe it is just over \$3000.00. I don't have the demographic of how many children have attended in Washington state, but understand that, it too is well over \$3000.00 per child. As a Lions International global cause, I sincerely hope that all clubs put even a little bit in their budget towards diabetes in their area.

As of the end of this weekend, the full totals will be available on our now completed MD19 Step Challenge. Due to health issues, I am unable to attend the convention. I wish to give a big thank you to PDG Jan Weatherly, who has stepped up to present the Top Stepper trophy this weekend.

Stay tuned to step up again in October for this challenge! I am looking for the missing districts to start participating and will be in touch with those DGs once the new year starts!"

MEMORIAL GARDEN REPORT by Wes Reynolds, Chairperson:

"This January was warm and sunny compared to recent years. A cherry blossom was seen. Some planting could be done.

There was a chance to get a lot of free wood chips. It appears we will not lose any plants to cold weather. Volunteers are invited to come work in the garden.

Although it is rainy as I write this, we are in perhaps our driest May ever. The irrigation system had been turned on. We are seeking drought tolerance in new plantings and the lavender in the flagpole area looks good. Some of our most successful plants are being transplanted including German Iris, Siberian Peashrub, and Douglas aster. Two more pallets of paver blocks were obtained for a significant discount and the last pathway extension to a bench by the rose garden is almost complete. The area with junipers, which borders the north property, that were removed is being mulched over with free wood chips in what will be a new planting area in the future. Weeding priorities are thistles, blackberry and ivy.

All weeders are welcome!"

LCIF-BC REPORT by PDG Al Stobbart, Chairperson:

"The Multiple District continues to do well in raising funds for LCIF with ~\$131k raised north of the border and ~ 53% of clubs having donated to date. Special thanks to the District Coordinators, District Governors and Zone Chairpersons throughout L, I and O for their efforts to keep our Foundation front and center in all contact with Clubs and members.

I attended the District L Melvin Jones Fellowship gala in Richmond, B.C. which saw cheques to LCIF in excess of \$75k presented. Also took part in the District I Convention in Kelowna along with MD19 US LCIF Coordinator Past International Director Don "Bubba" Shove. Was a good event and enjoyed hearing of what LCIF has contributed to that District, meeting members and hearing how LCIF is supported there.

Will be attending the MD Convention in Wenatchee WA and look forward to meeting new lions there as we draw nearer to the end of the 25/26 Lions Year."

LCIF-US REPORT by PID Don "Bubba" Shove, Chairperson:

"From Kristi Garcia, LCIF Staff coordinator:

1. We discovered that the report card was using fundraising data from the Canadian side of split districts in MD19. I have updated it manually to include the CA1 fundraising information for those districts. IT is currently working on a permanent fix. Until then, I'll continue updating the monthly report cards for MDs with split districts by hand.

2. The process for selecting a Club LCIF Coordinator is guided by LCIF and LCI leadership policies. Ideally, clubs should appoint a volunteer to serve in this role. However, if no one volunteers or is appointed, it is expected that the Immediate Past Club President (IPCP/IPPP) will automatically take on the responsibilities of the Club LCIF Coordinator. This approach ensures the position is always filled, supporting continuity in leadership and fundraising efforts.

This procedure is outlined in the LCIF nomination policy, which provides official guidance for clubs.

When discussing this with incoming club officers, you can explain it as follows:

1. The Club LCIF Coordinator is a recommended position and may not always be a separately elected officer.
2. If no member volunteers or is appointed to serve as the Club LCIF Coordinator, the Immediate Past President automatically assumes the role to ensure the club remains engaged and connected with LCIF initiatives.

We stand as of April 2026 at 103%

Keep up your good work and we look forward to working with the New DG's of MD19."

MD19 FOUNDATION REPORTS

LIONS OF BC HEARING CONSERVATION SOCIETY REPORT by PCC Surinder Gahir, President:

"Council Chairperson Steve and Council members greetings.

Lions of BC Hearing Conservation Society is going through a rough patch with the CRA, Canadian Revenue Agency.

For now, we have suspended all operations.

The board is meeting next week, and the final decision will be made.

It was not easy to decide to suspend the operations as the hearing aids we provide are much needed in our communities.

I will let you know about the board's decision as soon as it is made."

CLERC REPORT by PZC Barry Shiles, Chairperson:

"This year we have had an amazing crew of Lions collecting from all over BC and sending used eyeglasses to our shipping hub.

Glasses were shipped from as far away as Haida Gwaii. Vancouver Island contributed a large amount of glasses-15 shipments.

From Kelowna they shipped 1,134 lbs. or 1/2 ton of glasses. A total of seven shipments.

The lower mainland BC Lions collected 10,469 lbs. or 5 1/4 tons of glasses.

We still have another 2/12 tons in the process of sorting and boxing, getting ready to ship, bringing our total to 7 3/4 tons of glasses for this 2025 – 2026 year.

All this was from 25 shipments.

We also receive loose lenses from Northwest LERC and ship to CLERC.

Lions also work with TWECS receiving the glasses they cannot use, then sending those to CLERC.

Don't forget CLERC has a budget of \$200,000.00 per year so if your club can help, please put a line item on your budget for a donation to CLERC: CLERC, #2-1216 34 Ave.NE, Calgary, Alberta, T2E 6L9."

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Steve Sweeney, 19-I, and seconded by District Governor Teresa Ng, 19-L to accept the Consent Agenda and Foundation reports. Motion approved.

REPORTS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

CONTESTS & AWARDS REPORT by PCC Patty Allen-White, Chairperson:

"Council Chairperson Steve and Council Members:

Thanks, District Governors, Convention Chairpersons and Contests and Awards Chairpersons for working together to include the district level contests at your 2026 Conventions. There is some good work going on out there in MD19 as evidenced by the winning brochures, business cards, websites and speeches that were heard at the conventions.

Thank you to those Governors who submitted nominations for the Club Inspirational Award. Impressive. We'll announce the winner at the Closing General Session on Sunday. In fact, all winners will be announced at the Closing Session as well as conducting the Uniform Parade! Two members, or twenty members, join in the fun and march in the parade wearing your club's official 'swag'.

Please make sure your winning brochures, business cards and scrapbooks are submitted by Saturday in the MD19 Office. The name of the room is in the Convention Program.

The MD19 Office and I would like you to give us permission to update our Contest guidelines. This is a housekeeping request and would allow us to change titles and the wording now being used to make it current. An example is changing 'Spring Conferences' to 'District Conventions'."

MOTION: A motion was made by PDG Kevin Borde, 19-L, and seconded by VCC Wanda Eddy, to allow the Contests and Awards Committee to do any necessary housekeeping to the MD19 Contests & Awards rules to keep them current. Motion approved.

"If you would like to be a member of the MD19 Contests and Awards three-member team, let me know. This is a great program that encourages clubs to do healthy things for their growth like brochures, business cards, bulletins of one sort or another. It promotes pride in one's club and fun and fellowship.

Speaking of fun and fellowship. One of the criteria for a healthy club and solid membership growth is the **Club Induction Ceremony**. Such a ceremony welcomes new members into the Lions Family in a memorable, meaningful way. Sometimes clubs wait for weeks, months and even a full year to induct new members, because they are waiting for the Governor or Zone Chairperson to do it. That's a long time to wait for your pin and your welcome! A club could do it as soon as a member is reported to Lions International on the portal with their own Club Induction Team! Let's encourage our clubs to form their own team to welcome and recognize new members in a meaningful, timely fashion. Let's recognize those clubs who do it well, so that other clubs can learn from them and borrow ideas.

With that in mind, please consider reinstating the **Club Induction Team** Contest at the district and multiple district level. It could be a way to bring more people to our conventions on both levels. I have included the guidelines for this contest in this report and ask that you vote to include it in our Contests and Awards Program.

INDUCTION CEREMONY AWARD RULES

A TEAM made up of two or more members from one Lions or one Leo Club who have created a ceremony or have customized one of the Induction ceremonies provided by Lions Clubs International to reflect their club. The ceremony is designed to welcome a new member or member's into the club in a meaningful way.

ELIGIBILITY: They must be the winner, or in the case where the winner is unable to compete in the Multiple District 19 contest, the runner-up of the competition held at the District Spring Convention.

The District Governor or District Contests and Awards Chairperson sends the names of the winner and runner-up to the MD19 Office and MD19 Contests and Awards Chairperson within 30 days of the District Convention.

CEREMONY: The Induction Team will place emphasis on 'induction' rather than 'indoctrination'. An induction is a ceremonial event where someone is officially welcomed into an organization or group and is officially recognized as a member of that group or organization.

TIME LIMIT: The time for presentation will be limited to 10 minutes. A penalty of 1 point per minute, or fraction thereof, shall be assessed against the team running over the 10-minute limit.

JUDGING WILL BE BASED ON:

- 10 points for APPEARANCE
- 20 points for CONTENT
- 20 points for PRESENTATION"

MOTION: A motion was made by PDG Beth James, 19-O, and seconded by PDG Kevin Borde, 19-L to include the Club Induction Ceremony Contest back into the MD19 Contests and Awards. Motion approved.

"Please also consider reinstating a fun contest to our program. This is the **Musical Entertainment** Contest. Not skits, but musical entertainment. It can have humor but not be a skit. I would like us to have two categories. One for club entries and one for district groups made up of people from several clubs (Lions and Leos). We had a talent contest in the former District 19-H one year and had some amazing talent performed by both Leos and Lions. It was amazing! The guidelines for both the club Musical Entertainment and District Musical Entertainment are included in this report. Please read them over and come with your questions and to vote to incorporate them back into the C&A Program.

CLUB MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT AWARD RULES

A GROUP made up of one (1) or more club members playing any instrument or singing or dancing. {Please note that funny skits do not belong in the Musical Entertainment category). Singers may be accompanied by one or more instruments or use recorded music.

ELIGIBILITY: If there is more than one member in the group, all competing members must be members of the same Lions, or Leo Club and must be the winner, or in the case where the winner is unable to compete in the Multiple District contest, the runner-up of the competition held at the District Spring Convention.

ENTRY: Contestants MUST inform the District Contests and Awards Chairperson that they are competing for the Musical Entertainment Award at the District Spring Convention. The District Governor and/or the District Contests and Awards Chairperson will submit the club's name of the district winner and runner up to the MD19 Contests and Awards Chairperson and the MD19 Office within 30 days after his/her District Spring Convention.

TIME LIMIT: Eight (8) minutes allowed for each entrant with a penalty of ten (10) points being assessed for each minute or portion thereof over the eight (8) minutes.

JUDGING WILL BE BASED ON:

- 35% Musical Quality
- 30% Originality / Creativity in the musical selection performed
- 35% Stage Presence including costuming

DISTRICT MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT AWARD RULES

A GROUP made up of two (2) or more district members playing any instrument or singing or dancing. {Please note that funny skits do not belong in the Musical Entertainment category). Singers may be accompanied by one or more instruments or use recorded music.

ELIGIBILITY: There must be more than one member in the group, and all the members in the group must be Lions or Leo Club members of the same district. They must be the winner, or in the case where the winner is unable to compete in the Multiple District contest, the runner-up of the competition held at the District Spring Convention.

ENTRY: Contestants MUST inform the District Contests and Awards Chairperson that they are competing for the District Musical Entertainment Award at the District Spring Convention. The

official name of the group and the name of each contestant and his/her club should be submitted when the group is registered with the District Contests and Awards Chairperson.

WINNER ADVANCES: The District Governor and/or the District Contests and Awards Chairperson will submit the name of the district winner and runner up to the MD19 Contests and Awards Chairperson and the MD19 Office within 30 days after his/her District Spring Convention. The winner or runner-up will represent their district at the next MD19 Annual Convention.

TIME LIMIT: Eight (8) minutes allowed for each group with a penalty of ten (10) points being assessed for each minute or major portion thereof over the eight (8) minutes.

JUDGING WILL BE BASED ON:

- 35% Musical Quality
- 30% Originality / Creativity in the musical selection performed
- 35% Stage Presence including costuming”

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor Roger Schramm, 19-S, and seconded by PDG Chuck Robinson, 19-I to include both the Club Musical Entertainment and the District Musical Entertainment Contests into the MD19 Contests and Awards. Motion approved.

“Both contests would be for Lions and Leos. Both could bring more people to our conventions. They would compete separately for the Induction teams and Club Musical Entertainment – Lions with Lions and Leos with Leos. Leos and Lions would compete together as one big happy family in the district musical entertainment contest, because groups are allowed to include Leos and Lions.

Let’s do this and make our clubs and organization healthier while having fun earning bragging rights! Lions Pride!”

One other C&A matter was brought before the Council and that is the Zone Chairperson requirement to attend the Annual Convention during their time in office. It was discussed that this rule should be updated to include the Annual Convention prior to their year in office or during their year.

MOTION: A motion was made by District Governor September Stokes, 19-O, and seconded by PDG Tammy Allan, 19-S to update the Zone Chairpersons Rules to allow Zone Chairpersons to receive points for attending the Annual Convention prior to beginning their year as ZC or during their year as ZC. Motion approved.

ENVIRONMENT REPORT by Nancy Messmer, Chairperson:

“MD19 Environment Team Lions Year 2025-2026: L-Kitty Chiu, I-Bernie Jensen, O-Mike Contreras and N-Fred Ferreira. Representing five districts, District Environment Chairpersons, Zone Environment Chairpersons, and Club Environment Chairpersons work closely with four Lions serving as MD19 Environment Co-Chairpersons. We are an Environment Team that meets monthly on Zoom, hosted by Council Chairperson Steve Brooks, PCC Al Hedstrom and others. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 12 p.m. and invite interested Lions to join us. For invitation, write to: able@olypen.com Our team increases in size and scope as we are joined by Lions throughout our MD and from across the continent.

Fellow Lions, we have created a new Facebook Group for the Lions of MD19 Environmental Committee.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/lionsmd19environmentalcommittee>
Please follow this group and post your Lions Environmental Projects.
Share this group with other like-minded Lions.

For the remainder of this great report please click on the link:

<https://lionsmd19.org/resources.php>



CULTURAL EXCHANGE OPPORTUNITIES REPORT by PDG Tammy Allan, Chairperson: (Oral Report)

This is the first time that we have had opportunity to bring the 25+ Exchange program to the Multiple District, and only the second time that the program has been done. The first exchange was done in Brazil and the 2nd here in MD19. Future exchanges are to be held in Italy, Australia, Mongolia and there is another location, which I cannot recall at the moment. They are all in the works and will be great opportunities for older Lions and Leos to experience other areas.

We started this journey with the North American Youth Exchange Forum in Seattle, WA in February of this year, from the 25th to the 28th. We had three countries and 13 states represented and a couple more on Zoom. And right after that forum, on March 1st we held our 25+ exchange. The parameters are that one must be 25 years or older and be a Lion or Leo in good standing. The purpose is to do service. Even if we can't speak the languages, service is one thing that everyone understands; it's what is at the heart of being a Lion – service.

Our hosts for each district were: Ron and Nancy Messmer, 19L; Tracy Thompson, 19I; DGE Rock and PCC Patty Allen-White, 19O; PDG Leslie Chasse and myself, 19N and PDG Lonnie Morgan and me for 19S. Many thanks to all of you for hosting our group! And a huge thank you to PDG Kevin Borde (19-L) who gave us the use of his cabin.

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Tammy presented a video to the Council and audience on the last 25+ exchange group and their travels around the Multiple District 19. It showed various locations in the districts to give our international guests a feel for our districts and how vast and different it is in every one of them. A great experience for everyone.

KNIGHTS OF THE BLIND by Colette Arvidson, Chairperson:

"Today, I represent MD19 KOTB (Knights Of The Blind) with this T-shirt, urging you to reach out to your state and local government to ask for them to proclaim and recognize White Cane Awareness Day October 15th and in Canada you have a little more time for provincial acknowledgement of White Cane Week, the first week of February. Representing the White Cane as the symbol of Independence, Mobility and Safety.

Please stop by our Display for your Golden Envelope providing the tools, ideas and inspiration to change lives through vision service.

It includes:

1. A brochure with simple ideas for your club, zone or district, from the *Grandpa's White Cane* Outreach in Elementary schools (website with all you need for this project at: GrandpaswhiteCane.com). For the last three school years we have been able to bring this message of access and inclusion to approximately 2,000 elementary school students one class at a time.
2. A simple resource brochure for providers' offices to ensure that people dealing with the fear of vision loss can find the support they need for independence. This includes state and provincial resources, library services, and consumer organizations of the blind in British Columbia, Idaho and Washington, as well as Hadley Helps (A non-profit organization providing free vision-loss training by mail, phone, or online to residents of both the US and Canada).
3. An open invitation, as is also found on the MD19 Website, to join us on ZOOM the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 PM Pacific; meeting ID: 862 5021 3577 and passcode: KOTB

We are happy to share ideas that can work to attract new members with a passion for the first global cause of Lions – VISION. From collaborative efforts with the Canadian Council of the Blind for Vision and Hearing Resource Fairs in Vancouver and coming this fall in Surrey, to Collaboration with Washington Council of the Blind for Low Vision Support Groups, to activities sparked by collaboration with California Lions MD4A Marketing Committee on Back-to-school Back Pack programs for Blind and low vision students with the tools they need or "a Ball For All" to bring all children together with an audible ball, and of course, our annual holiday Celebration of Talents of individuals who are Blind or Low Vision, scheduled for Saturday, December 12th, 2 PM Pacific time, and so much more!

We want to acknowledge the fact that in District O this year, the Oak Harbor Club acknowledged the importance of Website Accessibility in their contest submission creating the first accessible membership application. But without the advantage of input from blind users, missed the target they had hoped for. Because of our membership of blind and low vision individuals KOTB has been able to provide suggestions for them to work on making that site accessible. International Director Mark Mansell is working with us and LCI Technology to improve access to the LCI site and the Lion Portal, alongside some of our members who are part of an accessibility focus group for LCI.

Just a reminder of the importance of the statement when we want to serve anyone: 'NOTHING ABOUT US WITHOUT US.'

Provided by Colette Arvidson (colette.arvidson@gmail.com) on behalf of KOTB Committee Chair Bill Scholl."

District Governors Roger Schram, 19-S, Donna Murr, 19-N and September Stokes, 19-O spoke on something they learned as governor that they didn't know at this time last year.

Council Chairperson Steve Brooks took a moment of personal privilege. He awarded Certificates of Appreciation to Leo Peter Walkup, PDG Shelley Costello and ZC Shelly Staudinger. He also gave to MD19 Admin. Assistant Michele Barrie a 27.2-year plaque as a thank you for her years of service to the lions of MD19.

EVALUATION TEAM REPORT by PDG Shelley Costello, Chairperson (Oral Report)

The evaluation committee consists of three Past District Governors and the Council Chairperson on a rotating basis. Currently we have me from 19-I, Ken Cook from 19-S and Kathy Crawford from 19-N as well as CC Steve Brooks. I will be going off this year, and we are actively looking for a replacement third year member.

Our committee evaluates the job of the MD19 Executive Director with the assistance of the Council of Governors. The committee sent to the Council an evaluation form and asked them to evaluation Peter. Peter also evaluates himself and sends his comments to the committee.

Based upon the responses received we see that Peter has been doing an excellent job and we are happy with how things are going. There has been discussion on how things can be improved. Peter was evaluated on several items: personal supervision; leadership; conventions / forums; building and grounds and finance and publications. All these covers the realm of his position, and we are very happy with Peter and thank him very much.

Evaluation of Peter was not completed for quite some time, especially during the Covid period, so Peter went for at least eight years without having a true evaluation completed. We began it again last year and it will be an ongoing event from now on.

We have asked the budget and finance committee to consider an increase in cost of living. Currently, the city of Bellingham has a 2.8% cost of living, and we've asked for 3.5% and we are now waiting to see if the budget can handle that amount.

BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT by PDG Steve Staudinger, Chairperson: (Oral Report)

For dues we've received approximately \$234,000, which is the bulk of expected income from dues, and we do not expect to see much more of this for this fiscal year. In other income we were projecting \$25,000, but only around \$5000 is in currently. We do have a grant from the MD19 Lions Foundation for \$10,600 for the officer school, which is taking place at this convention and \$3500 projected for the Annual Convention. Also, we have property tax reimbursement income. So, the expectation is for the income to reach about \$256,000.

Keep in mind that we still have some months before the end of the year and we will have reimbursements for this convention. But over all I think we are going to be about event at the end of this year.

For the projected budget year of 2026-2027, we have a balanced budget based on the information we had. We used 2.8% COLA as compensation for the employees and we've now heard a recommendation for a 3.5% increase for Peter, which means a 7% increase, which amounts to about \$3900. So, if we go ahead and approve that right now, we'd have a deficit of that amount.

Now, keep in mind that every six months we adjust this so it's not a big deal if we have a small deficit, coming into July, but Council of Governor's this is something you will need to consider as this is no longer a balanced budget, based on the fact we may be raising the salary more than expected.

2026-2027 Budget

MD19 Dues Income @ \$27.60					
	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
MD19 Operations Account – 89%	\$202,839	\$ -	\$(202,839)	\$209,839	
District Budgeted – 6%	\$13,675	\$ -	\$(13,675)	\$12,563	
MD19 Convention Reserve – 3%	\$6,837	\$ -	\$(6,837)	\$6,779	

	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
MD19 Reserve Account – 1%	\$2,279	\$ -	\$(2,279)	\$2,357	
MD19 Building Reserve Account – 1%	\$2,279	\$ -	\$(2,279)	\$2,357	
Total Dues Income (gross)	\$227,909	\$ -	\$(227,909)	233,888	
	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
MD19 Other Income	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
Annual Convention	\$3,500	\$ -	\$(3,500)	\$ -	
Border Crossing Editor Grant (FDN)	\$3,600	\$ -	\$(3,600)	\$2,500	
Grant District & Zone Officer School (LCI)	\$850		\$(850)	\$ -	
Grant Dist. & Zone Officer Sch (MD19 FDN)	\$10,600	\$ -	\$(10,600)	\$ -	
Building & Grounds Improvements	\$300	\$ -	\$(300)	\$100	
Building – Memorial Garden	\$800	\$ -	\$(800)	\$747	
Office Expense Recovered	\$100	\$ -	\$(100)	\$ -	
Sales Other	\$100	\$ -	\$(100)	\$70	
Uniforms – Sales Income	\$500	\$ -	\$(500)	\$153	
Roster-adv and sales	\$600	\$ -	\$(600)	\$585	
Bulletin Subscriptions	\$50	\$ -	\$(50)	\$47	
Miscellaneous Income	\$150	\$ -	\$(150)	\$98	
Fundraising – MD19 General Fund	\$175	\$ -	\$(175)	\$159	
Interest Income	\$1800	\$ -	\$(1800)	\$1,507	
Property Tax Reimbursed	\$4,620	\$ -	\$(4,620)	\$ -	
Total MD19 Other Income	\$27,745		\$(27,745)	\$5,966	
Total MD19 Income	\$255,654		\$(255,654)	\$239,854	
Expenses	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
District Ops Account	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
District L	\$2,847	\$ -	\$(2,847)	\$3,146	Projected 10% loss
District I	\$1,774	\$ -	\$(1,774)	\$2,018	In membership but
District O	\$2,365	\$ -	\$(2,365)	\$2,060	Includes \$1 dues increase
District N	\$2,698	\$ -	\$(2,698)	\$2,867	
District S	\$2,066	\$ -	\$(2,066)	\$2,473	
Total District Operations Accounts	\$11,749	\$ -	\$(11,749)	\$12,563	
Int'l Convention / Forum / Director	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
CC Elect (Seated VCC)	\$400	\$ -	\$400	\$ -	
Convention Chairperson	\$600	\$ -	\$600	\$ -	
Int'l Convention Expense (Hosp. Room)	\$250	\$ -	\$250	\$ -	
VCC to USA / Canada Forum	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	MD19 Foundation
1 st VDG to USA/Canada Forum	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Offering direct
Total Int'l Convention / Forum / Dir.	\$1,250	\$ -	\$1,250	\$ -	reimbursement
Capital Outlay	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
Office Equipment	\$200	\$ -	\$200	\$ -	
Copier Lease Canon	\$3,800	\$ -	\$3,800	\$2,262	
Total Capital Outlay	\$4,000	\$ -	\$4,000	\$2,262	
MD19 Convention Expenses	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
Annual Convention Reserve – MD19 (3%)	\$6,837	\$ -	\$6,837	\$6,779	
MD19 Annual Convention	\$5,300	\$ -	\$5,300	\$ -	
Total MD19 Convention Expenses	\$12,137	\$ -	\$12,137	\$6,779	
MD19 General Operations	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
Potential Bad Debt (MD19 Dues)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Credit Card Fees	\$150	\$ -	\$150	\$72	
Accounting Compilation / Services	\$5,200	\$ -	\$5,200	\$5,200	

	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
Bank Charges	\$500	\$ -	\$500	\$403	Includes E-Trans @ \$1.50
Memorial Garden Expenses (Plants, Soil, Etc.)	\$750	\$ -	\$750	\$760	Postage to CDN \$1.70
Building & Grounds (Cleaning & Repair)	\$3,000	\$ -	\$3,000	\$2,147	
Business License / Non-Profit Corp.	\$75	\$ -	\$75	\$ -	
Maintenance – Auto & Equipment	\$1000	\$ -	\$1000	\$797	
Post Office Box Lease (Canada)	\$200	\$ -	\$200	\$223	
Postage	\$2,800	\$ -	\$2,800	\$1,794	
Printing and Office Supplies	\$3,000	\$ -	\$3,000	\$2,297	
Printing Roster	\$2,750	\$ -	\$2,750	\$2,646	
Purchases – Other Sales	\$500	\$ -	\$500	\$ -	
	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
OTHER EXPENSES	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
Purchases – Wearables	\$2,000	\$ -	\$2,000	\$1,505	
Computer Programs	\$800	\$ -	\$800	\$490	
Utilities	\$9,000	\$ -	\$9,000	\$6,135	
Total MD19 Operations - General	\$31,725	\$ -	\$31,725	\$24,468	
	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
Insurance – Auto / Building	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
Auto Insurance	\$2,750	\$ -	\$2,750	\$2,906	
Commercial Package Insurance	\$4,100	\$ -	\$4,100	\$3,939	
Total Insurance – Auto / Building	\$6,850	\$ -	\$6,850	\$6,845	
	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
Taxes (Non-Personal)	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
Personal Property Tax	\$50	\$ -	\$50	\$25	
Building Property Tax	\$10,800	\$ -	\$10,800	\$9,996	
Total Taxes (Non-Personal)	\$10,850	\$ -	\$10,850	\$10,021	
	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
Personnel – Calendar Year	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
Compensation – MD19 Office	\$132,500	\$ -	\$132,500	\$98,799	New hire train. MD19 FDN Grant - \$26400
Total Personnel	\$132,500	\$ -	\$132,500	\$98,799	Includes 2.8% COLA 2026 all staff & 3.2% hourly for admin. assist.
	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
Support: Club, Zone and District	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
Awards and Trophies	\$500	\$ -	\$500	\$247	
MD19 Bulletin	\$300	\$ -	\$300	\$330	
Council Chairperson Expense	\$3,400	\$ -	\$3,400	\$1,693	
1 st & 2 nd Vice District Governors	\$1,000	\$ -	\$1,000	\$ -	Cabinet expenses
Council Meeting – Fall	\$2,500	\$ -	\$2,500	\$2,183	
Council Meeting – Winter	\$100	\$ -	\$100	\$57	
Council Meeting – Spring	\$3,200	\$ -	\$3,200	\$ -	
District & Zone Officer Training	\$5,000	\$ -	\$5,000	\$617	
Executive Director Expense	\$4,900	\$ -	\$4,900	\$ -	
MD19 District Team Expenses	\$250	\$ -	\$250	\$ -	
LEO Liaison for MD19 Convention	\$150	\$ -	\$150	\$ -	
Total Club, Zone and District Support	\$21,300	\$ -	\$21,300	\$5,126	
	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
Telephone	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
Telephone	\$2,300	\$ -	\$2,300	\$1,744	
Website	\$100	\$ -	\$100	\$ -	
Total Telephone and Website	\$2,400	\$ -	\$2,400	\$1,744	

	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
Zone Chairpersons	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
Zone Chairperson – Expense	\$9,500	\$ -	\$9,500	\$8,020	
Zone Chairperson – MD19 Ann. Conv.	\$2,750	\$ -	\$2,750	\$ -	
Total Zone Chairperson	\$12,250	\$ -	\$12,250	\$8,020	
	Projected	Actual	Variance	Actual	NOTES
Reserve	2026-2027	7/1/2026		3/31/2026	3/31/2026
ID Candidate Reserve Fund	\$500	\$ -	\$500	\$ -	
Payable to MD19 Reserve (1%)	\$2,279	\$ -	\$2,279	\$2,357	
Payable to MD19 Building Reserve (1%)	\$2,279	\$ -	\$2,279	\$2,349	
Total Reserve	\$5,058	\$ -	\$5,058	\$4,706	
Contingency	\$3,584	\$ -	\$3,584	\$ -	
Total MD19 Expense	\$255,654	\$ -	\$255,654	\$181,334	
RECAP					
Total MD19 Expense Budget	\$255,654		\$255,654	\$181,334	
Total MD19 Income Budget	\$255,654		\$255,654	\$239,854	
Net Income / (Loss)	(0)		(0)	\$58,520	

The approval for the 2026-2027 MD19 Budget will be done later in this meeting under New Business by the 2026-2027 Council of Governors.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS REPORT by ID Mark Mansell, Chairperson: (Oral Report)

Thank you to everyone for supporting Debbie and I as we represent the Multiple District. I currently service on the Constitution and By-Laws committee. One of the things I want to share with you is that we've been tasked through the growth and impact committee to develop a youth protection guideline. In our region, MD4, California has led the way with some very important criteria for protecting the youth we serve, the youth we serve with, us as Lions, and at the same time our association. We anticipate having those guidelines ready for approval by the board just before the convention in Hong Kong. We will be working next year to make it operational. I would recommend our MD and the Council to look at those guidelines when they come out and have the C&BL committee working on how to put this into the MD19 C&BL, various committees and districts.

One of the things that we have is being an international multiple. Sometimes we focus on the adventures we have, overcoming the challenges of the border. But I do want to thank and congratulate the governors for the efforts they've made to navigate the challenges we face in the relationship between our two great countries. The Lions of Canada have worked very hard over the years to work together. Our PID Allan Hunt has led for many years the Canadian conversation on how to better work together across Canada for advocacy, and on projects. Such that it has become a huge think tank. In the US we are starting to do a similar thing. Working together across multiples to share ideas, projects, etc. There is a website: lionsusa.org be sure to check it out. Here is their mission statement:

LionsUSA is committed to creating a vibrant, inclusive, and impactful community of Lions across Constitutional Area 1. Our work is made possible through the ongoing collaboration with Lions International, whose resources and expertise play a pivotal role in supporting our mission. Through strategic initiatives and dedicated efforts, we aim to empower members, inspire leaders, and make a meaningful difference in the communities we serve. With the support of our members, donors, and partners, we look forward to building a brighter future for all.

They have ways to connect and learn on the site. They have virtual meetings on a variety of subjects and Wisdom Wednesday. One can sign up for the links for those.

For our upcoming International convention, there are two resolutions that will be voted on by the delegates. The first is dues increase on \$2.00 per year for five years, beginning in 2028. The International dues will then be \$60 per year.

The second is the result of membership shifts around the world; the representation of the board is going to change. Our constitutional area currently has 11 and that will change to nine. We will still have the most representation. The other two seats would go to other parts of the world where membership is growing.

LCI CON 2026 REPORT by ZC Shelley Staudinger, Chairperson



International Convention Committee Report

Submitted by Shelley Staudinger, Chair

The 108th International Convention is Friday, July 3 – 7, 2026 at the AsiaWorld-Expo, Hong Kong, PRC. Details: <https://lionscon.lionsclubs.org/>.

The convention opens on Saturday morning July 3 and wraps up on Tuesday, July 7 with an exciting new opportunity: the Tai Chi World Record Event, which replaces the much-loved Parade of Nations.

It's Still Possible to Register for Convention:

- ✓ Regular Registration open until June 30 = \$265

Reserve Lodging There is No Assigned Hotel

You may register for any convention hotel that suits your fancy. We will not have an "assigned" hotel in order to allow everyone to determine what best meets their needs.

Get Your Name on the MD 19 Roster:

Due to privacy obligations to members, Lions International does not provide the MD with a list of convention registrants. Please let me know you're signed up so I can add you to convention communications such as What's App and Facebook groups launching soon.

Email shelley-staudinger@comcast.net or phone / text 360.521.0706

Seeking Convention Registrants to Serve as Cultural Guides:

Are you attending the International Convention and eager to share your Chinese / Hong Kong cultural roots with your fellow MD19 Lions? I want to hear from you! When you get in touch to add your name to the MD19 roster please let me know if you would be willing to support our group by helping arrange our fellowship gathering at the convention.



Additional items:

1. I have a roster here, for those who are going to be joining us at the International Convention in Hong Kong.
2. Please put down your contact information so we can get information to you.
3. We have a new official shirt for the convention, which is purple. They are available in the MD19 Officer here at the convention."

District Governors Steve Sweeney, 19-I and Teresa Ng, 19-L spoke on something they learned as governor that they didn't know at this time last year. Council Chairperson Steve Brooks also spoke on what he's learned this year as the CC.

GLOBAL ACTION TEAM

LEADERSHIP REPORT by PDG Debbie Bostock, Chairperson:

"The sessions for incoming DGs, VDGs, ZCs and GATs is being held on the 22nd.

We have Diane Crook from LCI attending the VDG sessions to see how the LCI plan works by having the Multiple District doing the sessions.

Several Districts are missing Zone Chairpersons either by the paperwork not having been submitted to MD office or not having anyone step into the position, so the attendee numbers are only 17 out of a possible 53 zones having representatives attending the sessions.

We have great facilitators for these sessions.

The panels for the convention are all interesting and cover various offices plus general information. We have card making, flower arranging too, so lots to do and learn.

We are working on in-person officer sessions within each District. The goal is to hold at least one in person session in each District, and in the larger Districts hopefully more. The goal is to have facilitators in each District and area that can put on these sessions.

District N already has their session planned for August 29th at Cascadia Academy."

MEMBERSHIP REPORT by PDG Beth James, Chairperson (Oral Report):

Membership is so many things. It is tied into our extension of starting new clubs; it is tied into retention of existing members, and it is tied into welcoming our members as they become Lions.

As there are so many parts of membership I would like all of us to accept a 30-day challenge! This challenge starts today, week one, with welcoming new members within our own clubs. Making sure that those members new to our organization feel welcome! And that is week one.

Week two: we are going to take some time and connect with members we may not have seen in a while. Make sure they are doing okay and let them know we miss seeing them and is there anything we can do to assist them.

Week three: we are going to make sure our new members have a fantastic orientation and induction with great experiences serving in their communities. And for week four we are going to tie it all up with member satisfaction; making sure all our members in our clubs can contribute to the club and feel that they are heard.

So, that is my 30-day membership challenge to you, and I hope that all of you accept it.

SERVICE REPORT by PZC Jocelyn Wong, Chairperson:

"This fiscal year, MD19 has achieved strong progress in service reporting and community impact. Currently, **63% of** clubs are reporting service activities across the multiple district.

Together, Lions and Leos contributed:

- **260,273 volunteer hours**
- **1,763,818 people served**
- **85,567 service activities**

Service activities continue to be especially strong in the areas of **Vision, Hunger, Youth, and Environment**, demonstrating the commitment of our clubs to address important community needs.

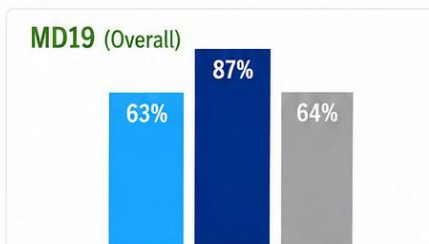
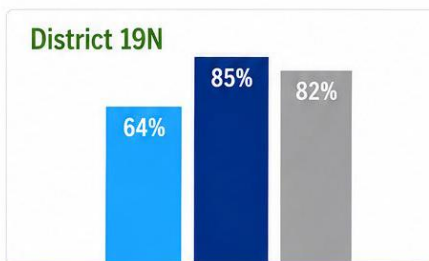
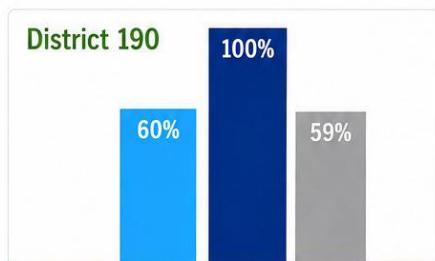
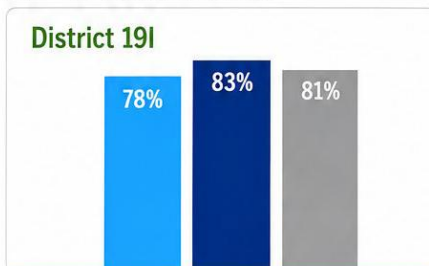
While several districts have shown improvement compared to previous years, there is still opportunity to work toward our overall MD19 reporting goal of **87% participation**. Continued encouragement from district leaders, zone chairs, and club officers remains important as we strive toward full reporting participation.

Special thanks to our district GST coordinators for their leadership, dedication, and continued support throughout the Lion's year.

District	GST Coordinators
19L	Lions Margaret Wall & Wanda Su
19I	Lion Laura Kirkham
19O	Lion Steven Wong
19N	Lion Patrick Burch
19S	Lion Roberta Fencil"

CLUBS REPORTING SERVICE – DISTRICT GOALS VS. PERFORMANCE

● Current Fiscal Year ● Goal ● Previous Fiscal Year



Together, We Serve. Together, We Achieve.

Let's keep the momentum going and work toward 100% club participation!
 Thank you to every Lion and Leos for your time, talent, and heart.



EXTENSION REPORT by PDG Ken Cook, Chairperson (Oral Report):

This year we haven't done well in getting new clubs started, but we have some clubs who have started club branches. However we've had success in 19-S, where we have worked hard in getting a new club, called Airway Heights.

Since I turned in my report there have been five more new Lions added to the club. The charter night has been set for July 19th. Of course, everyone is invited. Watch for more information to come out on the MD19 website.

Council Chairperson Steve Brooks took a moment of personal privilege to acknowledge the GAT Team by presenting them with Certificates of Appreciation.

LEO LIAISON REPORT by Leo Peter Walkup with PZC Rosemary Walkup (Oral Report):

The Leos are going strong in MD19, but many are aging out. There is one new LEO club in Canada, and we expect to start a Leo Lion club in the near future. The 2026 Leo Convention will be held on June 12-14, 2026, at the Camano Island Park. The camp belongs to the Seattle University Ballard Lions Club. And the role of the camp is to grow membership, develop leadership skills, and build teams. Where they can gain skills for public speaking, presentation and life skills

NEW BUSINESS

At this time the Council transitioned to the 2026-2027 Council of Governors'.

MOTION: A motion was made by DG Rock White, 19-O and seconded by PDG Steve Sweeney, 19-I to accept the 2026-2027 MD19 Budget as presented.

Discussion then held on the cost-of-living increase for the Executive Director as recommended to the Council by the Evaluation Committee.

MOTION: The above was motion was amended by IPCC Steve Brooks and seconded by DG Craig Boothe, 19-I to accept the 2026-2027 MD19 Budget with the increase to the cost-of-living expenses from 2.8% to 10% for Executive Director Peter Anderson. Original motion as amended was approved.

2026-2027 MD19 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

BUDGET & FINANCE PDG Brien Patton – Chairperson, 19-N

I.	O. Gloria Hardan	L. PZC Burnie Smith
S. PCC Jon Whitman		N. PDG Brien Patton

BORDER CROSSING EDITOR Sofia Kruger, 19-O

BUILDING Dan Cantrell, 19-O

CARE

CONTESTS & AWARDS PCC Patty Allen-White, 19-O

2. Year:	3. Year:
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2027 ANNUAL CONVENTION

DIABETES AWARENESS PDG Georgia Medwedrich, 19-L

ELECTIONS & CERT.

ENVIRONMENT Nancy Messmer

EVALUATION COMMITTEE PDG Kathy Crawford (19-N)

2 nd year: PDG Ken Cook (19-S)	3 rd year: PDG Georgia Medwedrich (19-L)
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GLOBAL ACTION TEAM (District Support Team) CC Wanda Eddy, Facilitator

LEADERSHIP (GLTC) PDG Debbie Bostock, 19-I

EXTENSION (GETC) PCC John Moralek, 19-O

MEMBERSHIP (GMTC) PCC Hal Palmer, 19-N

GMA (Global Member. Approach)

SERVICE (GSTC) PZC Jocelyn Wan, 19-L

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE PID Allan Hunt, 19-O

I. VCC Michael Livingstone

O.

L. PDG Syrus Lee

S. PDG Paul Kauzlarich

N. PCC Al Hedstrom

WEBMASTER-MD19 PCC JD "John" Nellor, 19-N

INT'L RELATIONS & PARTICIPATION ID Mark Mansell

2027 INT'L CONVENTION:

2026 USA/CANADA FORUM:

INT'L YOUTH EXCHANGE

KNIGHTS OF THE BLIND PZC Bill Scholl, 19-N

L.C.I.F. - B.C. PDG Al Stobbart, 19-O

L.C.I.F. – US PID Don Shove, 19-O

LEADER DOGS PDG Carol Whitman, 19-S

LEO CLUBS PZC Linda Deroche, 19-O

LEO LIASON MEMBERS:

LIONS QUEST – BC PDG Norma Bent, 19-I

MARKETING

MEMORIAL GARDEN Wes Reynolds, 19-O

PARLIAMENTARIAN PCC JD "John" Nellor, 19-N

STRATEGIC PLANNING PCC John Kirry, 19-N

I. PDG Chuck Robinson

O. PDG Joel Haggen

L. PDG Leslie Smith

S. PDG Laura Wintersteen-Arleth

N. PCC JD Nellor

CANADIAN LIONS EYEGLOSS RECYCLING CENTER PZC Barry Shiles, 19-O

LIONS FDN. OF CANADA DOG GUIDES Dave A. Pasin

MOTION: A motion was made by PDG Steve Sweeney, 19-I and seconded by DG Craig Boothe, 19-I to accept the 2026-2027 MD19 Committee Chairpersons as presented. Motion approved.

DIRECTORS & OFFICER LIABILITY COVERAGE / CRIME COVERAGE by ED Peter Anderson (for information only – Oral Report)

One of the things we've been hearing about is clubs being sued due to decisions that others may not be happy with. The directors and officer liability insurance is offered by LCI, and this is something I didn't know about until recently. Offered in both US and Canada, for both districts and clubs. Information can be found on the LCI site (LINK BELOW) and I would recommend that clubs look seriously into obtaining coverage.

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/directors-officers-liability-insurance>

Meeting Adjourned at 11:32 AM

2026 ANNUAL CONVENTION PROGRAM

Friday, May 23rd

Council of Governors' Meeting
 Kick-Off Lunch

8:30 AM
 11:45 AM

Gala 1, 2 and 4
 Exhibit Hall

Sessions:

2:30-3:45 PM

Secretaries: Power behind the Magic

Gala 1 and 2

A dynamic session for Club Secretaries focused on strengthening communication, streamlining club operations and creating organized, efficient and transparent processes. Learn how effective communication and strong administration helps clubs thrive and support successful service projects. Presenters: Lions Michael Contreas and Brian Scott

Hub and Spoke Nonprofit Services

Gala 3

Learn about Hub-n-Spoke nonprofit resources, partnerships and community support services available to clubs and organizations.
 Presenter: Lion Tonya Christofferson

Making Meetings Fun

Golden Delicious

Creative ideas and practical strategies to make club meetings more engaging, enjoyable and meaningful for members.
 Presenter: DG September Stokes

Dinner (buses leave at 4:30 and 5 PM)

Circle 5 Winery

Sunday, May 24th

Breakfast Buffet (Members and Guests) 6:30 AM
 PDG / Partner Breakfast 6:30 AM

Exhibit Hall
 Gala Room

Memorial Program

8:30 AM

Exhibit Hall

(No entry after doors have closed!!)

L	A1	Vancouver Chinatown	Terry R. Woo
L	A1	Vancouver Midas	Victor Lam
L	A6	Gibsons	Clifford Moss
L	A6	Gibsons	Angie Terrillon
L	I1	Clallam Bay Sekiu	Karin Ashton
L	I1	Port Angeles	Irma Stennes
L	I1	Quilcene	Harold Prather
L	I2	Esquimalt	William Emery
L	I2	Sooke	Raymond J. Vowles
L	I2	Sooke	Steve W. Wright
L	I2	Victoria	Richard Coles
L	I2	Victoria	Wayne Page
L	I2	Victoria	Christina P. Street
L	I2	West Shore	Tom King
L	I3	Central Saanich	Petra G. Hrasky
L	I3	Central Saanich	Larry Rhodes
L	I3	Central Saanich	John Verhagen
L	I3	Salt Spring Island	Mark Ritchie
L	I4	Ladysmith	PDG William Koski
L	I5	Black Creek	Warren Cronk
L	I5	Qualicum Bay	James John George
L	I5	Willow Point	Maureen Hall
L	I5	Willow Point	Richard G. S. Hall
L	I6	Port Mc Neill	Norm Crabe

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I	3	Cranbrook	Roger Brunelle
I	3	Kootenay Lake	Tom Lymbery
I	5	Beaver Valley	Fred Lyle
I	5	Northport	Don Baribault, Jr.
I	6	Moses Lake	Robin H. Hickock
I	7	Wenatchee Central	Lee W. Smith
I	7	Wenatchee Valley	Norma J. Abbie
I	9	Peachland	Keith Baker
I	9	Peachland	Shirley Fedyk
I	9	Peachland	Stanley H. Fedyk
I	10	Armstrong	Jos Berkhout
I	10	Vernon	Conway Clark
I	11	Chase	Harold Lewis
I	11	North Shuswap	Al Christopherson
I	12	Ashcroft & District	Ernie Kristoff
I	12	Kamloops Aberdeen	Donna M. Schrader
I	12	Kamloops Aberdeen	Raymond Allan Schrader
I	13	Prince George Spruce City	Cameron Sutherland
I	13	Prince George Spruce City	Lawrence Peter Walch
O	1	Tsawwassen Boundary Bay	Richard Marks
O	2	Fort Langley	Tony Small
O	2	Langley	Ronald K. Moore
O	2	Maple Ridge	Brian Hetherington
O	2	Pitt Meadows	Dave Campbell
O	3	Surrey Central	Beverley Bly
O	3	Surrey Central	Wayne R. Passey
O	4	Chilliwack	Beverly Bergs
O	4	Chilliwack Mt. Cheam	Kristen Macpherson
O	4	Sasquatch	Felix Leuzinger
O	5	Bellingham Central	Owen Olsen
O	5	Everson	Harry A. Anderson
O	6	Burlington	Bill Sparks
O	6	Concrete	Larry D. Mosbey
O	6	Lake Stevens	Debbie M. Lyon
O	7	Anacortes	Carl E. Sundman
O	7	Coupeville	Virginia L. Munn
O	7	Oak Harbor	Scott Freseman
O	7	Oak Harbor	Conrad D. Lokanis
O	7	San Juan	James D. Cox
O	7	San Juan	Bill Waxman
O	7	Whidbey Island	Rogers Wisniewski
O	8	Everett Central	Harvey Katz
O	8	Everett South	Dixon Marshall
O	8	Mill Creek Woodinville	PDG John R. Clinton
O	8	Snohomish	Dale H. Deierling
O	9	Seattle Rainier	Samuel Olsson
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N	1	Silverdale Sunrise	Kay Gardner
N	2	Hood Canal	Carol J. Hunter
N	2	Hood Canal	Rich Kallal
N	3	Lakewood First	Edward G. Kane
N	4	Auburn Noon	Eric Robertson
N	4	Federal Way	Roger G. Flygare
N	5	Aberdeen	Robert K. Andrews
N	5	Central Park	Joann Patton
N	5	Central Park	PDG Melvin D. Mackey
N	5	Clearwater Kalaloch	Clifford A. Hay
N	5	Cosmopolis	James B. Phipps
N	5	Hoquiam	Gary C. Morgan
N	6	Boistford	Bernard T. Lane
N	7	Lacey Lamplighters	Robert Fraser
N	7	Lacey Lamplighters	Michael O'Byrne
N	7	Lacey Sunrise	Robert N. Fender
N	7	Lacey Sunrise	Robert H. Pinson
N	7	Yelm	Mildred Henson
N	8	Eatonville	Mary J. Brohan
N	8	Eatonville	Thomas R. Folk
N	8	Eatonville	Tom Smallwood
N	8	Orting	James H. Bradley
N	8	Orting	Renee Hart
N	8	Spanaway	David E. Bartlett
N	9	Kalama	Michael W. Shreve
N	9	Kelso	David Walker
N	9	Kelso	Darlene Little
N	9	Longview Kelso Earlybird	Jacob Schloss
N	9	Longview Pioneer	Robert C. Bradley
N	9	Longview Pioneer	Ron Stoppler
N	9	Longview Pioneer	Shirlee M. Whyte
N	10	Fort Vancouver	Marsel Tingey
N	10	Hazel Dell	Patricia Ann Cantrell
N	10	North Clark	Keith Christensen
N	10	Vancouver	Douglas K. Van Ness
S	1	Naches	Ted L. Cowan
S	1	Yakima	Richard B. Elliott
S	1	Yakima	PCC Steven E. Noble
S	3	Dayton	Terry D. Hoon
S	3	Waitsburg	Gerald Baker
S	5	Lewiston	PDG James N. Luper
S	5	Whitepine	Darin E. Anderson
S	5	Whitepine	Russell L. Foster
S	7	Moscow Central	M. William Stellmon
S	7	Pullman	Daniel Maher
S	8	Ritzville	Michael Weber
S	9	Chewelah Valley	Leon J. Green
S	9	Chewelah Valley	James V. Mach
S	9	Rockford	Ivan Willmschen
S	10	Spokane Shadle North	Joleen F. Gillin

S 11 Sandpoint
S 13 Rathdrum

George A. Van Rossum
Larry Quimby

Sessions

9:30 AM

President's Lead with Purpose

A leadership session for Club Presidents and Vice Presidents focused on leading with purpose, inspiring members through meaningful engagement, building strong teams, leading productive meetings and navigating change with confidence and vision. Explore leadership foundations that drive successful clubs through communication, teamwork and adaptability.

Presenter: Lion Brian Scott

Gala 1 and 2

LCIF: Supporting Service through Global Impact

Learn how Lions Clubs International Foundation supports local and global service projects through grants, partnerships and leadership in service.

Presenters: PDG Al Stobbart & PID Don Shove

Gala 3

Unlock the Power of Lion Portal

An interactive beginner session designed to take members from overwhelmed to empowered in the Lion Portal. Learn how to navigate the system with ease, submit reports accurately, manage membership and access key data that supports club leadership and impact.

Presenters: Lions Michael Contreas and Brian Scott

Golden Delicious

Lunch

Noon

Exhibit Hall

Contests and Awards Announcements for the following contests

PCC Patty Allen-White, MD19 Contests and Awards Chairperson

5 Minute Achievement Speech

Winner: PDG Beth James, Renton Lions Club O-11

Winner: Peter Walkup, Skagit Valley Leos, O-6

Club Brochure

Runner Up: Chilliwack Steller's Jay Lions Club, O-4

Winner: Sooke Harbourside Lions Club. L-I2

Club Bulletin

Winner: Fort Vancouver Lion Club, N-10

Club Business Card

Runner-Up: Vancouver Diamond Lions Club, L-A7

Winner: Chilliwack Steller's Jay Lions Club, O-4

Club Inspiration

Runner Up: Logan Lake Lions Club, I-12 and Oak Harbor Lions Club, O-7

Winner: Gig Harbor Lions Club, N-3

Club Scrapbook (Traditional)

Runner-Up: Port Orchard Lions Club, N-1

Winner: Oliver Lions Club, I-8

Club Scrapbook (non-Traditional)

Winner: Vancouver Pacific Lions Club, L-A1

Club Website

Runner Up: Vancouver Pacific Lions Club, L-A1

Winner: Vancouver, WA Lions Club, N-10

Club Attendance

Runner Up: Leavenworth Lions Club, I-7
 Winner: Wenatchee Valley Lions Club, I-7

Uniform Parade

Winner: Camas Lions Club, N-11
 Winner: Skagit Valley Leos, O-6

Zone Chairperson Newsletter

Runner Up: Patti Melton, Castle Rock Lions Club, N-9
 Winner: Georgia Medwedrich, Sooke Harborside Lion Club, L-12

Sessions

2:15 PM

Invite, Ignite, Induct: Ways to bring in New Lions

Gala 1 and 2

Practical membership ideas and strategies to help clubs recruit, welcome and engage new Lions.
 Presenter: 1st VDG Craig Boothe

Using the Lion Portal to Tell Your Club's Story

Golden Delicious

An advanced Lion Portal session focused on using reporting and data to showcase service achievements, align with global service priorities and strengthen accountability. Learn how reporting your service helps multiply your club's impact.
 Presenters: Lions Michael Contreas and Brian Scott

Sessions Continued

3:35 PM

Grow with Us Marketing Initiative

Gala 1 and 2

Ready to grow your club? Learn how to use the MD19 "Grow With Us" Marketing Initiative to turn social media into a powerful recruitment and community engagement tool. Walk away with practical ideas, plug and play content and a clear plan to increase visibility and membership.
 Presenter: Lions Stephanie O'Dell

Card Making Class

Gala 3

Whether you are new to card making or a seasoned pro, this fun hands-on class gives participants the chance to create heartfelt cards for friends and family while exploring creative techniques and adding a personal touch.
 Presenter: PDG Beth James

Social Hour

5:30 PM

Exhibit Hall

Dinner & Program

6:00 PM

Exhibit Hall

Lions Banquet

Drumline leads the March:
 Invocation:
 God Bless America:

CC Steve Brooks
 DG 19-N Donna Murr
 PDG 19-I Shelley Costello

O' Canada:
 Toast – Lions Family & Leadership worldwide:

PDG 19-I Shelley Costello
 DG 19-I Steve Sweeney

Introduction:
 Dinner
 Vote Results:

CC Steve Brooks
 PDG Stephen Staudinger

Council Chairperson for 2026-2027
 Vice Council Chairperson for 2026-2027

VCC Wanda Eddy
 PDG Michael Livingstone

Installation of CC-CCE:	CC Steve Brooks
Keynote Speaker:	Mark Lyon, International 1 st Vice President
Recognitions:	CC Steve Brooks, Int'l 1 st VP Mark Lyon ID Mark Mansell, Exec. Dir. Peter Anderson
Contests & Awards:	PCC Patty Allen-White

MD19 Distinguished Service Award: PDG Stephen Staudinger, Battle Ground Lions Club, N-10

Peace Poster: Sarah Muno, Poulsbo Middle School. Sponsoring club – Poulsbo Lions Club, N-1

LEO of the Year: Zane Khosla, Nelson Alpha Leo Club, I-4

Closing Remarks:	CC Steve Brooks
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