



Multiple District 22

The International Association of Lions Clubs

Council of Governors

2007-2008



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Council of Governor's Meeting
January 27, 2008
1700 Van Bidder Road
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The meeting was called to order by Council Chair John Lawrence as 9:00 a.m. The pledge was led by DG Dick Bloomquist and the first verse of America led jointly by DG Bob Jones. DG Ted Ladd had the invocation.

CC John thanked everyone for coming and thanked DG Dick Bloomquist for the nice social the previous evening.

CC John asked that reports be as brief as possible because so much was to be accomplished this morning. The main business will be the Mid Winter rally presentation by the Multiple District Convention Committee.

CC John introduced ID Steven Sherer. ID Steven talked to us about International Board of Directors. The Board is looking at our image as Lions. The web site is being updated to be more user friendly to the non lions. Our logo is going to be modified so that everything that is put out from International, all items will have the same logo. A letter was sent to all club secretaries about the reporting or on line reporting for membership reports. This has caused questions, but it will not really change anything if the secretary does not want to change. The idea was to change the reporting that comes back to the District Governors which has always been 45 days behind what you have. This has been caused by lag time with the reporting to International. International wanted to stream line this to lessen the lag time. This will not affect the new member as to when they join. The other thing that will come into effect is the 100% District Governor's Award. This has become extremely hard to achieve. The same with the Region Chair, Zone Chair and President awards. All of these awards have been revamped, they are not 100% now, they are excellence awards. Thanked everyone and especially DG Dick and First Lady Tess for a wonderful weekend.

Secretary's report, Council Secretary DG Barbara McKenney: The minutes for the council meeting on December 2, 2007 at the Sheridan Hotel in Dover, Delaware were sent electronically to everyone. Motion to accept the secretary's report by DG Bill Stark and second by DG Bob Jones, motion passed.

Treasurer's report, Council Treasurer DG Bob Jones: Copies are on the table for everyone. Motion to accept the treasurer's report by DG Ted Ladd, second by DG Barbara McKenney, motion passed.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee: PDG Red Reiver, The MD22 Finance Committee meeting was called to order at 11:08 A.M. by Council Chairman John Lawrence, PDG. In attendance were; Bill Malamphy and Ed Mellow from 22A, PID Darley Travers and Joe Wood from 22B, Richard West from 22C, Ted Reiver and David Jones from 22D, Buck Fisher and John Hopkins from 22W, Past District Governors all. Since nine attended and seven were required, a quorum was declared.

Evidence of much preparation was obvious as each attendee was presented with a personalized loose-leaf binder containing all pertinent information amassed from Constitution, Bylaws, Policy and Procedure Manual, past and present budgets, and other information.

After introductions and greetings were exchanged the first piece of business was to choose a secretary to take notes. Ted was chosen.

Discussion followed.

Lunch was ordered as 12:40 P.M.

Discussion followed.\

Lunch arrived at 1:10 P.M. It was good.

Discussion followed at 1:30 P.M. It was moved and seconded: "With the exception of the international officer candidate's fund, at Lions year end all other unused monies will be added to the general administrative fund. Subsequent councils will have authority to use up to 20% (twenty per cent) of this balance at their discretion." Discussion followed. Voice vote in favor, motion passed.

Second Item Moved and seconded "for International Convention Committee to live within their balanced budget. Motion passed.

Third item moved and seconded for CC John to seed reimbursement from Council for lunch and preparation items. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 2:46 P.M.

International Convention Committee: PDG Keith Williams: During the last couple of months the Convention Committee has been working on revising the budget and supplying the Council Chair with information for the Finance Committee. I would like to resent our revised budget at this time and get your approval. Our revised budget is available.

In reference to our budget we have requested Lions Clubs International to find MD 22 a hotel at a lower cost. The hotel they are recommending is the Montien Bangkok and their room rate is \$114.00 plus tax. The new rate is reflected in our revised budget.

The budget reflects the cost of trading pins as \$1.12 each. This is last year's price and we are waiting for the pin company to get back to us with their new cost figures. I have been informed by the Council Chair that the Governors have agreed to purchase pins based on 20% of their membership.

The latest report from LCI shows 14 people have signed up for the 2008 Convention.

Travel Concepts located here in the Edgewood area has been approved as the Eastern Region Travel agency representing Pacific Travel.

We will be sending a letter to the Lions who have attended an International Convention in the past, in an attempt to get more Lions and guests to attend.

CC John asked for a motion to approve the past budget. Motion to approve budget by DG Bob Jones, seconded by DG. Dick Bloomquist. Motion passed.

CC John asked for a motion to approve the MD 22 pin design. Motion to approve pin design by DG Bob Jones, second by DG Bill Stark. Motion passed.

Lions Vision Research Foundation: PDG Ted Reiver, Things are progressing well at our Lions Vision Research Foundation. We are designing new studies in the field of low vision, obtaining funding for those studies, publishing and posting results of previous studies, and lecturing far and wide about what we have learned. Because of our successes many eye specialists are using our center as their model to develop their own low vision centers. At our January 19th meeting a Dr. Zhou from the Fudan University EENT Hospital in Shanghai, China, spoke to our board of directors of his plans to emulate our center. The Lions of China will be assisting with this endeavor.

This is turning out to be a great year for our LVRF. In addition to all our other projects, we are in the process of updating our Constitution, Bylaws, and Policy and Procedures Manual. In addition, we are assessing multiple options for future projects. This is your Foundation's twentieth year and I believe we are on the threshold of a new era of progress in the field of low vision. Further information will quickly materialize, so keep an eye out, so to speak.

Campaign Sigh First II: ID Joe Gaffigan. Report given by CC John Lawrence. I am so proud of MD 22, we are the first to reach and surpass our goal for the US and Canada. We also have a goal to reach 100% Club participation. We are now at 85% with 35 clubs remaining on the sidelines to this date. Summary: 22A the goal is 139,000, raised 108,000, 8 clubs have not obligated as yet. 22B the goal is 180,000, raised 141, 000, with 4 clubs they have not heard from. 22C the goal is 228,000, raised 411,000, with 2 clubs that have not participated. 22D the goal is 177,000, raised 116,000 with 8 clubs to be heard from. 22W the goal is 229,000, raised 190,000 with 13 clubs to be heard from.

With enthusiastic support from all of us, there is no doubt that we can surpass our goal by 15% and achieve 100% club participation. Why do we do this? Because we can, and we want to.

Research and Long Range Planning: PDG Joe Wood, I have attached changes suggested for the Rotation Schedule. The changes are in red and these changes were necessary to have the proper chairs, per the notes at the bottom of the page, for the 1st and 2nd Business meetings.

Also attached your will find a copy of the proposed guidelines for an International Candidate to be included in the Policy and Procedures Manual. I have requested input from the past Candidates on these Guidelines.

I have also attached a copy of the proposed responsibilities of the USA/Canada Forum Coordinator and Vice Coordinator. I would welcome any input from Past Coordinators.

If there is anything else the Council would like me to work on please let me know.
Motion to accept the changes to the policy and procedure manual made by DG Bill Stark and second by DG Dick Bloomquist, motion passed.

MERL TEAM: PDG Tom Baine, The MERL Team met on January 5th in conjunction with the 22-C MERL training meeting at Beltsville, Md. At that meeting we evaluated the presentation and the participation of the completed program. Fifty three lions attended that meeting representing 23 different Lions Clubs in 22-C. The presentations of PDG Gary Burdette, PDG Dal Mann, Lions Scott Shipe and Lion Debbie Brown Delone were adjudged as outstanding, informative and motivational. Time will tell as to the long range effectiveness of the program.

The committee discussed what steps would be necessary to persuade other sub districts to adopt a similar MERL workshop to better enable the governors to achieve their stated 20K goals. It was decided that the Chair would take the initial step of communicating the success of 22-C's program, with hopes that others would adopt a similar program. A follow up program was also discussed for possible implementation. (Note: Shortly after said communication, District Governor Dick Bloomquist (22-A) announced his intention to pursue a similar program to be scheduled on 23 February.) It was agreed that we would meet again after the Mid Winter conference to re access the situation.

Membership: PDG Dal Mann, The latest membership numbers from LCI is for November. LCI plans to modify their Membership Reporting System to allow more timely access to cumulative numbers.

As of November we were down 115 members in the Multiple District.
22-D was at a +4 and 22-B was at a +3, everyone else was showing a negative.
Overall we added 283 members and dropped 398.

Some drops are inevitable but some could be avoided. We all need to work on this problem
' Worldwide membership is up 3,190 but the U.S. and Affiliates, Bermuda and the Bahamas are down 2,676 members.

Beginning in April 2008, there will be change in the due dates for clubs to submit their monthly membership reports to LCI.

Under the new membership reporting process, which will become effective in April 2008, reports will be released as of the most recent calendar month end. For example, the May report will have transactions that were created from May 1st – May 31st. The report will be generated 5 days after the last day of the month.

Q. Will the due dates change for monthly membership report?
A. Yes, for clubs that report online through the WMMR system, transactions must be entered by the last day of the current month. Clubs that file paper MMR reports must submit them to LCI by the 20th of the current month.

Extension: PDG Gary Burdett, I wish I had a better report but I don't. We have not established any new clubs within MD 22. This does not mean that our Lions are not out there working hard to bring in new clubs. We have a number of initiatives under way, especially in the area of club branches. We have a new club branch in the Fulton club branch that was established by the Ellicott City Lions Club in 22-A. A significant event that has occurred since our last meeting is our Membership, Retention and Extension workshop, was very successful. I would like to urge all other District Governors to have this workshop as well. Last year is the first time in years that our Multiple finished on a plus side; this was due mainly to our extension efforts. We need to put more enfaces on extension.

Retention: Scott Shipe, I am pleased to provide the following report regarding retention for Lions Club International Multiple District 22 for the 2007-2008 year. The report includes data for the first five months including July-November 2007 lion's year from Lions Club International Membership Register.

We are trending on a curve with a 6.4% reduction in drops YTD. This figure was determined by analyzing the drops in this same five month period in 2006-2007. Of the 398 drop members YTD; 172 drops (43%) are from 23 clubs. These clubs have dropped four or more members; District 22-B, D and W drop members trends for the same five month period are dramatically dower with District 22-D showing a 48% reduction, District 22-W – 29% reduction and District 22-B with 23% reduction in drop members. The Retention Chairs in these districts are going to the clubs and results are showing! Congratulations!

I am pleased to report that the Four County Lions Club of Mount Airy inducted 14 new lions this past Saturday night at their first charter night. The club membership is currently at 116 members and they are planning on inducting 34 more lions before the end of the year. Please congratulate this club for this outstanding achievement!

LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL

Year Two of Three

MERL Retention Report

Multiple District 22 – July 1, 2007 – November 30, 2007

<i>District</i>	<i>Clubs</i>	<i>Beginning</i>	<i>New</i>	<i>Reinst</i>	<i>Transfer</i>	<i>Dropped</i>	<i>Net Gain</i>	<i>End</i>	<i>Ranking</i>
A	35	1213	38	1	1	-60	-20	1,193	3rd
B	48	1487	55	6	3	-61	3	1,490	1st
C / MD	50	1725	50	11	4	-146	-81	1,644	6th
C / DC	7	169	4	3	0	-17	-10	159	5th
D	37	1408	35	8	5	-59	-11	1,397	4th
W	59	2009	54	1	4	-55	4	2,013	2nd
Total	236	8,011	236	14	11	-398	-115	7,896	
<p><i>Ranking methodology is based on percent of Net New Member Gain YTD Only</i> <i>For Example District 22-B had a net gain of 3 members; they are in first place over</i> <i>District 22-W due to size of total membership of District</i></p>									

Year to Date or the first three months of the 2007-2008 year 398 members have dropped out of MD 22 membership.

Drop Member Totals For Multiple District 22 For 2004-2007

	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	Ranking
<i>District A</i>	148	116	120	-60	4 th
<i>District B</i>	201	201	165	-61	3 rd
<i>District C</i>	296	201	265	-163	5 th
<i>District D</i>	207	246	192	-59	1 st
<i>District W</i>	210	210	176	-55	2 nd
<i>Totals</i>	-1,062	-974	-908	-398	

Ranking methodology is based on total drops or Comparison Model for 2006-2007

It must be noted that 172 (43%) of the 398 YTD drop members were from 23 clubs. These clubs have four or more drop members.

Please see attached listing of top drop clubs in LCI Multiple 22.

Multiple District 22 - Trend Plotting Comparison

Drop Members YTD - 2006-2007 / 2007-2008

	Nov 2006	Nov 2007	Net Loss / Gain	Percent
<i>District A</i>	-47	-60	-13	-27%
<i>District B</i>	-79	-61	+18	+23%
<i>District C</i>	-91	-146	-55	-43.48%
<i>District C / Washington</i>	-5	-17	-12	-71.59%
<i>District D</i>	-113	-59	+54	+47.79%
<i>District W</i>	-90	-55	+45	+38.89%
<i>Totals</i>	-425	-398	+27	+6.4%

2007-2008 LCI Multiple District 22 Top Drop Clubs

July - November 2007

Club	Drops	District	Summary
<i>Gaithersburg Forest Oak</i>	20	C	<i>Club Re-organization?</i>
<i>Baltimore Korean</i>	18	A	<i>Club Re-organization?</i>
<i>Easton</i>	13	B	<i>Large Club Unknown Status?</i>
<i>Silver Spring Leisure</i>	13	C	<i>Large Club / 4 New Members</i>
<i>Hyattsville</i>	12	C	<i>No Members/ Charter Status??</i>
<i>King Farm</i>	11	C	<i>Club Status?</i>
<i>Ridge</i>	9	C	<i>Reinstated 7 Members Offset</i>
<i>Laurel</i>	8	D	<i>Club Mtg With Chair Set</i>
<i>Potomac</i>	7	C	<i>Club Status?</i>
<i>Burtonsville</i>	6	C	<i>4 New Members Offset</i>
<i>Millsboro</i>	5	D	<i>1 New Member Offset</i>
<i>Leonardtown</i>	5	C	<i>4 New Members Offset</i>
<i>Freedom District</i>	5	W	<i>Large Club/ 1 New Member OS</i>
<i>Aberdeen Lioness</i>	4	A	<i>Large Club / 4 New Member OS</i>
<i>Northeast</i>	4	B	<i>1 New Member Offset</i>
<i>Preston</i>	4	B	<i>3 New Members Offset</i>
<i>Willard</i>	4	B	<i>1 New Member Offset</i>
<i>Calvert County</i>	4	C	<i>1 New Member Offset</i>
<i>Silver Spring</i>	4	C	<i>Large Club</i>
<i>Tacoma Park</i>	4	C	<i>1 New Members Offset</i>
<i>Delmar</i>	4	D	<i>Large Club</i>
<i>Lewes</i>	4	D	<i>Large Club / 3 New Member OS</i>
<i>Deep Creek Lake</i>	4	W	<i>Club Status?</i>

<i>Totals for 23 Clubs</i>	<i>172 Members</i>	<i>11 C Clubs 4 B Clubs 4 D Clubs 2 A Clubs 2 W Clubs</i>	<i>Note: Counteraction offset totals 36 new or reinstated members in this grouping of clubs</i>
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LCI MD 22 Retention Report 2007-2008

January 2008

Women’s Membership Development: Lion Joy Spicer, Plans for a Women’s Symposium are moving along nicely. The date is set for Sunday, April 6th, 2008, and it will be held at 2pm at the Laurel Lions Clubhouse in Laurel, DE. I am finalizing the agenda and lining up my speakers. Invitations will be sent out in early February. The event will be advertised in all district newsletters and on their websites. I plan to have the Women’s Membership Development Chairs from each district in the multiple send invitations to each of their clubs. I’m hoping for a large attendance and plan to report a successful event at the Multiple District meeting on Sunday, April 20th

Leadership: PDG Tom Baine, The Leadership division of the MD 22 MERL Team has been making preliminary plans for the seminars at the convention in Dover, Thus far eight different committees/or organizations have requested time for seminars. A new format has been circulated to insure fairness and equal time. Thus far, eight different committees/or organizations have requested time for seminars. A new format has been circulated to insure fairness and equal time for all presenters and to enable access to all seminars for Lions who would like to attend. All presenters should get their date requests and their requests for support equipment to me as soon as possible. If possible, presenters should try to get their own equipment in order to contain costs for the Convention Committee.

The DG/VDG Candidate School will be held at the Clarion Hotel on March 28-29, 2008 in conjunction with the 22-B Social. In February, I will be contacting MD Committee Chairs and others to enlist their participation I this training session. Current District Governors are encouraged to participate in the sessions as well to share their knowledge and experience.

The Leadership division has also been working on the preparations for the MD 22 Regional Lions Leadership Institute that will be held at the National Emergency Training Center at Emmitsburg, MD. February 15, 17, 2008. A basic and an advanced institute will be offered with helpful funding coming from grants from LCI Logistical planning for housing and catering, planning the curricula and the staff, and preparation of instructional materials are in the final stages. The keynote speaker for the Saturday banquet will be ID Wayne Davis from Virginia. I will now call on Institute Coordinator, PCC Rowe Haywood for a more detailed report on your progress in recruiting Lions to participate in this Institute.

Leadership Institute: PDG Rowe Haywood, 1. Attached you will note the current Registration Number for the two Institutes that our Multiple District will be conducting, February 15-17, 2008. Please note that these numbers are far below the targeted numbers, especially for the Basic Institute.

2. In order for the Institute Planning Committee, and the National Emergency Training Center (NETC) to complete the large amount of Administrative and Logistics Actions associated with the Institute, we again, ask you to again canvass your districts, and get your Lion’s Applications to the Institute Coordinator, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, AND NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1, 2008. Completed Application Forms can be emailed to PCC Rowe A. Haywood, and the Registration Fee can follow through the U.S. Postal System.

3. Plank Registration Forms that you can reproduce and distribute to your prospective applicants are also attached to this Report.

4. In summary, listed below is the specific area where your immediate support is required.

a. Attached to this report is a listing, by name, of Lions from your District who have registered for both Institutes. Please note that their SSNs are not shown, and this is for security purposes; however we will need these numbers for housing purposes at Emmitsburg, since that location is a Federal Installation. This information can be telephoned to PCC Haywood, who will only release it to the Housing Office at NETC.

B .Get additional Lions from your Districts to immediately register for the Institute(s).

c. Request that all DGs and VDGs who are planning on attending, furnish PCC Haywood with his/her Registration Forms and Fees after today's Council Meeting.

MULTIPLE DISTRICT 22 BASIC AND ADVANCED INSTITUTE PARTICIPATION
(As of January 24, 2008)

District	Faculty Members	Staff Members	Basic Crse Participants	Advanced Crse Participants	Totals	Remarks
22A	4		7	5	16	
22B	4		3		7	
22C	3	1	3	4	11	
22D	6	3	8	5	22	
22W				2	2	
MD 20S				1	1	
GUEST	2				2	
TOTALS	19	4	21	17	61	

Lions Saving Kids Sight, Inc.: Lion Donald Rae,

LSKS Foundation is alive and well. Our primary mission is to fund the activities of the Preschool Vision Screening Program once the funding of the LCIF terminates this year. The Trustees have been meeting regularly discussing ways to accomplish this goal. Donations have been received from Lions' Clubs and we have been the recipient of a grant applicable to the Mid Eastern Shore.

Because our need for funds is both local and Multiple District wide, our appeals will be of both types. However the Trustees have been brainstorming methods of conducting MD22 wide appeals that will not directly compete with established MD fundraising.

The PSVSP is in a period of transition from the use of a photo-screener to an electronic device made by Welch Allyn, and a Titnus test in order to continue to test for Amblyopic factors. As a result, new equipment must be gradually purchased. Neither the LSKS nor PSVSP have funds to buy new equipment. The Foundation encourages clubs, zones, and or regions to make capital investments, while the Foundation provides operational costs. However the Foundation stands ready to help write grant applications to local foundations that may prefer to donate toward the purchase of equipment rather than operating cost.

In short, we will come to the Lions of MD22 for financial aid to support this wonderful, basic Lion oriented project of saving eyesight in your own community.

We request two action items. Confirm Lion Maryanne MacClelland as a Trustee at Large to the LSKS Foundation, and place a list of amendments to our By-Laws on the ballot at this year's convention.

Motion to ratify Maryanne MacClelland as a Trustee at Large was made by DG Ted Ladd, second by DG Bob Jones, motion accepted.

Motion to put changes of amendments to By Laws on the ballot at the MD22 Multiple Convention was made by DG Ted Ladd, seconded by DG Dick Bloomquist, motion accepted.

USA/Canada Forum: PDG Joe Wood, I have started making arrangements for the Breakfast on Friday morning the 19th of September. I emailed PID Bill Iannaccone, who is in charge of special events, and let him know that we want to have a breakfast on Friday morning.

We have approximately 50 Lions and Guests signed up for this years Forum. If anyone wants to register for the 2008 Forum they can go to the Web Site www.usacanadalionsforum.org. You can also get information on Tours and other Special Events planned for the Forum.

One of the events is The Good Old Days at the Western Development Museum on Friday evening which includes Entertainment, Good Food and Wagon Rides. Tickets are thirty dollars and there will be a limited number available. You must purchase your tickets by August 31st.

Any one who wants to attend the USA/Canada Forum will need to have a passport before leaving the USA. Make sure your passport does not expire before the end of 2009. A passport which is about to expire can cause unexpected delays.

I would like for the Council to promote this Forum in their Districts. This is the best Leadership Training available to the Lions of our Multiple District.

Roaring Lions: PDG Dal Mann, We will have a speak off at the convention or that is the report at this time. We will have one or more speakers.

Constitution and By-Laws: PDG Thomas Jefts, The finance committee met and forwarded their report to me and we have gone through two or three changes since then and one was finalized last night after the social. I have passed out the final draft. This is to bring the finances of the Multiple District into one fund. My job is to present a duplicate copy of these changes within 60 days of the convention and I am officially handing these to the Council. I request your guidance on this. Following are the Existing and Proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws.

CONSTITUTION CHANGES

Article VI

Council Administrative Fund

Existing

Section 1. To cover the administrative costs of the Council of Governors, an annual per-capita tax of \$1.25 shall be levied upon each member of the Clubs in the Multiple District. Twenty-five cents per year of this tax will be divided equally and held in separate funds to cover the expenses of the Multiple District Membership Chairman and the Multiple District Extension Chairman. This tax shall be paid in two equal parts, semi-annually by October 1 and April 1, to the appropriate Sub-District Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer (or Cabinet Treasurer) who will forward said tax within 30 days to the Council Treasurer of the Council of Governors. The membership of the Club to be used as a basis for determining the amount due from each club will be used as a basis for determining the amount due from each club will be its recorded membership as of July 1 and January 1.

Any Club which is chartered or reorganized in a given fiscal year shall collect and pay said per-capita on a pro-rated basis starting from the first day of the second month following its re-organization, as the case may be.

Proposed

Section 1. To cover the administrative costs of the Council of Governors, an annual per-capita tax of \$1.25 shall be levied upon each member of the Clubs in the Multiple District. This tax shall be paid in two equal parts, semi-annually by October 1 and April 1, to the appropriate Sub-District Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer (or Cabinet Treasurer) who will forward said tax within 30 days to the Council Treasurer of the Council of Governors. The membership of the Club to be used as a basis for determining the amount due

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Article VIII

Multiple District Convention Fund

Existing

Section 2. The balance left in the Multiple District Convention Fund after paying all of the Multiple District Convention planning and operating expenses shall be turned over to the Council Treasurer prior to the Turnover Meeting of the Council of Governors. The balance will be held in the Multiple District Convention Fund and shall be used as defined in Article II, Section 1, Paragraph (g) of the Multiple District 22 Bylaws.

Proposed

Section 2. The balance left in the Multiple District Convention Fund after paying all of the Multiple District Convention planning and operating expenses shall be turned over to the Council Treasurer prior to the Turnover Meeting of the Council of Governors. The balance will be added to the Multiple District General Administrative Fund and shall be used as defined in Article II, Section 1, Paragraph (g) of the Multiple District 22 Bylaws.

Article IX

Multiple District International Convention Fund

Existing

Section 2. The balance left in the Multiple District International Convention Fund after paying all expenses associated with the Multiple District's participation in the Lions International Convention shall be turned over to the Council Treasurer prior to the Turnover Meeting of the Council of Governors. The balance will be held in the Multiple District International Convention Fund and shall be used as defined in Article II, Section I, Paragraph (g) of the Multiple District 22 Bylaws.

Proposed

Section 2. The balance left in the Multiple District International Convention Fund after paying all expenses associated with the Multiple District's participation in the Lions International Convention shall be turned over to the Council Treasurer prior to the Turnover Meeting of the Council of Governors. The balance will be added to the Multiple District General Administrative Fund and shall be used as defined in Article II, Section I, Paragraph (g) of the Multiple District 22 Bylaws.

BY-LAWS CHANGES

Article II

Duties

Existing

Section 1. Article g. With respect to each Multiple District Fund, the Council of Governors of the Multiple District shall make available to the Committee charged with the administration of each fund and/or activity that portion of the Multiple District dues allocated to each fund and/or activity, plus any fees, ticket sales, tail-twister fines, and other miscellaneous income resulting from the activities of the Committee in administering the fund and/or activity. At the discretion of the Council of Governors an amount up to, but not exceeding, 20% of the accumulated balance of the respective fund which was turned over to the current Council of Governors by the preceding Council of Governors may be turned over to the appropriate committee.

If, due to an emergency or other unforeseen circumstance, the actual expenditures for the administration of a fund and/or activity exceed the actual receipts from the sources enumerated above, the Council of Governors, shall, after an audit of the books to determine the reason for the excess expenditure, transfer sufficient monies from the balance remaining in the respective fund to liquidate the excess expenditures.

In the event that there are insufficient monies in a fund to liquidate excess expenditures, then transfers of monies between funds may be authorized, but only in accordance with the provisions of Article V, Section 5 (e) of the Constitution and Article II, Section 1(k), 1(1), and 1(m) of the Bylaws.

Proposed

Section 1. Article g. With respect to each Multiple District Fund, the Council of Governors of the Multiple District shall make available to the Committee charged with the administration of each named fund that portion of the Multiple District dues allocated to each named fund, plus any fees, ticket sales, tail-twister fines, and other miscellaneous income resulting from the activities of the Committee in administering that fund.

If the Committee has a need exceeding the planned or budgeted receipts from the sources enumerated above, then the Council of Governors shall consider the reason for the request for additional Funds.

If the request for additional funds is justified, then an amount up to, but not exceeding, 20% of the accumulated balance of the General Administrative Fund may be made available to the appropriate committee by the Council of Governors. If the request for additional funds exceeds the 20%, then the transfer of monies may be authorized, but only in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, Article V, Section 6(e) and of the Bylaws, Article II, Section 1 (k), Section 1(1), and Section 1(m).

Motion to tentatively approve changes to Constitution and Bylaws made by DG Bob Jones, seconded by DG Dick Bloomquist, motion carried.

Motion to have final approval of changes in March at the Council Meeting with changes to be mailed 30 days in advance of convention to all clubs was made by DG Ted Ladd, seconded by DG Dick Bloomquist.

MD22 Lions Youth Foundation: PDG Ken Draper

It is with great pleasure that I as Chairperson of MD 22 Lions Youth Foundation reflect upon the progress of this association. With the conservative approach by my predecessor, PDG Joe Wood, the Foundation began its year in a very positive way challenging the newly formed committees to make this year a positive impact year.

Various committees have been working very hard in developing programs to promote, serve and reward the Clubs in the Multiple District with grants in Youth Programs. The Education Committee is preparing a program to be presented during the MD Convention in May to tell our story. Members of the Board of Trustees have been working hard to get this new Foundation up and running this year. In a few weeks we will have a web page open that will make available data about the Foundation and a schedule of events relative to our Foundation.

This has not been a banner year for the Foundation as far as members of the Board. We have lost two very valuable members due to health causes. These two individuals were very dedicated and hard workers. Their dedication to youth and our association was unquestionable and will truly be missed.

With the progress we have made this past half year will only give us desire to look toward to a promising second half.

The following reports; Diabetes Awareness, Leader Dog and Vehicle Tag were given by Council Secretary, Barbara McKenney.

Diabetes Awareness: Lion Donna Jackman, Diabetes programs are continuing in our Multiple District. This has been a year of change and upsets, but we will continue to strive and educate our fellow Lions and respective Districts concerning the signs of diabetes, care once diagnosed, and keep our constituents updated on new developments.

District A – I have not been able to contact Lion Al Whitlock to get an update on the progression in this District. We were all alerted to a program being promoted by the Lions in New England. When I e-mailed the information to all the chairman, Lion Al replied he thought it might be wise to order a kit and review it. The cost is \$100 per kit, and I have not had feedback from any of the other Districts or the District Governors, so this is on hold.

District B – Lion Carlos Mir is working with me to help put a program together for Multiple District Convention. With the time restraints so limited, Carlos may do a presentation with materials from the American Diabetes Association.

District C – Lion Rosann Seibel has scheduled several presentations in the weeks ahead and continues to provide literature and information at meetings and other events to continue her effort to educate her fellow Lions and residents in her District.

District D – My last communication with DG Bob Jones was several weeks ago. He told me he did not have a replacement chairman for District D at that time. He said he would let me know once he has someone to fill the vacancy created when Jim Hartman resigned.

District W – We are continuing to promote Diabetes Awareness throughout the District. I have presented a number of programs and have a busy schedule in February and March. Our big emphasis currently is our annual Kiss-A-Pig Contest which will be held on February 10, 2008 at our Cabinet Meeting. We anticipate a large crowd for this meeting. This year's goal for this event is \$14,000. If we reach our goal, I have promised I will kiss the pig's back side. All funds raised from this event go to the American Diabetes Association for research to find a cure for diabetes.

I am working trying to put an educational presentation together for Multiple District Convention that will be within the time frame that we have been allotted. This presentation needs to get valuable information to the attendees and give them material that they can take back to their clubs and communities to help fight the disease that is running ramped and increasing in epidemic proportions. Educating our communities is one of the best means we have to get this problem in control.

Leader Dog: Connie Burick

22A: Donations in from six Clubs, totaling \$2,200. Leader Dog in training "Livingston" is growing and progressing well with his puppy raiser.

22B: Leader Dog Dinners have been set for March. On Monday March 17, Region 3 & 4 Clubs will meet in the Sharptown Memorial Hall at a cost of \$17 per person. Region 1 & 2 Clubs will meet Tuesday March 18 at Post #63 American Legion in Chestertown. Their cost will be \$16 per person. The Leader Dog representative will be Lion Liza Bruce and Leader Dog Baxter,

22C: Programs have been presented to 8 Clubs and 8 more are scheduled.

Donations totaling \$14,708.18 are in from 20 Clubs and the District.

22D: Plans for the District's Leader Dog nights continue to progress. The meeting for the northern part will be held in New Castle at the fire hall on Monday, March 24th. Region Chair Emil La Vita of the Brookside Club is providing the leadership for that program. The meeting for the Southern end of the state is being planned by region 3 Chair Dale Fields. It is to be held on Tuesday, March 25th. The guest speaker from Leader Dog will be Ms. Wanda Scroggins with her partner Gibson, a standard poodle.

22W: The 2008 Leader Dog Program is in the making. The guest speaker this year is Bunny Tabatt and her partner "Baker". The dates and sites have been selected.

Region 1 – Mon. April 21st at the Mount Savage Fire Hall;

Host Club - Mason Dixon; Chair – Lion Jim Bohn

Region 2 – Tues. April 22nd at Washington Square Methodist

Church; Host Club - West Hagerstown Lions;

Chair - Lion Donna Jackman

Region 3 – Wed. April 23rd at the New Midway Fire Hall

Host Club – Brunswick Lions

Chair – Lion Ann Smallwood

Region 4 – Thursday April 24th at the Gamber Fire Hall

Host Club - Deer Park

Chair – Lion Richard Liebno

Menus and price of the meals to be determined by chairpersons.

Vehicle Tag: Lion Roger Sauter,

The Whosit book is being typed into two excel lists, the first is old style plates LC-XXXXX, the second will be the new style plates LC-XXXX. Once the files are complete both will be placed on a web site that all Lions can access. This web site will be a read only site. If corrections are needed the Lions will be directed to my E-Mail address. I will make the necessary corrections to the web site. After the web site has been active for several months and corrections are minimal I will publish the next "WHOSIT"

booklet.

Current estimate for booklets is about \$1.00 each in lots of 1000 (local printer in Westminster), between the old style and the new style there are approximately 800 tags in service within the state of Maryland. The old numbers are going down because of deaths and people moving to other states (Florida for warmth and Delaware for lower taxes). The new numbers are still increasing because I am still processing tag applications regularly.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Comments from Advisors:

ID Steven Sherer commented on the great work we are doing. Great success with your leadership conference.

PID Darley Travers congratulated CC John on a great meeting this morning.

Multiple District Convention: PDG Barbara Marros, This committee is working very hard along with our spouses. Last year a very favorable response to the convention in Dover. Thank PDG Gary Burdette for showing the power point and Lion Keith Hughes for putting this together. If not for them there would not be a power point. Slides were shown for the Convention along with paper copies to all in attendance. Theme for this year is Racing to the Challenge. Agenda for the convention was shown. Dates of Convention are May 7 through 10, 2008. Entertainment for this year is Michael Rothman he is a comedian juggler. He has appeared in Dover before and his performance is usually sold out. Thursday is the first business meeting which is followed by the Melvin Jones Luncheon. Seminars will start at 1:30. Reception for Multiple District Banquet will start at 6:00 p.m. with the banquet at 7:00 p.m. Second business session will be on Saturday at 9:00 a.m. Our International President will be the featured speaker. It is a privilege and honor for an International President to be at our convention. We have planned a barbeque, which will be a very casual event and it will be inside. There will be a golf tournament again this year. All information has been passed out to those attending and mailed to all clubs. If there are any questions contact PDG Barbara Marros.

I am responsible for looking for a place and date for the convention in 2013, I called Fred Wise in Ocean City. I asked for 2013 but also asked him if he could give me dates for 2011 and 2012 as well. This is all possible if we stay away from a weekend.

Right now the tentative dates are

2011 May 12-15 – Thurs – Sun in Salisbury

2012 May 17-20 – Thurs – Sun in Salisbury

Alternative is

2011 May 18-21 – Wed – Sat in Ocean City

2012 May 14 – 17 – Mon-Thurs in Ocean City

2013 May 13-16 – Mon-Thurs in Ocean City

Motion was made for a tentative date of May 13-16, 2013 at Ocean City, Maryland by DG Bob Jones, Second by DG Dick Bloomquist, motion passed.

Benediction given by DG Bill Stark

Meeting adjourned at 11:02

Respectfully submitted

Barbara J. McKenney, D.G.
Council Secretary

