

**MINUTES**  
**MISSOURI LIONS COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS**  
**Saturday, July 18, 2015**  
**First Christian Church, Warrensburg, MO**

The first meeting of the 2015-2016 Missouri Lions Council of Governors was called to order by Council Chairperson Gary Curtis at 10:00 a.m.

**OPENING ADDRESS AND REMARKS** – Council Chair Gary Curtis welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DG Shelhammer gave the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by DG Joe Foster.

DG John Deters led in singing “America the Beautiful”.

**PROTOCOL** – PDG Ann Anderson established protocol for this meeting.

**APPOINTMENT OF 2015-16 PARLIAMENTARIAN** – Motion by DG Deters to appoint PCC Steve Wise as Parliamentarian for 2015-16. Seconded by DG Moore. Motion carried.

**DESIGNATION OF TAIL TWISTER FUNDS** - PDG Ann Anderson suggested that the Tail Twister fines be donated to the All-Star Football Game to offset the shortage of funds from districts not participating. Motion by DG Foster to donate the Tail Twister funds to the All-Star Football Game to offset costs. Seconded by DG Dugan. Motion passed.

**APPOINTMENT OF TAIL TWISTER** – Motion by DG Foster to appoint PCC Gina Boettcher as Tail Twister. Seconded by DG Shelhammer. Motion carried.

**ATTENDANCE** - Those in attendance were:

District	Governor	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice District Governors	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governors
26-M1	Don Shelhammer	Bob Wilson	John Preston
26-M2	Joe Foster	Jack Lenk	Joseph Detter
26-M3	John Deters		
26-M4	Tharran Gaines	Larry Boettcher	Ron Campbell
26-M5	Bruce Dugan	Alcy Malkmus-Espinoza	Greg Gilliam
26-M6		Lewis Carnes	
26-M7	Allen Moore	Don Soph	Lou Ann Hathcock

Council Chairperson IPDG Gary Curtis, M5

Immediate Past International Director Donal Knipp, M7

Past International Directors W. R. O’Riley, M4; Dr. Dwayne Garrett, M3

Parliamentarian PCC Steve Wise, M6

Council Secretary-Treasurer/State Office Administrator Lion Brenda Weider, M7

M1: IPDG Don Beckham, PDG Casey Morris, PDG Lana Wilson

M2: PDG Jim Bernhardt, PCC Al Blumenberg, PDG Debbie Blumenberg, PCC Gina Boettcher, PCC Terry Boettcher, Lion Kevin Carr, Lion Michelle Foster, Lion June Lenk, PDG Ron Koppelman, Lion Toni Mahoney, PDG Eugene Taylor, PCC Kimberly Taylor, PDG Elmer Weinrich, Lion George Winkeler, Lion Jennifer Wolf

M3 PDG Lisa Alexander, PDG Freda McKee, Lion Betty Noland, PCC Don Noland, Lion Jason Noland

M4: PDG Ann Anderson, PCC John Anderson, Lion Peggy Campbell, Lion Tri Knoke

M5: PDG Jene Crook, Lion Janice Curtis, Lion Christine Dugan, Lion Robert Espinoza, Lion Christina

Gilliam, Lion Julie Goetz, PDG Kenny Goetz, Lion Carole O'Riley, Lion Cathy Rayfield, PDG Tom Rayfield, Lion Sunil Joshi (UCM Campus Club)

M6: PDG Bill Botzow, PDG Debbie Cantrell, IPDG Peter Frantzen, PDG Dave Harris, Lion Jennie Mosher

M7: Lion Amy Bell, PDG Nan Blakemore, PCC Jesse Hathcock, IPCC Jeff Hilke, PDG Ron Jordan, Lion Betty Knipp, Lion Wayne Weider

Guests: Band Director Dan Chisham, Band Staff Nathan Gargus, 4 Exchange Students – Liron Eliyahu (Israel), Emma Salo (Finland), Jana-Emily Kröger (Germany) and Sebnem Gungor (Turkey).

CC Curtis asked DG John Deters to tell everyone something about himself that they may not know. DG Deters explained that, through Facebook, most people know that he is a member of the Bowling Green Lions Club; he owns a bar and grill in Bowling Green, Missouri; he owns a t-shirt shop. What some may not know is that his cancer has returned for a third time. He just returned from the Mayo Clinic where a second opinion confirmed what he had been told in St. Charles. He would be starting chemo the following week, but he is positive that the treatments will work. He thanks everyone for their thoughts and prayers and support, and added that it is the Lions that keep him going.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 30, 2015 COUNCIL MEETING** – Motion by DG Moore, seconded by DG Gaines, to approve the minutes of the April 30, 2015 Council Meeting. Motion passed.

**UCM CAMPUS CLUB** – Lion Sunil Joshi of the UCM Campus Club spoke about the 7.8 earthquake in his native Nepal in April that killed thousands and injured thousands. He spoke about the hundreds of aftershocks, and how the people were afraid to go back to their houses. He, as well as VDG Alcy Malkmus-Espinoza, spoke about how Lions have been helping.

**2014-2015 FINANCIAL YEAR END REPORT** – IPCC Jeff Hilke gave a few highlights of the year-end financial reports. On the Administrative Council budget the total revenues for the year were \$91,996.68, and the total expenses were \$78,222.80. We ended the year with total assets, including all funds, of \$325,667.47.

**INTERNATIONAL UPDATE** – IPID Donal Knipp congratulated all of the District Governors on being elected and is looking forward to working with them as they move the ideals of Lionism forward. He also thanked the Immediate Past District Governors for all they succeeded in the past year.

At the International Convention the reallocation of board seats presented for approval to the delegates as a constitutional amendment passed. This will reduce the number of International Directors elected from the USA by 3 over a 3-year period, and will increase the number of International Directors elected from Areas V and VI. A constitution and by-laws amendment to reinstate the office of 3rd vice-president presented to the delegates for approval passed as well. Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada of Japan was elected President, Bob Corlew of Tennessee was elected 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and Naresh Aggarwal of India was elected 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President.

So far the Centennial Service Challenge has benefited over 37 million people. In 2015-16 this program will bring us the Membership Challenge. Members, clubs and districts will all be able to win special recognition under this program and every club is being asked to have a special service project during this challenge period.

As of June 30, 2015, membership in MD 26 has decreased by 296 members. We have 3 districts that have fewer than 1,250 members needed to be a district in good standing. We have some work to do on retention of members; it looks like the back door is our problem – we're losing more members than we're getting. We MUST work on membership.

The time has come for Lions of MD 26 to endorse a candidate for International Director of Lions Clubs International. The qualifications and requirements for potential candidates are provided in the LCI By-Laws (Article II, International Board Elections, Section 3) and the MD 26 Constitution (Article 6,

Committees, Section (g) – Pages 9 and 10). He urged the Governors to put this in their newsletters and inform all of their clubs.

He is trying to get 2<sup>nd</sup> International Vice President Naresh Aggarwal as our Guest at our State Convention, but does not know yet if he'll be able to get it done.

**GREAT PLAINS LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE** – IPID Knipp reported that this Institute is an intensive leadership skills program for Lions who have not served as District Governor. It is being held at the University of Jamestown, Jamestown, North Dakota, July 24-26, 2015. PCC Terry Boettcher and PDG Debbie Cantrell from MD 26 are presenters this year. The Institute is sponsored by Multiple Districts 5, 9, 17, 26 and 38. At that time 8 Lions from Missouri were registered, and he felt that number could be doubled or even tripled with the scholarships in place to offset the cost.

**USA/CANADA FORUM** – IPID Knipp announced the dates of the Forum are September 17-19, 2015 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. There will be over 100 seminars to choose from to attend. Several special events will take place. On Thursday there will be a Strides Walk to fight diabetes, followed by a fun evening of entertainment and events at the “Lions Fun Festival”. Friday will highlight the Young Lions Forum, where you will be able to receive hands-on guidance from young Lions on setting up websites, using the e-clubhouse system, help with myLCI, setting up Facebook accounts, etc. Saturday will be Leo Day and the first graduation ceremony of Lions University. Featured presentations will include “Buckets and Boards”, a comedy percussion show; Lisa Whelchel (Blair from “The Facts of Life” TV show); Wayne Brock, Chief Executive of the Boy Scouts of America; and Dr. Yamada and his team on his presidential theme and program. Vice President Corlew is the Honorary Chairman of the Forum.

**LCIF** – PID Dr. Garrett reported that the total MD 26 donations came to \$98,230.00. The District Coordinators for the new year are: M1-Lion Jerry Reaves, M2-PDG Debbie Blumenberg, M3-PCC Don Noland, M4-IPDG Richard T. Warner, M5-PDG Johnny Stabno, M6-PCC Jim Tesreau and M7-PCC Jesse Hathcock. They are working on an LCIF function at the MD 26 State Convention, and are asking for ideas. October 20 has been designated for “A Day of Service” by LCI and LCIF. They are asking ALL clubs to have a project on this day. On the Measles campaign, each dollar we donate will be matched by GAVA Alliance and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and are Melvin Jones Fellowship eligible. This past year Lions throughout the world have raised over \$33 million to make a difference in their communities. In May the board of trustees awarded more than \$5 million in grant funding, including a \$100,000 major catastrophic grant to support Lions relief efforts in Nepal. Some will be coming back to us with the Saving Sight grant. Now all unrestricted donations will go to the “area of greatest need”. Those donations are also MJF eligible.

**LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT** – PCC AI Blumenberg reported that at the direction of the 2014-15 Council of Governors the Long Range Planning Committee was activated and asked to conduct a comprehensive review of the Policy Manual and report to the incoming Council of Governors before this meeting. He listed the committee members, along with their level of participation in this endeavor. He then presented the recommendations. *(To follow later)*

He answered questions regarding uniforms and the State Office accepting credit cards for various Missouri Lions activities; for example, shirts, forum registrations, football ads, etc. PCC Blumenberg reminded everyone that each year it is the Council's responsibility to accept their recommendations, to change anything they want, and to approve the Policy Manual for their year.

*(Break)*

**STATE/INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE REPORT** – PCC Don Noland asked PCC Kimberly Taylor and PCC Jesse Hathcock to report on the International Convention in Hawaii. PCC Taylor reported that Missouri had a great hotel, it was within walking distance of the convention center, all meetings were at one location, the weather was perfect, the parade was fantastic (they were able to

march in it, then go have lunch and watch the rest of it). It was one of the best conventions she had ever attended. PCC Hathcock echoed PCC Taylor's comments and added that Missouri had 23 Lions participating in the parade, with the District Governors-Elect and their spouses in their "distinctive blues" and the rest of the Lions in their "Good Humor" outfits. Eight of the Missouri Lions attended the Midwest Breakfast and met with international candidates.

PCC Noland asked IPDG Don Beckham to report on the 2015 State Convention and asked for a round of applause for a job well done. IPDG Beckham reported that 315 paid attendees were registered. Ray's Plaza Conference Center served as the convention host site, and Holiday Inn Express and Auburn Place provided rooms and services. The Council Meeting preceding the Convention was held at Kem Statuary Hall on the SEMO Campus. The host committee was proud to host 2<sup>nd</sup> International VP Robert Corlew and his wife. On Friday there was training, the first plenary session and the hospitality event, where districts provided food and drinks, a band played, each attendee received a commemorative wine glass, and a silent auction raised \$3,318 for LCIF. Ten vendors and seven pin traders offered their wares and information throughout the weekend, and the Convention project "Operation Write Home" yielded 551 completed cards to send to active duty servicemen and women around the world. On Saturday there was another plenary session, as well as the LCIF All Lions Luncheon, where there were 257 paid attendees, and another \$1,966 was raised for LCIF. After the lunch and session a "Derby Party" was held where attendees were able to "bet" on the winning horse, and another \$1,000+ was raised for LCIF, bringing the total to \$6,298! On Saturday evening 276 paid attendees attended the Banquet, where they were welcomed by Lt. Governor Peter Kinder and heard from 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Corlew on his vision for the future of Lionism. The convention culminated with a Memorial Service Sunday morning at Cape County Park overlooking Melaina's Magical Playland, a partially LCIF funded community project. He recognized members of the Host Committee for their hard work. IPDG Beckham said that the reason he had a big smile on his face was that he was happy to report that the Host Committee was very proud that, after forwarding LCIF a total of \$6,298 and after returning the Cape Noon Club an advance of \$2,500 they are able to return the original advance from the State Convention Committee of \$2,000, as well as a profit received from the convention of \$4,822.38! (He received another round of applause.)

PCC Noland announced that the 2016 State Convention will be held in Springfield, and the 2017 State Convention will be held at Tan-Tar-A at Osage Beach. The Committee is looking for districts to bid on the 2018 State Convention. He also reported that all of the 4XL white Lions shirts have been sold. White hats are still available. There is an ongoing work in progress guideline for hosting State Conventions. The Committee will meet Sunday, September 13, at the State Office.

**2016 STATE CONVENTION HOST COMMITTEE** – PDG Bill Botzow reported that the 94<sup>th</sup> Annual Missouri Lions State Convention will be held April 28-May 1, 2016 at the Ramada Plaza Hotel & Oasis Convention Center in Springfield, Missouri. He summarized all of the amenities, facilities and services of the hotel, and he gave a summary of the tentative schedule of events. He reminded the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governors to bring a check for \$175 to the January Council Meeting for the hospitality rooms, and The website to get more information or to register is [molionstateconvention2016.org](http://molionstateconvention2016.org).

**ALERT COMMITTEE** – No report.

**CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS COMMITTEE REPORT** – PCC Kimberly Taylor reported that there were several issues that the Delegates to the International convention voted on. All of the following issues passed:

- Reallocation of the number of International Directors by decreasing USA directors by 3 and increasing ISAAME directors by 2 and OSEAL directors by 1 over a three-year period.
- Reinstating the position of International Third Vice President
- Renaming Leadership committee to Leadership Development Committee
- Require payment of delinquent dues at least 15 days prior to the close of credentials at District Conventions
- Amending redistricting procedures.

Some of the approved issues may require changes to our MD 26 Constitution & By-Laws. A meeting of the Committee will be scheduled in August or September. The Committee will also review any requests for changes or clarifications that the Council may have throughout the year.

**ATHLETIC COMMITTEE REPORT** – Lion Kevin Carr reported on the activities of the players that week and reminded everyone of the game scheduled that night. Also, athletic pins were still available for sale.

**BAND COMMITTEE REPORT** – PDG Ron Koppelman reported on the recent Band Camp and Trip to Florida. The new band director this year was Dan Chisham of Fatima High School. The previous director, Steve Eubanks, could not participate due to finishing his doctoral degree at MU. Forty-four students participated this year and performed at Ft. Leonard Wood, St. James Veteran's Home, Webster Groves Lions Carnival and Parade, and the Disney Parade. They also saw the sites in St. Augustine and spent time on the beach.

Next year they plan to have the camp at Ft. Leonard Wood again and then travel to San Antonio, Texas. The Committee would like to try to build a band of 100 plus but needs everyone's help. They need applications returned early! They will promote the band again by attending marching band festivals around the state and having a booth at the MMEA Conference. He reminded the Vice District Governors, when picking their District Band Chairs, to find someone with a passion for the program.

**PIN TRADERS REPORT** - No report.

**STATE OFFICE COMMITTEE REPORT** - PDG Eugene Taylor reminded everyone of the purpose of the Committee, which is to be a liaison between the Council and the Office Administrator on any and all issues or concerns that need to be addressed. One of their concerns is the budgeting process, because they feel the incoming Governors are at a disadvantage when it comes to being able to develop an effective budget. He proposed that an actual budgeting process be implemented where they would be working with a 5-year budget to see how performance to budget has or has not been achieved. This process would allow for continuity and understanding from year to year and would be helpful to all concerned. The Committee is also looking at processes to support how state-wide committees perform to standard practices so that we can have an effective and logical transition from committee chairs and members from year to year. He asked all Lions of Missouri to understand and appreciate just how hard the State Office staff work and encouraged everyone to visit the State Office to better understand the quality of service they provide. He appreciates the condition and appearance of the State Office and the pride exhibited by every person there.

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY REPORT** – PDG Eugene Taylor reported that the webpage continues to be maintained as changes become available. The new seated Governors' photos have been added. He will no longer be on the committee as he is being replaced in his district. This is good because his replacement is a new Lion so this will get him involved and engaged. PDG Taylor will call a meeting of the State Committee shortly to transition all the available information on status of issues. This includes maintenance and continuance of web addresses that we have registered. There should be no interruptions caused by this change. He asked that all Governors assure that their IT Chairs attend the meeting so that the transition can be done and a new State Chair and webmaster can be elected. He reviewed the status of other possible web addresses that have been tracked to make sure someone else doesn't get these "missourillions" sites. When asked about a new webmaster, he indicated that it is totally up to the new committee whether to keep the same one or get someone else. He reminded all committees that it is their responsibility to let the webmaster know of any of their information that needs to be added or updated (such as upcoming events).

**LIONS OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH REPORT** – Lion Toni Mahoney thanked all Lions that support these outstanding youth programs (football, band, Leos, peace poster and youth exchange). This year 16 youths from 11 different countries were visiting through the youth exchange program. They had been experiencing two different host families and they were headed to Camp Brim Shire in St. James for a week

of fun with tours and other activities. Their host families are in M1, M2, M3 and M5. No youth from Missouri are attending any of the 115 International camps in 41 countries this year. They encourage our youth to take advantage of this program. A Committee meeting will be scheduled in August. She asked that they encourage their clubs to purchase their Peace Poster Kits, 2015-2016 theme "Share Peace".

**GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM REPORT** – PDG Debbie Cantrell reported that we continue to lose members. This issue must be addressed – we must close the back door. One recent membership tip was regarding membership of veterans. LCI is extending the Veteran initiative for the whole year. Someone asked about including active duty military. PID O'Riley added that the initiative does now include active military. PID Dr. Garrett asked PDG Cantrell to clarify the wording on that and get it out on motions. Another recent tip is to consider viewing and sharing an LCIF video. In reviewing Missouri's reports one thing she noticed is the fact that the gender percentage is low for women. We have an average of about 24% women Lions in the state. According to Past International President Tam the world is comprised of approximately 51% women, so why not have at least 50% women in our Lions Clubs? The GMT will try to get suggestions to the clubs to focus on more women in our organization. Regarding our membership problem, she suggested we make a conscious effort to talk more about our services and less about our fundraising.

**GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORT** – PDG Tom Rayfield reported that last year they had some eye-opening training sessions and started this year off with another one. He announced that LCI will allow them to apply for a 2015-2016 MD funding grant, and he has the grant package ready to go. The GLT meeting would be held immediately following the Council Meeting that day.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE** – No report.

**MISSOURI LION BULLETIN** – Lion Jennie Mosher reported that Issue #15 was out. She has once again asked the Governors to be part of the review process. Issue #16 will be distributed at the end of August, so the deadline for any information to be submitted is August 15.

**HEARING COMMITTEE REPORT** – Lion Peggy Campbell reported on the past year for the Hearing Committee. They have worked very hard the past couple of years to get more information out to the clubs across the state about their projects. These are the Affordable Hearing Aid Project which buys hearing aids for low income hearing impaired recipients, Missouri School for the Deaf in Fulton, upkeep of the hearing vans, and having portable screeners to do hearing screenings for those 6 years of age and up. They have been able to update and maintain their equipment; they replaced a motor in Van 3, they purchased of a new portable screener, and they are scheduling the calibration of screeners on a regular basis. They have been more visible to the public by doing more screenings at public events and schools, which has promoted Lions in general. Their first thing on the agenda for the new year is the preparation of the next hearing sweepstakes fundraiser, which totally funds all of their projects.

**SIGHT CONSERVATION COMMITTEE REPORT** – PDG Debbie Blumenberg reported on the LEAD Weekend held in May. The event focused on developing Sight Ambassadors and connections between our State Sight Project and Saving Sight. More than 60 Lions from across the state attended. Topics included donor designation, communication updates, vision screening programming and equipment training, volunteer programs and overview, ReSpectacle, and hands-on work with the new lensometer and sonic cleaner. The next LEAD Weekend will be held May 20-21, 2016. The KidSight program is a success with more than 60,000 screenings in the last year. Volunteers are critical for this; in an effort to be more transparent applications will include background checks, at no cost to the volunteer. There are many volunteer opportunities at back-to-school vision screenings and health fairs in August and September. Five Missouri Lions recently returned from an eyeglass mission trip to Toluca City, Mexico, where 1,197 citizens received eyeglasses. Those on the trip were Lion Charles Callier (M3), Lion Doris Eagle (M3), Lion Ron Hopkins (M3), Lion Marlene Payne (M6), and Lion Jim Tesreau (M6). The next group will head to Panama City, Panama in September. She urged Governors and Vice District Governors to appoint District Chairs to the Sight Committee who are willing to work hard.

**SAVING SIGHT REPORT** – PCC Al Blumenberg reported that IPCC Jeff Hilke, IPDG Missy Carr, PDG Gary Clarkson and Lion Dr. Dan Obermark have completed their terms on the Saving Sight Board, and their efforts were very much appreciated. New members coming on the Board are: Council Chair Gary Curtis, Vice Council Chair John Deters, PDG Sandy McCann, and Lion Dr. Cassidy Obermark. New officers were elected as follows: President – PCC Al Blumenberg, Vice-President – PCC Dan Bernskoetter, Treasurer – PDG Stuart Payne and Secretary – Lion Allen Lohsandt. Through May 31, Saving Sight’s eye bank operations have provided 2,553 corneal tissues for transplant, an increase of 14% over the same period the previous year. Saving Sight continues to provide service to more individuals by processing autologous serum eye drops for eye care professionals to prescribe. Vision screeners across the state have been busy – to date 60,800 young people and nearly 2,000 adults have been screened. From that, 3,839 have been referred for further treatment. Donations from Lions clubs play an essential role in their programs. Through June 30, club donations for last fiscal year were \$159,137, an increase of 11% over the prior year. The goal this year is \$180,000. They are excited to report that the \$25,000 LCI grant has been approved. We still need to get to \$25,000 on our matching donations; we are halfway there. Saving Sight is nearly complete with its second strategic plan to help set organizational direction. Their next Board meeting will be held Saturday afternoon, September 19, at the Kansas City Office.

**LBOMB REPORT** – Lion George Winkeler reported that they have a few temporary managers in Missouri and are always looking for managers. He had handouts available on their manager training program and Missouri maps showing all of the LBOMB vending stations. He asked the Governors to get with their District LBOMB Chairs to get the word out about their program.

**WORLD SERVICES FOR THE BLIND** – PDG Lisa Alexander reported that they are still looking for a CEO. The organization is turning around and is working on getting more funding. Any donations are very much appreciated.

**LEADER DOG** – No report.

**MID-SOUTH** – No report.

**POLICY MANUAL COMMITTEE** – No report.

**PERSONNEL MANUAL COMMITTEE** – No report.

**COMMITTEE BUDGET PROPOSALS** – Motion by DG Foster, seconded by DG Moore to approve the Hearing Committee Budget. Motion passed. Motion by DG Dugan, seconded by DG Shelhammer to approve the GLT Budget. Motion carried.

**RECEIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS** – Motion by DG Shelhammer to receive the committee reports. Seconded by DG Deters. Motion passed.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**QUALITY LIONS AWARD NOMINATIONS –**

M1 – 0      M2 – 0      M3 – 0      M4 – 1      M5 – 0      M6 – 0      M7 – 0

**POLICY MANUAL SIGNATURES** – Council Chair reminded everyone of the purpose of the Conflict of Interest Policy and named the positions that get a copy and sign for it after the meeting. He clarified that the committees operating on the October-September year can get and sign them at the October meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**POLICY MANUAL** – Motion by DG Foster to approve the recommendations of changes to the Policy Manual by the Long Range Planning Committee. Seconded by DG Shelhammer. Motion passed.

**APPOINTMENT OF 2015-2016 MULTIPLE DISTRICT PROTOCOL CHAIRPERSON** – Motion by DG Gaines to appoint PDG Ann Anderson as the MD Protocol Chairperson for the 2015-2016 year. Seconded by DG Dugan. Motion passed.

**APPOINTMENT OF 2015-2016 DGE SEMINAR CHAIRPERSON** – Motion by DG Foster, seconded by DG Deters to appoint MD GLT Chair PDG Tom Rayfield, in consultation with the Liaison Committee, as the DGE Seminar Chairperson. Motion passed.

**APPOINTMENT OF 2015-2016 SPOUSES' SEMINAR CHAIRPERSON** – Motion by DG Shelhammer to appoint Lion Betty Knipp as the 2015-2016 Spouses' Seminar Chairperson. Seconded by DG Moore. Motion carried.

**APPOINTMENT OF THE 2015-2016 STATE OFFICE COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON** – Motion by DG Foster to appoint PDG Marvin Stuenkel as the 2015-2016 State Office Committee Chairperson. Seconded by DG Dugan. Motion passed.

**APPOINTMENT OF THE 2015-2016 MISSOURI LION EDITOR** – Motion by DG Shelhammer that Lion Jennie Mosher be appointed as the Editor of the 2015-2016 Missouri Lion. Seconded by DG Gaines. Motion carried.

**APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR FOR 2014-2015 YEAR ENDING FINANCIAL STATEMENT** - Motion by DG Moore to designate Graves & Associates to do a financial review of the 2014-2015 Year Ending Financial Statement, in accordance with the terms as the second year of a three-year contract. Seconded by DG Shelhammer. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL TO SUBMIT FINANCIAL RECORDS TO THE AUDITOR** – Motion by DG Shelhammer to approve submitting the financial reports to the auditor for review. Seconded by DG Foster. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF DEPOSITORY FOR ALL FUNDS** – DG Deters made a motion that Jefferson Bank of Missouri serve as the depository for all Missouri Lions funds for 2015-2016. Seconded by DG Shelhammer. Motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL BUDGET** – Motion by DG Dugan that the Administrative Council Budget for the 2015-2016 Year, as prepared and agreed upon at the June 6, 2015 Budget Meeting, be approved as presented. Seconded by DG Gaines. Motion carried.

**DISTRICT CONVENTION DATES AND SPEAKERS** – IPID Donal Knipp announced the dates and speakers for the District Conventions:

26-M1	Feb 26-28	Howard Hudson, California	West Plains
26-M2	Mar 18-20	Lewis Quinn, Alaska	St Louis
26-M3	April 1-3	Robert Libin, New York	St Clements/Bowling Green
26-M4	Mar 18-20	Melvin Bray, New Jersey	Chillicothe
26-M5	Mar 11-13	Jack Epperson, Nevada	Sedalia
26-M6	Feb 26-28		Springfield
26-M7	Mar 11-13	Richard Liebno, Maryland	Eldon



IPID Knipp reminded the Governors that they need to complete the speaker request notification forms soon. It can also be done online.

**SITE FOR OCTOBER 2016 COUNCIL MEETING** – 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Larry Boettcher announced that the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governors are recommending for approval the Country Club Hotel at Lake of the Ozarks. Motion by DG Deters to accept this recommendation. Seconded by DG Shelhammer. Motion passed.

**APPROVE DESTRUCTION OF OLD FINANCIAL RECORDS (ONE YEAR, LEAVING PREVIOUS FIVE YEARS)** – Motion by DG Foster, seconded by DG Moore, to approve the destruction of one year of old financial records, leaving the previous five years on file. Motion passed.

**RESOLUTION FOR NEW BANK SIGNATURES** – Motion by DG Shelhammer to authorize MD 26 Council Chair Gary Curtis, Vice Council Chair John Deters, Council Secretary-Treasurer Brenda Weider and Assistant Council Secretary-Treasurer Craig Lehman to sign on MD 26 bank account. Seconded by DG Gaines. Motion passed.

**SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS** – CC Curtis announced that the following need special dispensation to continue serving on their respective committees:

M1 – PDG Lisa Clinton – Youth Committee

M2 – PCC Al Blumenberg – Long Range Planning Committee

M3 – PCC Pat Porterfield – Youth Committee

M4 – Lion Greg Hall – Band Committee

M4 – Lion Ron Campbell – Hearing Committee

M6 – PDG Bill Botzow – Convention Committee

After a vote by secret ballot, CC Curtis announced that all had received special dispensation.

Motion by DG Foster to destroy the ballots. Seconded by DG Moore. Motion carried.

**PERSONNEL ISSUES** – None

**GLT REQUEST FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL OF THREE APPOINTMENTS TO THE GLT TEAM** – DG Foster stated that after lengthy discussion on the appointments to the GLT Team, the Governors have agreed that it will go on as it is currently being operated with the MD GLT Chair appointing his team to help him throughout his term; they are not going to appoint the people to his team. PDG Tom Rayfield asked if they understood that this is an LCI mandate. IPID Knipp confirmed that it is mandated by LCI. DG Foster said they had discussed this mandate, but the appointments have already been made by the MD GLT Chair and the Governors will allow that to go on, they are not changing anything; however, they feel that the process is vague and at this time the Governors do not want to appoint them to the GLT team. PDG Rayfield stated that he has made these recommendations before of these three nominees, with their particular backgrounds, but it is up to the Council of Governors to approve them. The work goes on. He will be back next year. PID Dr. Garrett asked PDG Rayfield to name his nominees. He is requesting that the Council formally appoint, for one year, PCC Steve Wise, PDG Lisa Alexander, and Lion Cathy Rayfield on the 2015-2016 GLT Team. He stated “You are appointing them, you are not funding them.” PCC Kimberly Taylor added that, based on our MD Constitution, it can go either way. Committees or the Council may appoint additional members. Motion by DG Shelhammer to approve the three Lions recommended by PDG Rayfield. No second. Motion failed. When asked why there was no second, DG Foster responded that the Governors have looked at this team, and it was also addressed last year when they were not appointed, and they understand some of the reasoning from last year and this year go together. It’s a new program and they are not saying that PDG Rayfield does not need his team to help him, the only thing that is not happening is that the Governors are not appointing them to the GLT Team. PDG Rayfield can choose whomever he wants on his team. DG Foster made a motion to table this issue until next year. No second. Motion failed. PDG Rayfield withdrew his nominations. PCC Taylor again reminded them that a committee can choose its own additional members; they do not need Council approval, according to the MD 26 Constitution. PDG Rayfield read the LCI mandate. When asked, PDG

Rayfield stated that he has given the Governors the document from LCI. DG Shelhammer made a motion again to approve the three Lions PDG Rayfield has recommended. No Second. After conferring with PDG Rayfield and reading the GLT Resource Manual, PID W. R. O'Riley explained that PDG Rayfield has the authority to appoint these three Lions. If he wants to appoint someone else to be on the GLT team, that has to be approved by the Council. DG Shelhammer withdrew his motion. DG Foster stated that at this time they do not feel this requires any more action, that nothing changes, that PDG Rayfield's team stays as is, appointed by him, under his authority.

**POLICY MANUAL** – PCC Terry Boettcher commended the Long Range Planning Committee for their work on the Policy Manual, and he reminded the Governors that the cover page will need to be updated. Motion by DG Gaines that the cover page be updated to reflect the current year on the Policy Manual. Seconded by DG Deters. Motion carried.

**TAIL TWISTER** – PCC Gina Boettcher collected a total of \$146 in Tail Twister fines.

**NEXT MEETING** – October 24, 2015 – Tan-Tar-A, Osage Beach, MO

**ADJOURNMENT** – Motion by DG Shelhammer to adjourn. Seconded by DG Moore. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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