

**District 5M-2 Cabinet Meeting Minutes
June 14, 2020
Zoom Online Meeting**

Call to Order: DG Brian Thies called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by DG Brian Thies.

Welcome: DG Brian Thies welcomed everyone.

Roll Call: Taken by Lion Cindy Walters, showing 34 in attendance, 19 absent, 2 guests.

Adoption of the Agenda: Motion to approve agenda Lion Deb Koehnen; seconded by Lion Meg Tibideau; **MC.**

Secretary's Report: Motion to approve by PDG Diana Kroells, seconded by Lion Meg Tibedeau, **MC.**

Treasurer's Report: Lion Sue Vos sent her report. Motion by PDG Diana Kroells and seconded by Lion Janet Knakmuhs to accept the Treasurer's Report, **MC.** Copy is attached at the end of this report.

Comments: DG Brian Thies – MD5M is searching for an Executive Secretary (ES) and HR assistance. Lion Bob Harms has been appointed ES until replacement found and trained.

Communications: None.

Old Business:

- **Update on LCIF Grant for Camp Sweet Life:** Cancelled because of COVID-19. LCIF was contacted and the grant is extended. DG Brian will remain the administrator of the grant until the future date when the camp can be held.
- **2020 5M2 Midwinter Convention:** Lions Lori Klein and Brian Rykhus. No report.
- **2021 MD5M Convention Report:** PDGs Nancy Mathwig and Mike Vos – A whole lot has changed since we reported last at the Midwinter Cabinet meeting! Due to the stay at home requirements and cancellation of the 2020 multiple convention as well as Chair Nancy's family issues, the 2021 MD5M Host Convention Committee met only on February 19, 2020 and then not until June 8, 2020. Although no one knows for sure what additional changes we will see in the way meetings and conventions are conducted in the next year, the committee is moving ahead with planning a "normal" convention.
Over the past roughly 15 years, pre-registration at the previous year's Multiple has been the norm and usually saw roughly 80 – 100 pre-registrations completed. Since we did not have that option this year, we will need everyone's assistance to spread the word once registration is ready. The committee has set July 15th as the release date for the online registration platform as well as the availability of the hard copy, print and mail copy. Our publicity chair – Lion Patty Lanting, registration chairs – Lions Christy Trutnau and Jennifer Malecha and technology chair – PDG Steve Wasserman, will be working together to send the information to all clubs and districts within MD5M.
 - Zone chairs – please put the 2021 multiple convention on your agendas for all zone meetings – initial, fall and spring as well as any communication you have with your clubs in between meetings.
 - Cabinet members – please register to attend and spread the word in your clubs. Since this is a District 5M2 sponsored convention, the committee will be asking for assistance beginning now for various tasks to complete before the convention. A sign-up sheet for workers at the Multiple convention will be available at Midwinter.

As you all know, our stay at the City Center Hotel for Midwinter was far below we have come to expect from that hotel, and any hotel for Lions conventions. Unfortunately, the City Center Hotel was one of

the hotels included in our bid to host the 2021 convention. As of this report, the sale of the hotel was put on hold due to COVID and Nancy has not received an update from the Event Center stating it is now moving ahead. Unfortunately, City Center had the bulk of our hotel rooms – 120 for Saturday and Sunday. No contract was ever completed with them and we are not including them on the available hotel lists. That said, Nancy is still working with the Event Center to confirm additional rooms at two other hotels – Country Inn and Suites and Holiday Inn Express. We were able to increase our contracted rooms at the Courtyard by Marriott from 30 to 50 with the possibility of additional rooms closer to the date. Free, transportation between the Event Center and the outlying hotels is also being discussed.

There will be a couple carry-overs from the Rochester convention that was cancelled:

- The raffle room/silent auction room will be co-sponsored by both the MN Lions Diabetes Foundation (was scheduled for 2020 in Rochester) and the MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation.
- We will honor at the Multiple level, all Lions, Lioness and Leos who passed away and were honored during both the 2020 Midwinters as well as those who will be honored during the 2021 Midwinters.
- First time winners from the 2019 convention in Mahanomen will have their awards honored in 2021.

The following items are completed:

1. Convention will be April 30, May 1 & 2, 2021 at the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center (formerly known as Mankato Civic Center or Verizon Wireless Center). For ease of reference, Mayo Event Center is being utilized.
 2. Theme for the convention will build on our previous themes. Theme chose is “Bend in the River III – Join the Jamboree”.
 3. At this time, PIP Frank Moore and his wife, Rita, will serve as our International guests for the MD5M Convention in Mankato. Frank was President in 2001-02 but has been our current LCI Executive Administrator and Secretary in Oakbrook for the past numerous years. Lion Frank is current on what is happening with all divisions in LCI and can speak on where LCI is headed in the future. PIP Frank was our International guest for the 2001 MD5M Convention in Duluth when he was 1st International Vice President.
 4. As noted above, the raffle room/silent auction room has been assigned and will be handled by the Foundations.
 5. Contracts are signed with the Hilton Garden Inn, Courtyard by Marriott and Mayo Event Center.
- **Joint District Project for Feed My Starving Children:** Lion Darlene Mondor – Date to remember for our great opportunity to help feed many, many people – **Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) date is Tuesday, October 20, 2020.** If you were registered for a session in April then you will be automatically be registered for the same session in Oct. If you haven't registered and would like to for the October session, please just follow the registration information to register for any of the three sessions either individually or as a club have been listed in the current newsletter and will also be listed in future newsletters. If you would rather, you can let me know and I will register you or your club since I'm a group leader.
 - **Jungle Days:** Lion Chris Lund – July 1st drop dead date for registration. There are still some restrictions at the golf course in regard to meal dining, etc. Discussion went around whether it should be postponed until next year or cancelled. This was going to be the final Jungle Days event. If Hamburg wants to hold it next year it could be entertained. Hamburg would be open to hosting next year but they are also open to cancelling the event. PDG Diana Kroells made a motion that if by July 1st there has been no interest in the event the event be cancelled and last year would be the last year of the event. Seconded by DGE Anna Wickenhauser. The lowest number to hold the event would need to be 12 four somes.**MC.**

- **District Bird Pin:** 1st VDGE Kaufmann made a motion to bring the Bird Pin discussion off the table from the October meeting. Seconded by DGE Anna Wickenhauser. Motion came off the table and discussion followed. Many members do not know what the bird pins even are. Many of the newer members are not understanding of the history of the pins but the historical members may be interested in continuing this tradition. A middle ground might be to make them optional. Additional pin sales have been low in recent years. The original motion was to discontinue the bird pins. That is the motion that needed to be voted on. **MC.**

New Business: None this meeting.

Zone Reports: DG Brian Thies

Zone 1: Lion Jan Sebesta – No report submitted.

Zone 2: Lion Deb Koehnen – Zone 2 is at 470 members – a drop of 16 members for the year. She did not visit 2 of the clubs last year as the meetings with Mayer and Chanhassen had been scheduled and then the COVID-19 outbreak occurred. She will be in the 2nd year of my role as Zone 2 chair and looking forward to visiting all of the clubs in some form during the 2020-2021 Lions year.

Zone 3: Lion Chuck Toltzman – My report for the end of this unusual year is really of promise. Through the many changes that we have had to make in order to keep up with meetings and keep doing the service projects that we as Lions do, it has been challenging to say the least. But the Zone 3 clubs have still been serving their communities with things like fish fries (before the stay at home order) to feeding the needy, cleaning roadside ditches, holding Easter egg hunts with social distancing and operating food libraries after the stay at home order was issued. These are just a few of the things Zone 3 Clubs have been doing. I am very proud to be a part of Zone 3.

The last Club assessment that I have seen shows that Zone 3 has increased 11 members. But have dropped 15, so that leaves the Zone with 4 members down, for a total of 282 members. Hopefully next year will be a lot better. The Zone does have a couple of clubs that have not turned anything in the last few months so that could change.

I have been very grateful to be the Zone 3 Chairperson for this year. Many changes had to be made in order to conduct the business of the Zone. A lot of these changes were good. We were able to be Lions and even in the face of adversity projects were being conducted and even when new projects were needed, the Lions clubs stepped up and did them. These projects will probably continue for a long time. Even into the next few years. So, you see I feel that this is a report of promise. A promise for the next year and the year after that and many years after that. Lions cannot help but to “serve”. To serve our community for the betterment of the community. Thank you again! **“We Serve.”**

Zone 4: Lion Julie Beckius – Zone 4 has a total of 8 clubs and 397 members as of 6/12/20. This is a net gain of 8 members for the year. There is a potential of a few more changes as clubs update rosters in preparation for the next fiscal year and the first dues payment to LCI.

Notable Zone activities:

- Zone chair visited 2 clubs. (The clubs I wasn't able to visit was a result of meetings being cancelled due to COVID restrictions)
- Spring Zone meeting – held this on April 9th virtually through WebEX with club presidents, secretaries, and the DG leadership team. 7 of the 8 clubs participated.
 - Most spring activities and projects have been cancelled but the clubs are still trying to find ways to continue to serve in new ways keeping distance and health safety as a key focus.
- New things the clubs are exploring:
 - Virtual meetings
 - Social media communication uplifts

- Food Shelf and other drive-up donations and/or ways of distributing food to those in need
- Income is down due to cancelled projects and as a result of bars/restaurants being closed for the clubs that host gambling. Clubs are reviewing budgets and altering as needed.
- Clubs held officer elections virtually through email or mail ballots.
- Hamburg Lions received a shout-out from Governor Walz for their service in converting a ‘Little Library’ to a ‘Little Food Shelf’ for anyone that needs it! Great project and great PR for the Lions!

Zone 5: Lion Gerald Ziskovsky – As we end the crazy 2019-2020 Lion’s year in Zone 5 we are at +9 for the year, throughout the year we have dropped 18 members, but added 27 members to our clubs.

Veseli did a drive-up Easter bunny and clubs were meeting by virtual meetings. My Prior Lake club is now helping the first two Thursdays of the month during the farmers market (the little market that could), located at the Tractor supply parking lot every Thursday in Prior Lake.

On a personal note I would like to thank DG Brian and IPDG Diana for giving me the opportunity the last two years to represent first zone 3 and this year the new zone 5 as zone chair, I look forward to staying active on the board with DGE Anna as co-chair of the MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation with Lion Chuck of Zone 3. Thanks for the last year of ups and downs, I believe this year has made us stronger for the future.

Zone 6: Lion Mary Pegram – Membership total-267

- **Eagle Lake** - 27 members: We have changed our meetings to 'Zoom' meetings so we are able to have our meetings while in our homes. Between that and email, we have been able to get everything accomplished that is needed at this time. Due to the pandemic, many things have been pushed out or are on hold.
- **Lake Crystal** - 42 members: Events postponed/cancelled
- **LeCenter** - 38 members: Events postponed/cancelled
- **LeSueur** - 51 members: we have had two meetings using GO TO Meeting. This week we are having our meeting in one of our parks. We have had a small parade for nursing home and senior living. We have limited our donations to our zipcode. We bought items for senior living centers--tv trays, UNO games, playing cards. greeting cards, jigsaw puzzles. Possibility of fundraisers --Giant celebration--much scaled back--but looking at old car parade and music in the park with food/beverage stands. Pioneer Power is still on-as of now--we have a food stand and run the beer stand--not sure how this will work--or if it will even happen. We will be able to sell Christmas trees and run our raffle. We are also exploring a drive-in movie scenario and a soaker run—not fund raisers but community events
- **Mankato** - 17 members: This week will be our 3rd attempt at a Zoom meeting. Many have had technical & connectivity issues. In person events cancelled.
- **Mankato Key City** - 10 members: Pioneer Power event cancelled
- **Mankato Sunrise** - 28 members: Civic Center events postponed or cancelled
- **St. Peter** - 54 members: Events postponed/cancelled

Zone 7: Lion Troy Wetzel – 8 clubs with a total membership of 216 members.

People Served	People Served Per Member	Service Activities	Volunteer Hours
12,480	57	61	1,874

Recent Club Activities

- Amboy: Other service activity noted (no description).
- Blue Earth: Donation to Leader Dogs, donation to MN Vision Foundation, donation to 5M2 Hearing Foundation, donation to LCIF, brought glasses to the Winter convention, donation to 5M2 Diabetes Foundation, held a breakfast brunch fundraiser, ditch clean-up, held pancake supper for residents at St. Luke’s Lutheran Care Center, assisted in distributing food at the Faribault County Food Shelf, donation to Kid Sight, donation for Journey for Service
- Minnesota Lake: Other service activity noted (no description)
- New Richland: No activity recorded.
- Waseca: No activity recorded.

- Waterville: Assisted as elves for Santa's Workshop, donated to all the foundations for the Parade of Green, donated glassed at the Mid-Winter Convention, ditch clean-up, pancake breakfast (drive through),
- Wells: No activity recorded.
- Winnebago: Participated in the Polar Plunge, collected cans for fundraising.

Zone 8: Lion Meg Tibodeau – We were able to end with the same number of members in Zone 8 that we started with—248.

She has talked with most of the clubs in zone 8 and they are meeting via zoom, or meeting at members houses. There are a few with members in the risk group and so they have not met as a club just for the board meetings. Scholarships have been given without the benefit of a banquet. Clubs are rethinking the fundraising aspect.

Due to the COVID – 19 situation she was not able to finish my club visits with 2 clubs, Owatonna and Ellendale.

DG Brian has found an upside to the COVID-19 online meetings. Some clubs are thinking in the winter they would continue to have online meetings for snow birds to participate. Some clubs are delivering food instead of cooking meals for everyone. They need to cook their own meals but the food is delivered. Many other activities are happening

Cabinet Reports: DG Brian Thies facilitated.

Can Do Canines: Lions Andrea and Tony Oldenburg had no report submitted. Lion Kathleen Bleckeberg reported that since last cabinet meeting she had one club visit scheduled to Waterville's 75th anniversary party in April. The party was postponed until later this year. Due to COVID-19 nothing is happening. Will see post COVID.

Constitution & By-Laws: PDG Steve Wasserman – Thanked DG Brian for providing him the opportunity to serve as 5M2 Constitution and Bylaws Chair for the 2019-2020 Lions' Year.

Goals for 2019-2020:

- ❖ Review the 5M2 Constitution and By-Laws for compliance with International Constitution, By-Laws, and Policy Manual.
 - Constitution and Bylaws were reviewed for compliance with LCI Standards
- ❖ Prepare and present any necessary changes for adoption at the 2020 5M2 District Convention.
 - Constitutional and Bylaw amendments were prepared and presented at the District Convention that bring our documents into compliance with LCI standards and 5M2 practices.

District Activities: PDG Eunice Rucks and Lion Rose Thies: Memorial service was held at 5M2 convention in February 2020. Waiting for decision from DGE Anna if she chooses to have a Bird Pin for year 2020-2021. Will order if she wants them. PDG Eunice continues to encourage individuals to forward names of recently deceased club members to her.

Environment: Lion Gary Koch – No report.

GLT: PDG Nancy Mathwig reported the Global Leadership Team updates since the February Cabinet meeting:

1. Our first ever, virtual Spring Officer Training was held on Sunday, May 17th via Zoom meeting. Fifty-five Lions attended the session, which included a general session with DGE Anna and breakout sessions for President/Vice Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers. A summary of the post-training evaluation survey will be in the July newsletter. Thank you to all who attended and for your patience as we moved to a new way of meeting with our members. Watch for additional training opportunities in the upcoming district newsletters!

2. 2020-2021 Zone Chair training was held on Wednesday, April 29th via Go to Webinar, led by 1st VDGE Glenn and DGE Anna.
3. Northern Pride Lions Forum, scheduled for March 27 & 28, 2020 in St Cloud, MN was cancelled and has been rescheduled for October 30th and 31st. Watch for additional information in upcoming newsletters.
4. The USA Canada Leadership Forum in Louisville, KY in September is still scheduled at this time. A decision on holding or cancelling is to be made in mid-June.
5. Mentorship program – Remind your clubs to check out the district mentorship program on the district website under Forms and Applications.

GLT Orientation: PDG Joan Blank and Lion Christy Trutnau – “The Magic of Service” was presented at 8:00 AM on Saturday morning, February 15th at the Mid-Winter Convention. Lions Christy Trutnau and Joan Blank presented this event in hopes of drawing newer Lions and their sponsors to attend the Mid-Winter Convention. We were able to fill the room with 50 participants, but there were very few new Lions/sponsors. We presented an overview of the structure of Lions, highlighting the Lion Foundations in MN. We also had PID Debra Wasserman speak on behalf of LCIF, Lion Tom McCarthy on behalf of MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation and Lion Christy spoke on behalf of the MN Lions Vision Foundation.

In summary, we had 16 different clubs represented. There were 14 Lions registered who have been Lions for less than 3 years, with 3 of those being new members in the last year. There were 2 Lions who have been Lions for 3 or more years. There were 25 Lions who have been a member for 10 plus years. One Lion has been a member for 52 years. We should have had an evaluation at the end of the session for feedback, but we did not think of that. We did hear that people were upset they were not allowed in the room to attend as they did not know they had to sign up in advance.

GMT: PDG Marvin Grimm – No report.

GST: Lion Dar Mondor – Date to remember for our great opportunity to help feed many, many people – **Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) date is Tuesday, October 20, 2020.** If you were registered for a session in April then you will be automatically be registered for the same session in Oct. If you haven't registered and would like to for the October session, please just follow the registration information to register for any of the three sessions either individually or as a club have been listed in the current newsletter and will also be listed in future newsletters. If you would rather, you can let me know and I will register you or your club since I'm a group leader.

I recently was notified by Jocelin Reynolds, activities director for Camp Sweet Life, that this camp scheduled for August has been canceled due to COVID-19. They are notifying any participants and their parents.

Update on my diabetes kit idea for our area schools and busses. Right now these kits are on hold until I get more information from our schools for the coming school year. Since some of the items in the kits have an expiration date, this idea may have to wait until next year, but not sure at this point. Will be working with Robin Jordan who is my contact person to see if any of the camp vendors will supply some of our items for these kits for free.

Looking outside of the box for service projects that could be used by all during this crazy time and please share any ideas that are working in your clubs.

If you are having problems recording your activities on MyLion there is a YouTube program that shows you step by step instructions and I believe there is a power point program available, however I'm here to help just contact me.

Historian: PDG Nancy Mathwig – Award categories on the Historian website have been updated with the assistance of 1VDGE Glenn Kaufmann.

At this time, no additional updates have been made to the Historian page on the District 5M2 website.

Journey for Service: PDG Mike Vos – The rescheduled Journey for Service is to be held on June 17, 18, and 19th. Planning on a fun and safe Journey.

LCIF: PID Debra Wasserman – Year-end report on LCIF goals set by DG Brian.

1. 100% of clubs in District 5M2 will understand impact of LCIF and demonstrate support with a donation to LCIF by June 30, 2020.
 - a. Monthly articles appeared in the newsletter on timely topics and information about LCIF.
 - b. DG Brian or I spoke about LCIF at District meetings when the opportunity was presented.
 - c. Several LCIF presentations took place during the Midwinter Convention.
 - d. An LCIF display table was at the Convention (Included candy).
 - e. A “Change for Change” jug was at the registration table during the Convention. (Raised \$13.)
 - f. Campaign 100 pledge cards were at each place at the Sunday brunch.
 - g. I sought invitations to present a program about LCIF at club meetings.
 - h. Personal contact was made with clubs that did not donate during the Parade of Green.
2. Promote members giving \$2 each week to Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service.
 - a. Several District newsletters included information and examples of this concept.
 - b. Club presentations included the concept.
3. District 5M2 will raise \$30,000.00 during fiscal year 2019-2020 to support Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service.
 - a. As of June 12, 2020, total donations to LCIF were \$34,663.71. Every club is credited with a donation.

A message from LCIF Chairperson Gudrun Yngvadottir

International President Choi, Campaign International Chairperson Dr. Yamada, Campaign International Vice Chairperson Moore and I are announcing that the timeline for Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service has been extended by one additional year, through June 30, 2022. We must give ourselves the time necessary to realize our full potential in this campaign, for the future of Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF).

We remain optimistic and action-oriented in the face of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. As of June 11, 2020, LCIF has granted over \$4.5 million dollars through 273 grants to provide immediate relief to communities severely impacted by COVID-19. We encourage you to stay connected to the work of your foundation. You can visit LCIF’s dedicated COVID-19 response page to learn how our foundation is responding.

Leader Dogs for the Blind: Co-Chairs Lions Loretta Klenke and Emmy Koch: Leader Dog is in Michigan and Michigan has had many COVID 19 cases and working on opening as a state.

Leader Dog placed all their employees to work from home contacting clients VIA phone, email, or video calls. Leader Dog is open only for Veterinary services. All tours, classes and on campus events are suspended until further notice per Guidelines of the State of Michigan.

Leader Dog has a fundraiser currently running that donations would be doubled by unknown donor. Leader Dog is optimistic about the future and awaits to welcome new clients and puppies.

LEO Clubs: Lion Hilary Wickenhauser: The Cologne Leos have started up their Reading in the Park program. The program looks a bit different than it has in previous years, but they recently held a “Book Walk” partnering with the Carver County Library. They have also been maintaining their flower planter in Cologne.

The Watertown Leos have been busy making and donating masks around their community. In March they also held a donation drive for Cat Tales Rescue and raised over \$900 dollars for the local organization.

The other clubs have suspended their work since they are primarily school-based and are not active in the summer.

The Shakopee Leo club is considering disbanding or looking for new advisors to support the Leos.

As of now, the MD5M Leo Leadership Conference is still happening and is scheduled for November 6th-8th at Camp Friendship in Annandale, and the cost for attending camp has been raised from \$125 to \$130 for Leos.

Liberty Day: Lion Denny Hewitt and Lion Dave Sebesta reported that there was nothing happening with Liberty Day during the closing of schools because of the COVID 19 and now summer vacation. They will be contacting the Clubs that have been participation in the Liberty Day Program in the past and also with the new Club Presidents when they take office to tell of the Program. They have a few booklets left so they will do a count before ordering more for next year.

Lions Quest: Lions Janet Knakmuhs and Janet Hall – We didn't get any visits completed for Spring because of COVID-19. Going to try and connect with those clubs here shortly. Thanks to DG Brian for allowing them to serve on his cabinet.

Long Range Planning: PDG Harry Klenke – Planning has become a task now days. Our clubs have had to cancel many of our things and reevaluate what we want to do and how we can do them. Our leadership has done what I think has been a fine job with all the obstacles thrown at them. Stick to your long range plans and things will work out.

Mid-Winter Convention: Lion Brian Rykus and Lion Lori Klein – No report.

MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation, Inc.: Lion Tom McCarthy and Lion Sandy Schneider–Since our matching funds fundraising campaign started, District 5M2 has raised over \$22,000 toward our \$100,000 goal! With the match, that means our District has accounted for over \$66,000 to be donated to the University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital for research and services for survivors of childhood cancer and the continuing health issues they face as they become adults.

We have reached our goal of \$100,000 for this Lions year! A "big check" presentation was scheduled for July 16 at the University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital, but with the Covid-19 situation, it is unlikely the event will be held.

Lion Sandy Schneider has resigned as a director of the MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation. I want to express my appreciation for her dedication to this important project – especially in selling out our lapel pins at the Midwinter Convention! DGE Anna has found two wonderful people to represent 5M2 for next year: Lions Chuck Tolzman and Gerald Ziskovsky! (I also will step down at the end of June, though I do expect to remain as the Secretary-Treasurer of the Foundation for the next year.)

The Foundation has just completed its "virtual" head-shave fund-razor, Shave for the Brave. While we did not have a brave shaver in 5M2, the idea originated with DGE Anna! As of this writing, over \$17,000 has been raised for the Minnesota Foundation, and the Canadian Foundation has also raised significant sums. Thanks to all who have donated!

Lapel pins were reordered, but they are manufactured in China! The factory was shut down for at least a couple of weeks due to the Coronavirus outbreak. We have received another order, and I am very sad that I cannot sell them to the cabinet at this meeting at \$5 apiece.

The University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital is NOT ACCEPTING blankets or pillowcases at this time, due to the coronavirus pandemic! I know that 5M2 has blanket ready to be shipped (as do Patty and I!) and I will let you know when the Hospital will again accept them.

The hospital is in serious need of homemade face masks and ear protectors (the latter made with a 3D printer). If any Lion or Club is interested, let me know and I'll get the patterns and directions.

We are awaiting confirmation from the 2021 Multiple Convention Committee that the Childhood Cancer Foundation will share the Raffle Room with the Diabetes Foundation at the raffle. We have been in contact with the Diabetes Foundation and they appear to be fine, even excited, about the opportunity to work together on this.

Also waiting to hear from the Convention Committee about a speaker on childhood cancer. We have put in a request for one of the excellent physicians at the University of Minnesota for this event.

Be sure to check out the Childhood Cancer Foundation Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/MN-Lions-Childhood-Cancer-Foundation-106271427419671/?modal=admin_todo_tour. Let us know of any club activities involving childhood cancer, with photos, if you have them. We'd love to include them on the FB page!

The Internal Revenue Service has received the Foundation's application for a 501(c)(3) designation. We expect (read, hope) that a decision will be made before the end of 2020. The University of Minnesota Foundation has provided a workaround - contact Tom for a memo on the proper procedure to make the donation and get credit toward your Lions donation.

We are looking for comments and suggestions, so if you have any, please do not hesitate to contact Lion Tom.

MN Lions Diabetes Foundation: Lion Brian Rykus and Lion Wanda Breimhorst – COVID has kept MLDF pretty quiet. The Foundation had a virtual quarterly meeting that went quite well. Planning for the State Fair was on the agenda. Since then the fair has been canceled so the planning will be on hold.

Lion Wanda and Lion Brian will be attending the quarterly Trustees' meeting July 24-25 in Roseville, MN. We are looking forward to seeing the trustees in person. New Trustees will be introduced and welcomed to the Team at this meeting. A joint dinner meeting with the Vision and Hearing foundations is scheduled for the 24th.

MN Lions Hearing Foundation: Lion Vern Breamer, PDG Marvin Grimm: We have been shut down because of the COVID-19 virus so we have nothing to report. However we are ready to get back to a more normal life and visit some clubs soon!

MD5M Lions KidSight Foundation: PDG Harry Klenke and Lion Pam Koehnen: Kidsight is on hiatus. Our Foundation Board voted to shut down when the Governor said we should socially distance. We thought it was especially important for our Lions to keep safe, as many of our screeners are the older Lions of our clubs. We will resume when we feel it is safe to do so. Our Foundation Board will follow guidelines from our District Governors. We will offer training when we resume.

MN Lions Vision Foundation: PDG Mary Spille and Lion Christy Trutnau – No report submitted.

Newsletter Editor: Lion Cindy Walters - We have started to use constant contact to email the newsletter directly to all members, not expecting secretaries and presidents to share with members. Opening rate of the email is in the 50%. Please remind members to look for the newsletter in their emails and open for information regarding our District. Please direct any feedback pro or con to her directly, 5m2newslettereditor@gmail.com. Thank you.

Project New Hope: Chair Lion Darlene Wondra reported that they have a retreat at the Ironwood Springs in Stewartville, the end of September; also have a retreat first weekend of December at Inspiration Point Camp, Clitheral, MN

Several Lions sewed hundreds of cloths masks for Veterans in the Minnesota Veterans homes which were much appreciated,

She will be lining up club visits that were cancelled.

Protocol/Public Relations: PDGs Tom and Mary Ferleman - They are available to answer protocol questions from Lions and Lions Clubs. They have nothing else to report at this time.

Lion Troy Feltmann reported that the new retractors are made. He has them. He is going to get them to Tom and Mary the next time they meet.

There have been a few clubs signed up to use the kits, but no events happened and the kits were not used.

Special Olympics: PDG Joan Blank, Lion Doni McQuiston, Lion Elizabeth Truman – Due to the COVID 19 pandemic, there has been no activity regarding Special Olympics.

Thank you, DG Brian for allowing me to serve this past year as a Special Olympics Co-Chair and for your great leadership!

Technology: PDG Steve Wasserman – Thanked DG Brian for providing him the opportunity to serve as Technology Coordinator during the 2019-2020 Lions' Year.

Progress on Goals for 2019-2020:

- ❖ Work with 2nd VDG Glenn to keep the District Website up to date.
 - The website has been kept up to date as new material has been provided. The District Newsletter has been posted
- ❖ Work with other 5M2 Lions to ensure the District Facebook Page is active and appropriate.
 - The Facebook page has been active, with a total of 637 followers and total reach of 1418 people over the last 28 days.
- ❖ Distribute the District Newsletter in a timely fashion.
 - Prior to the use of Constant Contact, the newsletter was emailed to a list of 347 Lions within the district.
- ❖ Assist the DG Team and Cabinet members with distribution of information as needed.
 - Various requests to send out information to club presidents, secretaries and/or the district cabinet were completed as requested.
- ❖ Encourage clubs to elevate their social media presence, use of the MyLion App and LCI Club Detail Page.
 - This was carried out through attendance at fall zone meetings and through articles in the newsletter.
- ❖ Work with the DG Team and Cabinet to develop a data practices policy.
 - A Data Practices/Privacy Policy was developed and added to the District Policy Manual.
- ❖ Other duties as requested by the DG Team or Cabinet.
 - Requests were completed as received.

Write Off: Lion Deb Koehnen – All 3 of the finalists read their essays at the Mid-Winter Convention. The 1st place winner went to Abigail Gruber, Zone 1, Silver Lake Lions. Second place went to Aanika Doheny, Zone 4, Jordan Lions, and third place went to Loren Foley, Zone 2, Watertown Lions. She will be the chairperson for this event for the 2020-2021 Lions year and will be sending information to club presidents and zone chairs near the end of August.

Youth Exchange/Youth Camp: Lion Jim Walters reported that due to COVID-19 the program has been cancelled for summer 2020. The youth that have been accepted will have the option to attend next year if that works for them and their families. Thanks to everyone who supports this valuable International Program.

Youth Outreach/LCI Essay Contest: PID Debra Wasserman no report at the present time.

Youth Outreach/Peace Poster: Co-Chairpersons are Lion Paula Stevens and Lion Shirley Hesperheide – No report at this time.

Comments:

- PID Debra Wasserman – Speechless at this time. We still have a need to serve. She mentioned the passing of Jack Webster also.
- 2nd VDGE Kathleen Bleckeberg – Looking forward to working on the Dream Team next year. Congrats to CC Elect Brian!!!
- 1st VDGE Glenn Kaufmann – Still working on growing the clubs that are struggling. Looking forward to next year.
- DGE Anna Wickenhauser – Dream Team is ready to serve. She is looking forward to being DG July 1.
- DG Brian Thies – The District will be in good hands next year. We will be fine once we get passed this goofy COVID nonsense. He thanked everyone for serving on the Cabinet, particularly PDG

Marvin Grimm for stepping in after PID Maynard passed away. Thanks for stepping up to the challenge and making the best of our year.

Adjournment:

DG Brian Thies adjourned the meeting at 8 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted – Lion Cindy Walters

Upcoming Cabinet Meetings:

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**Lions International District 5M2
 Balance Sheet
 As of June 12, 2020**

	Jun 12, 20
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking	43,178.59
Money Market	
Activities Youth	12,977.45
Adult Companion	717.27
Diabetes	10,080.19
District Conventions	-1,113.19
Interest Income	2,908.21
International Convention	1,403.23
Journey For Service	8,309.55
Kid Sight	1,961.00
Light on for Life	1,455.48
Multiple Convention	3,303.69
Quest	41,199.31
Special Olympics	1,500.00
Youth Exchange	17,609.66
Money Market - Other	1,055.47
Total Money Market	103,367.32
Total Checking/Savings	146,545.91
Total Current Assets	146,545.91
TOTAL ASSETS	146,545.91
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	112,685.81
Unrestricted Net Assets	28,021.48
Net Income	5,838.62
Total Equity	146,545.91
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	146,545.91

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**Lions International District 5M2
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
July 1, 2019 through June 12, 2020**

Ordinary Income/Expense	Jul 1, '19 - Jun 12, 20	Budget
Income		
Activities Income		
Can Do Canines	0.00	0.00
Diabetes	4,045.00	0.00
Journey For Service- Income		
Journey For Service- 2020	0.00	0.00
Journey for Service-2017	0.00	0.00
Journey For Service-2018	0.00	0.00
Journey For Service-2019	0.00	11,400.00
Journey For Service- Income - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Journey For Service- Income	0.00	11,400.00
Kids Sight	0.00	950.00
Leader Dog	0.00	95.00
Lions Quest	0.00	0.00
Project New Hope	0.00	190.00
Special Olympics	0.00	570.00
Youth Activities	6,775.00	5,700.00
Youth Exchange	4,950.00	3,800.00
Activities Income - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Activities Income	15,770.00	22,705.00
Centennial Action Committee	0.00	0.00
Centennial Celebration	0.00	0.00
Diabetes Income	0.00	0.00
Dues		
District 5M2 Dues		
5M2 Administrative Fund	13,409.25	12,920.00
5M2 Adult Companion Fund	1,183.90	1,140.00
5M2 Intl Convention Fund	2,356.75	2,280.00
5M2 Special Fund-Mid Winter Con	3,281.60	3,135.00
District Club Bond	422.50	475.00
District Pins	1,640.00	1,710.00
District 5M2 Dues - Other	0.00	0.00
Total District 5M2 Dues	22,294.00	21,660.00
MD5M Dues		
GLT/GMT Training & Orientation	611.65	570.00
MD5M Administrative Fund	11,386.10	11,400.00
MD5M Campaign Fund	611.65	570.00
MD5M Convention Fund	1,176.25	1,140.00
MD5M GAF	1,364.72	1,710.00
MD5M International Parade Band	611.65	570.00
Multiple Excess Liability Ins	550.55	950.00
MD5M Dues - Other	0.00	0.00
Total MD5M Dues	16,312.57	16,910.00
Dues - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Dues	38,606.57	38,570.00
Fundraiser Income	0.00	0.00
GLT- Officer Training-Income	0.00	380.00
Governor Visits	0.00	0.00
Grants	0.00	0.00
Investments		
Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	867.08	570.00
Investments - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Investments	867.08	570.00
Kids Sight Income	0.00	0.00
Mid Winter Convention-payback	0.00	0.00
Misc Income		

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	Jul 1, '19 - Jun 12, 20	Budget
Pins Sold	17.00	0.00
Misc Income - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Misc Income	17.00	0.00
Project New Hope Bike A Thon	0.00	0.00
Quest Income	0.00	0.00
Youth Activities Income	0.00	0.00
Youth Exchange Income	0.00	0.00
Total Income	55,260.65	62,225.00
Expense		
Activities Expense		
Diabetes Expense	0.00	3,800.00
Environment	0.00	237.50
Journey For Service Exp 2018	0.00	475.00
Kids Sight Expense	933.42	950.00
Project New Hope Expense	0.00	0.00
Youth Activities Expense		
Essay Contest Expense	0.00	475.00
Leo Expense	1,587.56	5,130.00
Liberty Day Expense	2,531.44	2,280.00
Peace Poster Expense	826.83	950.00
Quest	3,217.04	0.00
Write Off	1,687.90	2,090.00
Youth Exchange Expense	5,000.00	3,800.00
Youth Activities Expense - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Youth Activities Expense	14,850.77	14,725.00
Activities Expense - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Activities Expense	15,784.19	20,187.50
Administrative Expenses	95.00	0.00
Cabinet Expenses		
GLT	119.14	617.50
GMT	665.00	617.50
GST	0.00	617.50
Meeting Expense	0.00	570.00
NAMI	0.00	0.00
Program Chairs	155.50	2,470.00
Secretary	0.00	95.00
Treasurer	0.00	95.00
Zone Chairs	337.50	2,565.00
Cabinet Expenses - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Cabinet Expenses	1,277.14	7,647.50
Capital Expenditures		
Equipment	0.00	950.00
Capital Expenditures - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Capital Expenditures	0.00	950.00
Contract Services		
Accounting Fees	1,097.00	1,140.00
Contract Services - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Contract Services	1,097.00	1,140.00
Contributions	0.00	0.00
Diabetes Expense	0.00	0.00
District Awards	480.85	712.50
District Supplies & Operating	436.88	1,425.00
Dues Expense		
District Dues Expense		
District-Governors Int Conv Fun	0.00	0.00

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	Jul 1, '19 - Jun 12, 20	Budget
District -Gov Spouse Int Conven	0.00	0.00
District Administrative Fund	0.00	0.00
District Adult Companion Fund	0.00	0.00
District Bond Expense	0.00	0.00
District Pins	0.00	0.00
District Special Fund	0.00	0.00
District Dues Expense - Other	0.00	0.00
Total District Dues Expense	0.00	0.00
MD5M Dues-Expense		
GLT/GMT Training Expense	585.51	950.00
MD5M Administrative Fund Expense	11,335.27	11,400.00
MD5M Campaign Fund Expense	585.51	570.00
MD5M Convention Fund Expense	1,171.00	1,140.00
MD5M GAF Fund Expense	1,077.32	1,140.00
MD5M Intl Parade Band Expense	585.51	570.00
MD5M Liability & Bond	1,265.08	950.00
MD5M Dues-Expense - Other	0.00	0.00
Total MD5M Dues-Expense	16,605.20	16,720.00
Dues Expense - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Dues Expense	16,605.20	16,720.00
Environmental Photo Expense	0.00	0.00
Fundraiser Expense	0.00	0.00
Grant Expense	0.00	0.00
IPDG Expense	0.00	237.50
Journey For Service Expense		
Journey 4 Service Expense 2019	0.00	11,400.00
Journey 4 Service Expense 2020	0.00	0.00
Journey For Service Expense - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Journey For Service Expense	0.00	11,400.00
Kids Sight expense	0.00	0.00
Mid Winter Convention	3,000.00	4,275.00
Newsletter	0.00	0.00
Officer Training- Expense	0.00	0.00
Payroll Expenses	0.00	0.00
Photo & Enviornment	0.00	0.00
Pins		
District Bird Pins	0.00	1,425.00
Governor Award Pins	786.65	475.00
Governor Pin	0.00	760.00
Multiple Pins-Snowman	0.00	475.00
Pins - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Pins	786.65	3,135.00
PNH-Expense	0.00	0.00
Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.00	0.00
Sunshine Fund	0.00	0.00
Travel Expenses		
1st Vice District Governor Expe		
1st VDG Expense Other	1,423.24	1,710.00
1st VDG Multiple Convention	0.00	950.00
1st VDG USA/Canada Forum Expens	1,500.00	1,425.00
1st Vice District Governor Expe - Other	0.00	0.00
Total 1st Vice District Governor Expe	2,923.24	4,085.00
2nd VDG Elect Expenses		
2nd VDG Elect Multiple Conventi	0.00	950.00
2nd VDG Elect Expenses - Other	23.90	0.00

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	Jul 1, '19 - Jun 12, 20	Budget
Total 2nd VDG Elect Expenses	23.90	950.00
2nd VDG Expense		
2nd VDG Expense-other	1,375.69	1,710.00
2nd VDG Multiple Convention Ex	0.00	950.00
2nd VDG USA/Canada Forum	1,500.00	1,425.00
2nd VDG Expense - Other	0.00	0.00
Total 2nd VDG Expense	2,875.69	4,085.00
District Governor Expense		
DG Adult Companion Fund-DGE	1,250.00	1,187.50
DG Expense Other	1,286.29	2,375.00
DG International Convention	0.00	2,375.00
DG USA/Canada Forum	1,500.00	1,425.00
District Governor Expense - Other	0.00	0.00
Total District Governor Expense	4,036.29	7,362.50
Travel Expenses - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Travel Expenses	9,859.12	16,482.50
Write Off	0.00	0.00
Total Expense	49,422.03	84,312.50
Net Ordinary Income	5,838.62	-22,087.50
Other Income/Expense		
Other Expense		
Ask My Accountant	0.00	0.00
Total Other Expense	0.00	0.00
Net Other Income	0.00	0.00
Net Income	<u>5,838.62</u>	<u>-22,087.50</u>

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**Lions International District 5M2
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July 2020 through June 2021**

	Jul '20 - Jun 21	Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Activities Income		
Diabetes	0.00	4,000.00
Journey For Service- Income		
Journey For Service- 2020	0.00	15,000.00
Journey For Service-2019	0.00	0.00
Total Journey For Service- Income	0.00	15,000.00
Kids Sight	0.00	1,000.00
Leader Dog	0.00	0.00
Lions Quest	0.00	0.00
Project New Hope	0.00	0.00
Special Olympics	0.00	0.00
Youth Activities	0.00	8,000.00
Youth Exchange	0.00	5,000.00
Total Activities Income	0.00	33,000.00
Dues		
District 5M2 Dues		
5M2 Administrative Fund	0.00	11,970.00
5M2 Adult Companion Fund	0.00	1,050.00
5M2 Intl Convention Fund	0.00	2,100.00
5M2 Special Fund-Mid Winter Con	0.00	2,940.00
District Club Bond	0.00	425.00
District Pins	0.00	1,600.00
Total District 5M2 Dues	0.00	20,085.00
MD5M Dues		
GLT/GMT Training & Orientation	0.00	504.00
MD5M Administrative Fund	0.00	10,164.00
MD5M Campaign Fund	0.00	504.00
MD5M Convention Fund	0.00	1,050.00
MD5M GAF	0.00	966.00
MD5M International Parade Band	0.00	504.00
Multiple Excess Liability Ins	0.00	606.00
Total MD5M Dues	0.00	14,298.00
Total Dues	0.00	34,383.00
GLT- Officer Training-Income	0.00	400.00
Investments		
Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	0.00	600.00
Total Investments	0.00	600.00
Mid Winter Convention-payback	0.00	1,796.93
Misc Income		
Pins Sold	0.00	0.00
Total Misc Income	0.00	0.00
Total Income	0.00	70,179.93
Expense		
Activities Expense		
Diabetes Expense	0.00	4,000.00
Environment	0.00	250.00
Journey For Service Exp 2018	0.00	0.00
Kids Sight Expense	0.00	1,000.00
Youth Activities Expense		
Essay Contest Expense	0.00	500.00
Leo Expense	0.00	5,000.00
Liberty Day Expense	0.00	2,500.00
Peace Poster Expense	0.00	1,000.00

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	Jul '20 - Jun 21	Budget
Write Off	0.00	2,200.00
Youth Exchange Expense	0.00	4,000.00
Total Youth Activities Expense	0.00	15,200.00
Activities Expense - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Activities Expense	0.00	20,450.00
Administrative Expenses	0.00	0.00
Cabinet Expenses		
GLT	0.00	650.00
GMT	0.00	650.00
GST	0.00	650.00
Meeting Expense	0.00	600.00
NAMI	0.00	650.00
Program Chairs	0.00	2,400.00
Secretary	0.00	100.00
Treasurer	0.00	100.00
Zone Chairs	0.00	2,400.00
Total Cabinet Expenses	0.00	8,200.00
Capital Expenditures		
Equipment	0.00	1,000.00
Total Capital Expenditures	0.00	1,000.00
Contract Services		
Accounting Fees	0.00	1,200.00
Total Contract Services	0.00	1,200.00
District Awards	0.00	600.00
District Supplies & Operating	0.00	1,200.00
Dues Expense		
MD5M Dues-Expense		
GLT/GMT Training Expense	0.00	592.00
MD5M Administrative Fund Expense	0.00	10,164.00
MD5M Campaign Fund Expense	0.00	504.00
MD5M Convention Fund Expense	0.00	1,277.50
MD5M GAF Fund Expense	0.00	966.00
MD5M Intl Parade Band Expense	0.00	504.00
MD5M Liability & Bond	0.00	600.00
Total MD5M Dues-Expense	0.00	14,607.50
Total Dues Expense	0.00	14,607.50
IPDG Expense	0.00	250.00
Journey For Service Expense		
Journey 4 Service Expense 2019	0.00	0.00
Journey 4 Service Expense 2020	0.00	15,000.00
Total Journey For Service Expense	0.00	15,000.00
Mid Winter Convention	0.00	4,500.00
Pins		
District Bird Pins	0.00	768.00
Governor Award Pins	0.00	800.00
Governor Pin	0.00	1,000.00
Multiple Pins-Snowman	0.00	500.00
Total Pins	0.00	3,068.00
Travel Expenses		
1st Vice District Governor Expe		
1st VDG Expense Other	0.00	1,800.00
1st VDG Multiple Convention	0.00	1,000.00

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	Jul '20 - Jun 21	Budget
1st VDG USA/Canada Forum Expens	0.00	1,500.00
Total 1st Vice District Governor Expe	0.00	4,300.00
2nd VDG Elect Expenses		
2nd VDG Elect Multiple Conventi	0.00	1,000.00
Total 2nd VDG Elect Expenses	0.00	1,000.00
2nd VDG Expense		
2nd VDG Expense-other	0.00	1,800.00
2nd VDG Multiple Convention Ex	0.00	1,000.00
2nd VDG USA/Canada Forum	0.00	1,500.00
Total 2nd VDG Expense	0.00	4,300.00
District Governor Expense		
DG Adult Companion Fund-DGE	0.00	1,250.00
DG Expense Other	0.00	2,500.00
DG International Convention	0.00	2,500.00
DG USA/Canada Forum	0.00	1,500.00
Total District Governor Expense	0.00	7,750.00
Total Travel Expenses	0.00	17,350.00
Total Expense	0.00	87,425.50
Net Ordinary Income	0.00	-17,245.57
Net Income	0.00	-17,245.57