



**Arkansas Lions MD-7
Council of Governors Elect
Teleconference Meeting
May 18, 2014**

Meeting Recap

Participants: Matt Webber, CCE
Bob DeVinney, DGE 7-L
Phyliss Fry, DGE 7-I
Angela Smith, DGE 7-O
Cody Snider, DGE-7-N

Guest(s): Wanda Barnett, State Secretary
1st VDGE Stan McDougal
1st VDGE Bill Hankins

This was the first meeting of the 2014-2015 Arkansas Lions Council of Governors, chaired by CCE Matt Webber.

The meeting was convened at 7:00 pm by CCE Matt Webber, followed by the prayer led by DGE Bob DeVinney.

New Business

- Election of Council Officers: A motion was made to elect the following officers. Motion passed.
- Secretary- Phyliss Fry, DGE
- Treasurer – Bob DeVinney, DGE
- Vice-Council Chair – Angela Smith, DGE
- Member – Cody Snider, DGE

- Appointment of State Chairperson: A motion was made by DGE Angela Smith to appoint the following MD7 chairpersons, seconded by DGE Cody Snider. Motion passed.

Financial/Audit Chair (7-I)..... Tom Lonon, PDG
Member (7-N)..... Libby Davenport
International Relations (7-L)..... Curtis Johnson, PDG
Internet Technology (7-I)..... Jennifer Carey, PCC
LCIF MD-7 Coordinator (7-L)..... Dave DeGraff, PCC (2015)
Leader Dogs for the Blind.....Darlene Wheelington, PCC
Liberty Day.....Matt Webber, CC
Lions Alert (7-I)Don Ellis
Lions State Pins (7-N)..... Wanda Barnett, PDG
Mid-Winter Forum General Chairperson (7-L).... John Collier
Host Club..... Hope
Parliamentarian and Credentials (7-0)..... Rich Fischer, PDG
Public Relations/Newsletter (7-I)..... Myrna McGee
Strategic Plan (7-0)..... Rich Fischer, PDG
State Convention (7-I)..... Julie Hixson-Wallace
CO-Chair.....
Member (7-0)..... 2nd VDGE Bill Levins
Host Club..... Searcy & Heber Springs

Opportunities for Youth

Leos (7-I)	Joe Paul James (2016)
Camps for the Blind (7-O).....	Norine Westerbeck, PDG
Lions Quest (7-L).....	Toni Shockley
CO-Chair.....	
Peace Poster (7-N).....	Matt Webber, CC
Youth Exchange.....	Art Ritter, PDG

DG James Griffin is in process of contacting two possible candidates for Lion Quest co-chair. CCE Matt will be meeting with Searcy Lions Club to plan the 2015 State Convention and work on convention committee. VDG Bill Hankins asked to attend the meeting. CCE Matt stated he would confirm date and time and would send email to everyone. DGE Angela Smith will request local clubs to partner with Searcy on this endeavor. DGE Bob DeVinney inquired about appointing the Constitution & By-Laws chair. CCE refer the question to 1st VDG Bill Hankins to explain; the Constitution & By-Laws committee members are voted on by each District at the annual State Convention. PCC Jeff Boone is the current Constitution & By-laws chair and his term will expired 2014.

- **District Report:** CCE Matt Webber stated that he would like to have a copy of the DGE Cabinets members, Goals and Meeting Dates. DGE Bob DeVinney asked for clarification on goals. CCE Matt Webber stated that he would like, at the very least, an overview of each DGE's goals for the upcoming year, but especially the membership-growth goals.

Dates of first District Cabinet meetings:

District 7-L August 2nd

District 7-I August 9th

District 7-O July 26th

District 7-N August 2nd

- **Club PU101's:** Lion Wanda Barnett thanked everyone for working hard on getting the PU101's submitted. She reported the status on Clubs with outstanding PU101's:

District 7-L - 16 outstanding,

District 7-I - 21 outstanding,

District 7-O - 14 outstanding

District 7-N - 5 outstanding.

Lion Wanda Barnett asked each DGE to check the information reported for accuracy, some reports have missing information. CCE Matt Webber encouraged the District Governors-Elect to enlist your District Team to help clubs submit the PU101's for 2014-15. Lion Barnett will be sending updates to the DGE.

- **State Directory:** Lion Wanda stated that the Arkansas Lions State Directory was printed by the Arkansas Department of Correction. DGE Bob DeVinney stated that he liked the 2013-14 directories & recommends using the Arkansas Department of Correction. Lion Wanda Barnett stated last year's cost was \$1.57 each. Lion Wanda Barnett reported on the amount of directories, which had been ordered the past two years. Request number of directories for each district:

DGE Bob DeVinney requested 100,

DGE Phyliss Fry - 140,

DGE Angela Smith - 70,

DGE Cody Snider - 70,

and 15 additional for State Office.

- **State Pins:** Lion Wanda Barnett stated that we had only 58 of the Glen Campbell state pins leftover & that we had sold all the prestige pins. Secretary Barnett reported that 700 (Glen Campbell) state pins & 400 prestige pins were order last year. She recommended that the state pins be reduced to 650. A motion was made by DGE Angela Smith to order 650 of the 2015 (Mark Martin) State Pins and 400 of the Prestige pin, seconded by DGE Phyliss Fry. Motion passed. Recognition Service has given us a quote of \$1.05 on the 2015 (Mark Martin) State pin. DGE Angela Smith expressed that we need to allow for the VDGE: 50 state pins & 25 prestige pins to take with them to 2015 International Convention.
- **International Convention:** a brief discussion was held on 2014 International Convention. CCE Matt Webber urged everyone to submit the delegation form & to exercise their right to vote. He request that the DGE's elect sit together during the final plenary session – oath of office swearing in. Lion Barnett will request a list of currently registered-attendees to 2014 Intentional Convention.
- **District Conventions:**
 District 7-L will be held on October 31th - November 1st @ Clarion on Lake Hamilton, Hot Springs
 District 7-I will be held on October 17th -18th @ Antioch Baptist Church, Conway
 District 7-O will be held on September 27th @ ASU Campus, Heber Springs
 District 7-N will be held on November 21st-22nd @ Carlisle Civic Center, Carlisle
- **Mid-Winter Leadership Forum:** Hope, AR – February 6th and 7th, 2015
 A brief discussion was held on holding the DGE Training, held in conjunction with Mid Winter Leadership Forum. CCE Matt will express the pro & cons with incoming MD-7 GLT, Leanna Rich.
- **State Convention:** Searcy, Arkansas (date & location not yet determined)
- **International Committee:**
 - District 7-L Maxine Crittenden
 - District 7-I Diane Archer
 - District 7-O Bill Hankins
 - District 7-N Stan McDougal

CCE Matt requested that they elect the chair for the year 2014-2015 and report to him the chair. 1st VDGE Stan McDougal to contact others & determine Chairperson for this committee. He is to report this information to CCE Matt & to State Secretary Wanda.

- **Miscellaneous Items:**
 DGE Bob DeVinney inquired when the budget would be approved. CCE Matt replied that the budget would be approved at the August 30th council meeting.

Lion Wanda Barnett stated that she would need information on DGE Bob DeVinney & CCE Matt Webber for signatures on the checking account & the surety bond. Both are to submit copies of appropriate documents to the State Office as soon as possible.

DGE Bob DeVinney inquired on the dates of Council meeting. CCE Matt reported that he would hold four councils meeting face-to-face (1) August 30th, (2) one will be held in conjunction with 1 of the 4 district conventions (TBD), (3) Mid-Winter and (4) 2015 State Convention.

CCE Matt Webber congratulated the DGE's and wished them Good Luck for a successful year. He stated he was honored to serve as Council Chair.

- **Next Council Meeting:** August 30th at World Service for the Blind (Little Rock)

Hearing no other business, a motion was made by DGE Bob DeVinney & seconded by DGE Phyliss Fry to adjourned the meeting at 8:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

PDG Wanda Barnett, Acting Secretary

Action Items:

- CCE Matt will follow up on State Chairs.
- DGE Stan will discuss with other committee members to name International Convention Chair.
- Lion Barnett will follow up on list of Arkansas Lions attending International Convention.
- CCE Matt, DGE Bob and Lion Barnett will get signatures for the checking accounts.