



Arkansas Lions MD-7

Council of Governors Meeting

October 25, 2019

Meeting Recap

Participants: Tracy Price, Council Chair
Claudia Griffin, District Governor 7-L
Kevin Baskin, District Governor 7-I
Brad Baker, District Governor 7-O

Guests: DGE Cleon Rogers, PDG Norm Moyer, PDG Mike Benefield, PCC Myrna McGee, PCC Jeff Boone, PDG Art Ritter, Sharon Giovinazzo and other Lions. Our special guest: International Vice President Haynes Townsend and his First Lady, Donna Townsend.

The second MD-7 Council Meeting for fiscal year 2019-2020 was held on October 25, 2019, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Jonesboro, AR. The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Council Chair Tracy Price. The invocation was given by DG Brad Baker and pledge led by DG Claudia Griffin.

Special remarks were made by International Vice President Townsend. He spoke briefly explaining that he was in a wheelchair as he had contracted Guillain-Barre syndrome while in Iceland, and then had flu, which left him paralyzed from the neck down. Was in hospital for 4 months and is in rehab therapy. Can now move legs and arms and is planning to be at full strength by International Convention in July He thanked Lions for all their service.

CC Price welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The minutes from the Council Meeting, August 5, 2019, were reviewed and approved. A motion was made by DG Brad seconded by DG Claudia to approve the minutes as presented. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

DG Kevin Baskin, Council Treasurer, provided the financial report as of September 30, 2019. A motion made to accept the reports as presented. Motion approved. A copy will be filed for audit.

Old Business:

Action Items from July 6, 2019 minutes were reviewed.

- CC Price asked for DGs to review the MD Strategic Plan and send any recommendations to PDG Rich Fischer. Rich gave a few remarks about the

Strategic and asked DGs to review their District Strategic Plan also

- SEPC Guide was rewritten by DG Claudia. CC Price asked DGs for comments. Motion for approval by DG Brad, seconded by DG Kevin.

New Business:

CC Price stated that Mid-Winter Leadership Forum events will be in Stuttgart-2020, Jonesboro - 2021, and Fayetteville-2022. State Convention will be in Little Rock for 2020. We need host for 2021 and 2022. The SEPC committee has been meeting regularly. Registration form is available and was given to DGs and all who desired one. The budget was presented to DGs.

The special speaker is John "Mickey" Spillane from Cabot. He is dynamic, inspirational and speaks about leadership. Mickey's philosophically driven alter-ego is named HeySarge! HeySarge was born 25 years ago when Mickey realized that leadership really mattered if you ever wanted to get anybody else to do anything of significance. In a nut shell, HeySarge believes that great leadership can do anything...anything... including changing the world!

State Convention planning will begin in November.

Committee Reports/District Governor's Report

GMT: James Griffin, PDG

PDG Griffin reported on membership from all four districts. Reported Clubs that District Membership Chairs said were in need of help in their Districts

State Office: Wanda Green, PDG

Was given by CC Tracy. Reminded that dates for MD awards to be sent into State Office is March 1. Nomination forms are on MD 7 web site. All Clubs have their dues paid.

Youth Exchange: Norm Moyer, PDG

PDG Norm Moyer gave an overview of the Youth Exchange Program. Requirements for MDs, Districts, and Clubs in regards to students coming to AR and going to other countries. Encouraged Lions to get the word out to schools and other Youth organizations. Stated that he was available for programs for their Clubs all over the MD.

Remarks from CC Price: Council Chair Tracy reported that as of the end of September, our MD membership is +10. CC Tracy thanked all who had attended the Council Meeting.

District report were given: DG Claudia Griffin, DG Kevin Baskin, DG Brad Baker and DG Kandy Cayce.

Dates for Council Meeting: Dates set for 2019-20 Council Meetings: February 7, and May 1, 2020

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

PCC Myrna McGee, Acting Council Secretary

PDG Wanda Green, State Secretary

Action Items:

1. Council to secure dates for MD7 State Events (State Convention)
2. Submit Mid-winter Leadership Registration form to State Office and MD7 website
3. State Awards due date March 1, 2020
4. Submit revised SEPD to State Office and MD7 website
5. DGs to submitted goals/comments on the Strategy Plan to PDG Rich