



**Arkansas Lions MD-7
Council of Governors Meeting
April 28, 2017**

Meeting Recap

Participants: Bill Hankins, Council Chair
John Collier, District Governor 7-L
Bill Levins, District Governor 7-O
Barbara Williams, District Governor 7-N

Guests:, DGE Bobby McMillion, DGE Myrna McGee, DGE Larry Ketcham, DGE Larry Wilkerson, VDG Don Draper, VDG Rich Gordon, PCC Ken Swanson, PCC Matt Webber, PCC Earlene Hankins, Lion Patty O'Bannon, PDG Leanna Rich, PDG Maxine Crittenden, Lion Ron McCormick, Lion Elaine Cecil, Lion Jimmie Crittenden, Lion Dorothy Berry, PDG Art Ritter, Lion Shirley McGraw, PDG Rich Fischer, Lion Don Ellis, PDG Bill Johnston, Lion Nell Rockett, Lion Kandy Cayce, Lion Cleon Rogers, Lion Robert Maxwell, PDG Pat Snodgrass and PDG Wanda Barnett, State Secretary.
Special Guest: PIP Joe Preston.

The seventh MD-7 Council Meeting for fiscal year 2016-2017 was held on April 28, 2017, at the University of Arkansas Community College- Hempstead Hall, 2500 S. Main, Hope, Arkansas. The meeting was called to order at 3:11 p.m. by Council Chair Bill Hankins. The invocation was given by DG John Collier and pledge led by DG Barbara Williams.

The minutes from the February 18, 2017, meeting were reviewed and approved. A motion was made by DG John Collier and seconded by DG Barbara Williams to approve the minutes as presented. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

PDG Wanda Barnett, provided the financial report. A motion made to accept the report as presented. Motion approved. A copy will be filed for audit.

Old Business:

A discussion was held on Redistricting/Merging for MD7. DG John Collier stated that the incoming council will decide a review/study committee for 2018.

A discussion was held on regarding the Events Planning committee. The current policy will be used for future events. The incoming council will review policy and formally organize the committee.

Replacement of MD7 GLT: (No Action taken) The 2017-2018 Council will appoint the MD7 committees.

New Business: Committee Reports/District Governor's Report

Election of 2017-18 Council Chairperson. Ballots were distributed to DGE's and DG's and CC Bill. Following the vote, ballots were counted by PIP Joe Preston. The results of

the vote for Council Chair were presented. The Council Chair for 2017-18 will be DG John Collier.

Arkansas Lions State Office: PDG Wanda Barnett reminded everyone that we would be working on the directories and asked for everyone to help securing the PU101's from the clubs. PDG Mike Benefield will be taking picture tomorrow of the DGE's for the directory and website. PDG Wanda asked to meet with DGE's to brief them on the memorial service and presented the 2017 State Committee Chart to the chairs. The Parade banner was given to DGE Larry Ketcham for the Lions Clubs International parade to be held on July 1, 2017.

GLT: PDG Leanna Rich reported the Lions Mentoring Program was presented at the PDGA's meeting in Russellville. PDG Rich was thanked for doing an outstanding job as the MD7 Leadership Coordinator.

GMT: PDG Ken Swanson reports that the membership goals from the District Governors Elect appear achievable.

Lions Alert: Lion Don Ellis stated no events have been reported.

LCIF: PCC Matt Webber, reported that each club should appoint a LCIF representative.

State Convention : DG John Collier stated that we have 222 Lions registered for the convention.

Strategic Plans: PDG Rich Fischer stated he requested each District Governor to review the plan. The strategic plan is a five year plan and the incoming District Governor should review and made changes.

District Governor's Reports were given by DG John, Bill and Barbara.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm.

The Executive Session was canceled.

Respectfully submitted,

DG Barbara Williams, Secretary

Action Items:

1. Council to secure MD7 State Events for 2018 and 2019 and formally organize the committee.
2. Council to appoint the MD7 Committees for 2017-18.