

Arkansas Lions MD-7

Council of Governors Teleconference September 25, 2012

Meeting Recap

Participants: Jennifer Carey, CC

Claude Jamerson, DG 7-L Ken Swanson, DG 7-I Betty Payne, DG 7-O Leanna Rich, DG 7-N **Guest(s):** Wanda Barnett, State Secretary

1st VDG Norm Moyer 1st VDG Becky Callaway 1st VDG Matt Webber 2nd VDG Cody Snider PCC Earl Sears Lion Don Ellis

This was the fourth meeting of the 2012-2013 Arkansas Lions Council of Governors, chaired by CC Jennifer Carey. This meeting of the Council was held via teleconference on September 25, 2012.

The meeting was convened at approximately 5:04PM by CC Jennifer, the prayer was led by DG Ken Swanson.

DG Ken Swanson made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 27, 2012 meeting and DG Betty Payne seconded the motion. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Financial Reports

CC Jennifer Carey presented the monthly MD7 financial report. DG Ken Swanson made a motion to accept as presented, DG Leanna Rich seconded the motion. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Old Business

- The Russellville Lions club was mentioned as a possible host for the 2014 Mid-Winter Forum but has not been confirmed
- None of the Governors had received any volunteer host from their Districts as to a
 possible site for the 2016 State Convention.
- CC Jennifer did confirm PIP Bill Biggs and his wife PID Dana as the guest speakers at the State Convention.

New Business

PCC Earl Sears addressed the Council about the lack of funds for GMT/GLT State Chairs. Currently they were sharing \$800 with all the chairs in the state. PCC Earl stated that in order to train the District GMT/GLT's, they needed their own budget. DG Leanna Rich made a motion to remove \$600 from line item State Chairs and to put \$300 each into a GMT and GLT line item to alleviate some of the expenses being incurred by the State GMT and State GLT Chair. DG Betty Payne seconded the motion. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

 PCC Earl Sears addressed the Council about the lack of response he was receiving from most of the District GMT's and requested an "executive" session with the DG's at DG Ken's convention in October

Committee reports

Alert Chair

 Lion Don Ellis stated that all his requests to Walmart to assist with District credit cards or voucher program with each of the Districts had been denied due to the fact that AR Lions as an organization has not established enough credit to be eligible. Lion Don is now working with US Bank. He is trying to find a financial institution that would be willing to assist our District Alert Chairs with immediate distribution of funds with credit cards as opposed to the previous "voucher" system which has proven quite difficult to utilize and close out in the past

State Convention

• CC Jennifer Cary gave report in absence of State Chair PCC Darleen. The Holiday Inn Express will be the host hotel. CC Jennifer asked on behalf of PCC Darleen if we wanted to stay with the continental breakfast offered by host hotel or have local Church supply the breakfast. The DG's agreed that there would be less confusion for everyone if we just stayed at the hotel and utilized their continental breakfast. CC Jennifer stated the tentative agenda for Saturday activities would include 6 (15 minute) time spans and for the DG's to be thinking of how they wanted to utilize that time. PDG Jerry Strobel has offered to lead the memorial service in which we can have a candlelight service if requested.

IT Update

State IT Chair Becky Callaway stated that she had loaded all the Convention registrations
and information onto the website for Districts I, O, and N, but was waiting on L. DG
Claude told her his was ready and would be sent to her pronto. VDG Becky stated that
she was currently working on loading the MD7 C&BL, corrections form, and state chairs
and committees.

Office Update

• Lion Wanda stated that we are still waiting on the Prestige Pins to come in.

DG Reports

The attending DG's shared their upcoming plans and trainings to accommodate each DG's individual goals for membership, extension, and training. District Convention registrations should be available shortly.

The Council's next face to face meeting will be held on November 2 at 2PM in Lonoke at DG Leanna's Convention.

Hearing no other business, CC Jennifer adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

DG Leanna Rich, Council Secretary

Action Items

Open items carried over:

- Alert Chair Lion Don Ellis will continue to work with US Bank to secure easier deployment of funds during a District Disaster.
- DG's were told to be thinking about Clubs and host sites for the 2016 State Convention and the 2014 Mid-Winter Forum