



**Arkansas Lions MD-7  
Council of Governors Meeting  
November 10, 2017**

**Meeting Recap**

**Participants:** John Collier, Council Chair  
Myrna McGee, District Governor 7-I  
Larry Wilkerson, District Governor 7-O  
Bobby McMillion, District Governor 7-N

**Guests:** DGE Don Draper, DGE Tracy Price, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Cleon Rogers, Lion Sharon Giovinazzo, PDG Norm Moyer, Lion Patty O'Bannon, PCC Bill Heaton, Lion George Foster, and PDG Wanda Barnett, State Secretary.

The second MD-7 Council Meeting for fiscal year 2017-2018 was held on November 10, 2017, at World Service for the Blind, 2811 Fair Park Blvd., Little Rock, AR. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Council Chair John Collier. The invocation was given by DG Bobby McMillion and pledge led by DG Larry Wilkerson.

CC Collier welcomed everyone to the meeting. CC Collier apologized for canceling the meeting that was scheduled for Saturday, November 11th. An unexpected conflict occur with the passing of PDG Jerry Strobel. CC Collier said he was sorry for rescheduling the meeting during a week day (Friday) and for any inconvenience that this created.

The minutes from the last meeting July 22, 2017, were reviewed and approved. A motion was made by DG Bobby McMillion and seconded by DG Larry Wilkerson to approve the minutes as presented. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

DG Bobby McMillion, Council Treasurer, provided the financial report as of September 30, 2017. A motion was made to accept the report as presented. Motion approved by unanimous vote. A copy will be filed for audit. Last year's audit will be presented at the Council Meeting to be held on January 26, 2018.

**Old Business:**

On August 29, 2017, the Council voted electronically to unanimously endorse PID Brian Sheehan for 3<sup>rd</sup> VP of LCI at the International Convention to be held in Las Vegas, NV in 2018. Letters of endorsement have been sent to the appropriate individuals.

***Action Items from July 22, 2017 minutes were reviewed.***

A brief discussion was held regarding of dates for MD7 State Events. Our Mid Winter Leadership Forum is usually held late January and State Convention is held in April.

It was recommendation that the events committee to contact the clubs that have committed to future events: The Events Planning committee will assist on dates, place, etc.

**Mid Winter Leadership Forum:** 2018-Little Rock Founders, 2019-Hope Evening Lions Club and 2020-Stuttgart Lions Club.

**State Conventions:** 2018-Conway, 2019 Fayetteville, 2020- Little Rock Founders.

A motion was made to elect PDG Norm Moyer for the 2017-18 Youth Exchange Chair. Motion passed.

Lion Barnett reported the pins and directories are in. The cost of the Arkansas miniature flag are \$3.15 vs. the US Miniature Flag \$1.08. A motion was made by DG Bobby McMillion and seconded by DG Myrna McGee to purchase the US Miniature flag for the 2018 Lions Clubs International Convention parade.

Concert monies (surplus) has been sent to LCIF in the amount of \$4,000.00.

Lion Alert Account has been opened at Centennial Bank. CC Collier explained that we have several accounts and may be managed by the chair. (Lions Quest and Lions Alert)

The new printer has been purchased.

The Certificate of Deposit from Regions Bank has been transferred to Centennial Bank.

A discussion was held on Redistricting/Merging for MD7. A motion was made by DG Bobby McMillion and seconded by DG Myrna McGee for the study/review committee be increased to eight members. The committee composed of the four current District Governors and a representative from each district. This committee will be formed by January 1, 2018, and will hold a meeting in conjunction with Mid Winter Leadership Forum. Motion passed.

Mid Winter Leadership Forum Committee; Co-Chairs-Lion Sharon Giovinazzo, Cleon Rogers 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG, PCC Bill Heaton and Lion George Foster presented a budget, convention programs, "Disco theme" and other details regarding the forum. A motion was made by DG Bobby McMillion and seconded by DG Larry Wilkerson to reduce the cost to \$20.18 and to accept the projected budget. Motion passed. A motion was made by DG Bobby McMillion and seconded by DG Myrna McGee to advance \$2,000.00 to the committee. Motion passed.

### **New Business: Committee Reports/District Governor's Report**

**Dates for Council Meeting:** Dates set for 2017-18 Council Meetings November 11, 2017, January 26, 2018 and April 27, 2018.

**Arkansas Lions State Office:** Wanda Barnett, PDG stated that the quote from Dell is \$677.00 for the computer. A motion was made by DG Bobby McMillion and seconded by DG Larry Wilkerson to purchase a computer and new software in the amount of \$1,000.00. Motion passed. A motion was made to recycle the old equipment in office. Motion passed.

Barnett reported the MD7 Awards - Ed Barry, John H. Barnett and Fowler are due by March 1, 2018. The applications are on website.

Barnett reported on the 2018 District Conventions.

District 7-L September 14 & 15, 2018

District 7-I August 10 & 11, 2018

District 7-N October 26-17, 2018

A motion was made by DG Bobby McMillion and seconded by DG Myrna McGee to purchase a Lions "Welcome" drape banner in the amount of \$98.95. Motion Passed

**Centennial Celebration:** CC Collier asked everyone to promote service this year. We will have a Centennial gift for all attendees at the 2018 State Convention. The celebration continues for 2018.

**GMT:** PDG Wanda Barnett, thanked the Governors that promoted membership at your conventions. Lion Barnett reported that she was asked to contact LCI for a New Club consultation to do a presentation at Mid Winter Leadership Forum. Application has been submitted requesting for a consultant to attend Mid Winter. We have 126 clubs and 3,038 members.

**International Convention:** Co-Chairs - DGE Tracy Price and Wanda Barnett will submit application for parade and secure the parade ribbons for the participants.

**International Relations:** PDG Moyer reminded everyone November 14, 2017 is National Diabetes Day. He recommend clubs to doing screening, etc.

**LCIF:** DG Myrna read a report from LCIF MD Chair, PDC David DeGraff that stated this is the 50th anniversary of LCIF and the goal is to raise \$50 million to celebrate. All clubs are encouraged to appoint a LCIF representative.

**Past District Governor Association:** PDG Norm Moyer, reported the Past Governors are willing to assist when needed. A meeting is scheduled in Russellville.

**Peace Poster:** CC Collier reminded everyone that the Peace Poster are due to the Governors by November 15 and to the CC or Jundee Gunter by December 1st.

**State Convention:** CC Collier requested any recommendations for programs. Eye screening and diabetes screening were suggested.

**Strategic Plan:** CC Collier ask the District Governors to review and amend current plan. He asked the District Governors to bring recommendations to the next council meeting.

**Youth Involvement and Special Project:** Cleon Roges, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG made a presentation regarding Arkansas Lions Vision Challenge (East) program. He has apply for a LOAF grant and recommends the Lion of Arkansas to support this effort.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

DG Myrna McGee, Secretary

**Action Items:**

1. Last year audit will be reviewed January 26, 2018. (Lion Libby)
2. Events committee to contact the clubs that have committed to future events.
3. Purchase the US miniature flag. (Lion Wanda)
4. Redistricting/Merging for MD7 study/review committee will increase to eight members. (DG's)
5. Advance \$2,000.00 for the Mid Winter Leadership forum. (Lion Wanda)
6. Purchase new computer. (Lion Bob Furman)
7. Purchase welcome banner (Lion Wanda)
8. Recycle old equipment (Lion Bob)
9. Submit recommendations to Strategic Plan. (District Governor's)