

# Arkansas Lions MD-7 Past District Governors Association <u>Conference Call</u> February 17, 2013

## Call Recap

Participants: PDG Judy Moose, President PDG Rich Fischer, Secretary PCC David Moose PDG Jerry Strobel PDG Eric Edwards, Treasurer Guest(s): DG Leanna Rich, 7-N DG Claude Jameson, 7-L DG Ken Swanson, 7-I

This was the second mtg of the PDG Association held during the 2012-13 Lions year and was conducted using the Arkansas Lions conference calling service provided by NATCO. PDGA President, Lion Judy Moose, called the mtg to order at approximately 5:05 p.m. and began to work through the agenda which had been sent out prior to the call via email.

## Financial Report:

PDGA Treasurer, Lion Eric Edwards, provided a brief report on the finances of the association with a balance on hand as of January 31, 2013 of \$507.04. Eric advised that he would be formalizing the report in a spreadsheet and forward to PDGA Secretary, Lion Rich Fischer.

Brief discussion was held regarding membership dues, with some on the call indicating that they had not yet sent in their dues. PDG Judy mentioned that there were additional dues collected at the Mid-Winter Forum that she had mailed to PDG Eric's home that were not included in the balance above. PDG Eric advised that dues checks should be sent to his attention at his work at the following address:

Simmons Bank P.O. Box 7009 Pine Bluff, AR 71611

Eric proposed that his brother, PDG Ricky Edwards (immediate past PDGA Treasurer), remain as a signer on the PDGA checking account, to which he will also add his own name. The group agreed that it was a good idea to have a second person on the account should Eric become incapacitated and the funds need to be accessed. Following a unanimous vote of approval, Eric will proceed as outlined above working with PDG Wanda as necessary.

#### PDGA Support During State Convention

As PDG Ron Frey was not on the call, PDG Jerry led discussion on PDGA support for activities to be conducted during the upcoming state convention. PDGs will again coordinate the Silent Auction and also conduct a 50/50 drawing. Jerry will ask state secretary, PDG Wanda Barnett, to send out an email request calling Lions to bring donated items for inclusion in the auction. In addition, Jerry will also ask the State Convention Committee to include mention of the auction in the printed program and make periodic announcements directing attendees to the auction during the day of the event.

Discussion ensued regarding how the funds raised would be split between the PDGA and the state convention with the following two (2) options being proposed:

 100% of proceeds from the Silent Auction will go to the state convention and 100% of the proceeds from the 50/50 drawing going to the PDGA • Proceeds from both the Silent Auction and the 50/50 drawing will be split evenly with each entity receiving 50% of funds raised

PDG Judy will; a) advise the Council of Governors of the PDGAs support roles, and b) pass the options for how the funds will be split along to the Council of Governors for a decision on which one to implement.

## PDGA Resource Listing

A listing of PDGs who have signed up to be available as support resources in various areas was the next topic of discussion. The areas under which PDGs have signed up include the following:

Mentoring Membership & Growth Tail Twister Training Encouraging Attendance to Dist & State Events Leadership Fundraising & Silent Auction LCIF Promotion

PDG Eric asked that his name be added to the Membership and Fundraising areas. Judy will update the list and send out a revised copy via email.

DG Claude indicated that he was unaware of any PDGs from his district (7-L) who had signed up as resources. PDG Judy advised that a few had and listed them. PDG Rich encouraged DG Claude to not let district affiliation prevent calls for assistance. Even though a PDG resource in another district may not be able to physically come in person, there is much that may be done to provide remote assistance and support.

It was suggested that the PDGA get time on the agendas for district conventions and state events to promote member availability and willingness to assist. PDG Rich recommended that maybe a copy of the resource list be distributed at the upcoming state convention. PDG Judy indicated that it should also be posted on the state website.

## Open Forum

DG Leanna commented that increased marketing and promotion of PDGA resource availability would certainly help to get the word out. She also apologized that PDGA representatives were not alerted about, nor invited to, the DGE Training. Leanna suggested that contact be made with the state GMT and GLT Coordinators advising as to the willingness and availability of PDGA representatives to attend future trainings held by either.

Talking points submitted by PDG Ron Frey were shared by PDG Rich and PDG Judy. Topics included attracting younger members, challenges before the Lions of Arkansas, and inviting 3<sup>rd</sup> party, non-Lions to speak at future events.

Updating the existing PDGA Policy Manual was also discussed. PCC David agreed to produce an updated version for consideration and approval at the next PDGA mtg.

Having no other business, PDG Judy adjourned the call at approximately 6:03 p.m. The next mtg of the association will be held in conjunction with the state convention. . .specific time and location to be forthcoming.

Respectfully submitted, PDG Rich Fischer, PDGA Secretary

#### Action Items

New items assigned/accepted:

- Produce financial report spreadsheet and send to PDG Rich (PDG Eric)
- Have his name added as a signer to the PDGA checking acct (PDG Eric)
- Work with PDG Wanda to get out an email request for Silent Auction items (PDG Jerry)
- Advise the Council of Govs of PDGA support roles at state convention and present for a decision the options for how funds raised will be split (PDG Judy)
- Update the PDGA Resource List and send out revised version via email (PDG Judy)
- Update the PDGA Policy Manual and present for consideration at next PDGA mtg held in conjunction with the state convention (PCC David)

• Produce minutes for this call and send out via email (PDG Rich)