

MD5 1st Business Session
MINUTES OF MEETING
Friday, May 13th, 2022, at 2:00 – 3:00 PM

Call to order by Council Chair Kevin Bean at 2:15 PM

1. Moment of Silence for PDG/CT Kevin Vannett

Introductions of Head Table

District Governors: DG Scott Ressler, DG Joe Sowokinos, DG Geraldine Ray, DG Dave Pigors, DG Marianne Kramchynsky, DG Doug Ross, CS Ken Peters, and CT John Emmett & CC Bean.

2. Convention Events Update given by Lion Page Newton, Convention Chair

3. Agenda – Motion to accept agenda by PDG Rob Hill / PDG Don Morris

Carried

4. Finance Reports: Council Treasurer: PCC John Emmett

- i. All Districts have paid their dues
- ii. MD5 in good status with assets exceeding \$230,000.00 in bank
- iii. Surety Bond is subject under review. Does not cover Saskatchewan or So. Dakota. A Committee is reviewing and investigating alternative action. To report back in August COG Meeting.

Motion by DG Pigors / DGE Bauer to accept the report as presented.

Carried

There is a Line item in GLT Budget for \$1200.00

Motion by CCE Kramchynsky / DG Scott Ressler to allocate that to be shared with 3 attending Trainers Institute along with receipts & Income provided. Carried

5. Montreal LCO Convention = PID Littlefield & PID Vannett
Rules and procedures reviewed
Voting items includes a Dues increase
DGE Training will start June 23rd in Montreal

6. 2021-22 YEAR Ending Global Action Team Summary Reports

GST Committee

PDG Krisha Ashby

I hope everyone had a safe trip up to the convention and is having a great time. Due to my constant nausea (the joys of pregnancy) I have been advised by my doctor to not travel. Enjoy all the fellowship and have an extra dessert for me!
Since our last report MD5 has jumped over 5% in clubs reporting service getting us to

51% reported! Last year we ended with 46% reported and we still have one more month to push to get that number up a bit more. Below are the numbers from March vs. May active report.

March Reporting	MD5	SKN	SKS	NE	NW	SE	SW
Clubs Reporting	43%	23%	37%	53%	56%	56%	41%
Activities Reported	1953	139	368	260	447	411	330
Last Year AR	2159	170	579	252	440	334	384
People Served	242165	15865	41141	36385	47714	73115	28105
Last Year PS	293932	22844	80809	33190	49143	52472	55474
Vounteer Hours	29746	3577	7840	2907	6570	4746	4154
Last year VH	33798	4480	10399	3370	7168	4213	4165
May Reporting	MD5	SKN	SKS	NE	NW	SE	SW
Clubs Reporting	51%	29%	43%	77%	60%	63%	60%
Activities Reported	2494	175	481	366	530	535	530
Last Year AR	2159	170	579	252	440	334	440
People Served	300686	20627	48192	44749	56633	88691	56633
Last Year PS	293932	22844	80809	33190	49143	52472	49143
Vounteer Hours	83130	4363	9938	4106	8093	5613	8093
Last year VH	33798	4480	10399	3374	7168	4213	7168

We have had several strides this year in regards to going above what was reported last year

(great work teams). Here are some of the highlights to recap the above information:

- We had 4 districts that were 60% and above for service reported
- 5 districts increased their service activities from last year to this year
- 2 districts increased their percentages reported by over 20% within the last 3 months

The best way we can get more clubs to report service is through education. We need to continue to educate on how to report and why reporting is important. Even when I was making my calls to clubs, the reason behind ‘why’ we need to report is not being relayed to those who are in charge of reporting service. If you are not holding some type of reporting training at your district conventions. I strongly suggest having holding a session.

Unfortunately, my project to collect 100 service projects from MD5 did not hit its target (only collected 45 projects/fundraisers). Some districts were more responsive in sending in their projects and fundraisers. I will continue to be collecting service project and fundraiser ideas throughout the rest of this year, so please send them in. Through my work with Young Lions

Network and speaking engagements, I will be working on trying to get more ideas to get that number to 100 (and more if possible!). If you are interested in receiving a copy of this list, I am happy to share it.

MD5 has done an amazing job this year. I know in our district we lost a few clubs and we still exceeded our service numbers. We are in the finally push to the end of the 2021-2022 Lions year, let’s not slow down. Keep up all the good work and don’t let down on the service activities.

There is still a need for Lions to continue to do good in your communities and the world.

MD5 GMT Report

PDG Sherry Fetch

May 1, 2022

Goal 1: The Global Membership Approach is Positive Membership Growth.

Action #1: Rejuvenate MD5 Six Districts with New Lions Clubs in 2021-2022.

Action #2: Revitalize MD5 Six Districts with New Lions Members in 2021-2022.

Action #3: Re-motivate MD5 Six Districts with New Fellowships and Exciting Service.

Goal 2: Support MD5 Six Districts.

Action: Educate, coach and mentor the District GMT Coordinators while removing barriers that impede progress. Help them to develop the drive and determination to inspire and empower their Districts to be successful in strengthening Lions membership and retention.

Resources: LCI Website.

MD5 District GMT Meetings:

1. All the District GMT's and the District DG Teams are invited to monthly Zoom meetings.

a. District GMT's are:

5SE GMT: PCC John Emmet, 5SW GMT's: PDG's Neil and Linda Vollmer, 5NE GMT: Lion Carla Lein, 5NW GMT: CC Kevin Bean, 5SKN GMT: DG Marianne Kramchynsky, and 5SKS GMT: PDG Rob Hill.

b. District DG Teams are:

- 5SE: DG David Pigors; DGE Robyn Tyler, 1st VDGE LeeAnn Haisch and 2nd VDGE Dennis Bohmont.
- 5SW: DG Geraldine RAY, DGE Ron Bunnell, 1st VDGE James Treloar and 2nd VDGE Francis Waits.
- 5NE: DG Joe Sowokinos, DGE Scott Hildre, 1st VDGE Rick Stark, 2nd VDGE Kirk Tingum and MD5 New Voices Crystal Dueker.
- 5NW: DG Scott Ressler, DGE Jeanette Bean, 1st VDGE Lynn Grabow and 2nd VDGE Lynn Helms.
- 5SKN: DG Marianne Kramchynsky, DGE Beryl Bauer, 1st VDGE Bernie

Kramchynsky and 2nd VDGE _____.

- 5SKS: DG Doug ROSS, DGE Alvin Matechuk, 1st VDGE Lane Johnson and pending qualifications and District voting, 2nd VDGE Heather Vermeersch.

2. It was established that the MD5 GMT meetings are meeting by Zoom the third Sunday of every month.

- a. We have met by Zoom Sundays, August 15th, September 19th, October 17th, November 21st, January 16th, February 20th, March 20th at 8pm CT. The April Zoom meeting was Sunday, 4/24/2022 as the previous Sunday was the Easter Holiday. We will not meet the third Sunday in May as that is the weekend of the MD5 Convention. The last Zoom meeting will be the end of May or the beginning of June.

3. Review where membership is in the fiscal year for their district through 5/1/2022. Currently:

- **New Lions as per 5/1/2022:**

5NE- 112, 5NW- 84, 5SE- 83, 5SW- 34, 5SKN- 70, and 5SKS-78.

- **Dropped Lions as per 5/1/2022:**

5NE- 96, 5NW- 78, 5SE- 89, 5SW- 49, 5SKN- 95, and 5SKS-144.

- **Membership per District as per 5/1/2022:**

5NE- 1,168 (this is the same # as a year ago); 5NW- 1,121; 5SE- 1,051; 5SW- 658; 5SKN-1,038; and 5SKS- 1,486.

4. Continue to discuss and review the Global Membership Approach.

- a. At the January meeting:
 - We viewed and discussed the Power Point Presentation, “Plan for Your Club’s Success! The Global Membership Approach. This is a new tool and it was emphasized to have the District GMT’s or Zone Chairs use at this at Zone Meetings and when visiting Clubs. There was much good discussion following this presentation.
 - We asked the questions, “How is your District gaining membership? Is your District using the Global Membership Approach to gain Lions members?”
 - We also discussed what is working and how can this half of the year be even more successful?
- b. At the February meeting:
 - We watched the Virtual Presentation, “Embracing Members Today So They Will Be Serving Tomorrow! Addressing Retention in our Lions Clubs.” I showed a photo of the Speaker and gave an introduction of DGE Lion Daniel Marney Elkin before he started his section of the presentation. Great discussion followed the presentation.
 - We then discussed what are some diverse ways Lions Clubs in your District are retaining members?
- c. March 13th Presentation:
 - Was asked by the District 5NE GMT Chair, Lion Carla Lein, to do a presentation about the SWOT Analysis for her Zone Chairs and Leadership. By Zoom we viewed and discussed the Power Point Presentation, “Plan for Your Club’s Success! The Global Membership Approach, which follows a step-by-step approach utilizing the SWOT Analysis. Great discussion followed.
- d. At the March 20th meeting:
 - Repeated the Power Point Presentation, “Plan for Your Club’s Success! (Global Membership Approach), which is a great tool to have GMT’s or Zone Chairs use at Zone Meetings and when visiting Clubs. I repeated this presentation as many of the GMT’s were not present at the January meeting. I did get a good response following the meeting as different discussion points were brought forward that did not occur at the January meeting.
- e. At the April meeting:
 - Everyone was asked to introduce Themselves by giving their name, District Title, and “What have you learned this year about Membership that has been helpful to you?” This question brought about good discussion with all present about what has been and what has not been working in their districts. The group did agree that the Covid Pandemic affected some of the Lions Clubs more than others. Some Clubs were able to stay active and did projects that included their membership, but some clubs were struggling and ideas were discussed to help bring these Lions Clubs back as active Lions Clubs.

- Lion Crystal asked the Lion Leaders for 2022-23 to start to watch out for, select and plan for your New Voices candidates. PDG Sherry explained that pointing out this individual may help bring a new leader into the limelight as your year as District Governor. This happened with two of the Lions, or Lions they were associated with, for PDG Sherry's year. New leaders were discovered. It was emphasized that as a Lion Leader in your District finding these individuals can help your leadership and membership grow.

There will not be a Zoom meeting the third Sunday in May as that is the weekend of the MD5 Convention. The last Zoom meeting will be the end of May or the beginning of June and the PowerPoint I was planning to show will be shown at that time titled, "LCI Strategic Plan."

In Lions "Service from the Heart,"

PDG Sherry Fetch

MD5 GMT Chairperson

"On Fire to Inspire!"

"Aim to make a Positive Difference in Someone's Life- We Serve!!"

GLT Committee

PDG Don Morris

Progress with the RLLI has continued over the last quarter and I would like to thank Lions Gail Haight, Jeanette Bean, Geraldine Ray, Jim Vermersche, and CC Kevin for their contributions to this project.

We still have our budget in place from our LCI grant and we are working on a date and location and will have that very soon. Once there we will find the 10 trainers we will need to make this event possible.

I would like to congratulate Lions Jim Vermersche and Geraldine Ray for taking the time out of their lives to attend Faculty Development Institute in Shakopee, Minnesota. Your commitment to ensuring our trainings have qualified instruction is commendable and I wish you well on that journey.

It is my hope that in the near future the Multiple will help find a way to ensure opportunities to train our members are funded by the Multiple and the Districts who will surely benefit from the energy spent on behalf of all our members.

I would like to congratulate DG Geraldine Ray for stepping forward to Chair the GL Team Committee and I look forward to continuing to help see the RLLI come to our Multiple.

In Lionism,
Lion Don Morris
IPDG MD5 SKS

7. Plans - Lions Leadership Institute in the fall----- PDG Don Morris
RLLI will now be held in the fall (September ??) LCI has provided a Grant of \$4500.00 to hold the Leadership training.
8. VDG Training Report -----PCC John Emmett
Most training this year was virtual however it went very well. I believe our DGE's are ready.

Future Convention Sites for Information only

2023 Spearfish, SD.

2024 Minot, ND

2025 5SKN TBD

2026 Accepting bids 5SE

Voting at 2nd Business Session 1 vote for every 10 members in club, better half of 10 members also 1 vote

Constitution & Bylaws Changes-----DG Scott Ressler/PDG Grant
Kahlbaugh/PCC Rick Pockett

Proposed changes were presented to the membership along with intention reasoning etc.

Other Business

Meeting Adjourned 3:25 pm

District Governor Annual Reports can be found,
as PDF file, on the MD5 Web Site
www.md5website.org