C2 – Sight and Hearing Committee

Sight and Hearing August 2026 prepared by PDG Bill Nlejadik, Chair

The Sight and Hearing Committee has come up with some new recommendations as to disbursement of our donations to supported agencies.

Last year we gave

Pilot Dogs 20%

Prevent Blindness Ohio 20%

News Reel 20%

Columbus Speech and Hearing 20%

Sight and Hearing Foundation 20%

Recently. News Reel and Columbus Speech and Hearing have ceased operation. Our new plan is as follows

Prevent Blindness Ohio 30%

Sight and Hearing Foundation 30%

Pilot Dogs 20%

Companion Dogs 20%

I know past COG wanted to eliminate Pilot Dogs but we are Lions and we must remember that we were challenged by Helen KELLER to be Knights of the Blind. Eliminating Pilot Dogs from our cause is a violation of our code of ethics. We may not like dealing with controversial personalities, but as adults and Lions we need to be loyal to our obligations.

The cancellation of Pilot Dogs was done without consulting the Sight and Hearing committee. We feel that we should have been part of the decision. Again, a violation of Lion Code of Ethics.

Also, PCC Kevin Reidy has been invited by PlusOptics to meet in at their gathering in Atlanta, Ga. To discuss new technology they plan to introduce. He has requested expense reimbursement for this occasion. The amount requested is $349.72

We agree to this request to follow established Lion protocol. Receipts must be turned in and approved by the committee.

Looking forward to working with this year's Council.

Submitted by PDG Dave Luttrell OH5 S&H Rep