

**MD5M GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Shooting Star Event Center**  
**Mahnomen, MN**  
**Friday, May 2, 2008**

Council Chairman Bob Jechorek called the meeting to order with all District Governors present. The meeting began with the Pledge to the flag of the United States led by DG Mary Ellen Storley, 5M7, the Pledge to the flag of Canada led by DG John Fehr, 5M13, and an invocation by DG Deborah Harms, 5M4.

Motion # 52 M/S/P DG Mary Ellen Storley, 5M7 / DG John Fehr, 5M13 to approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

Motion #53 M/S/P DG Ken Kolding, 5M11 / DG Dick Briese, 5M10 to approve the agenda with additions.

Two discussion items were brought forward from the March Minutes. One was motion #41 to ask the Legal Advisor to prepare "Step by Step" instructions for clubs and districts to incorporate and update their incorporation with annual filings to the State of Minnesota and the IRS. The other was Motion #42 to use the data base of e-mails to announce the readiness of each month's MD5M News Letter. There was no one present to address these items.

PID Ben Ward presented some information on the USA/Canada Forum and make a request to have everyone go back and recruit more members to attend the Forum.

PID Ross Thorfinnson, PDG Debra Wasserman, & PDG Larry Schul presented an update on Campaign Sight First II. We are currently at almost 1.5 Million dollars from Minnesota alone and a participation rate of 89 % of clubs participating. Governors were encouraged to make some phone calls to ask clubs to reconsider their giving and to try to increase the participation rate.

An LCIF grant from 5M8 for Boys & Girls clubs has been tabled pending receipt of additional information. A 2<sup>nd</sup> grant for \$75,000 for Camp Eden Wood has been funded at a reduced rate of \$50,000.

PDG's Robert Vokes & Debra Wasserman presented their Campaign budgets for consideration.

## Committee Reports

### Youth Exchange – VDGE Darwin & Lion Nancy Mathwig

A status of incoming and outgoing students was presented. The Governors were also asked for permission by the Council to no longer participate in the Winter Youth Exchange program because of a new Statute, Chapter 5A which is concerned with students going to school. VDGE Darwin stated that he would no longer be Co-Chair of the Youth Exchange because of his duties as VDGE. He thanked those that allowed him the opportunity over the past years.

### LEO's – PDG Jim Martindale

PDG Jim announced that the LEO forum has been canceled. There was not sufficient response by the LEO's on registration. The information was sent out a number of times and under the circumstances we cannot go forward.

### 2008 Multiple Convention – PDG Mike Griffin

At this point there are 610 registrants for the convention. The materials were delayed by the snow storm, but everything is ready, but a bit delayed.

### 2009 International Convention – PDG Jack Hines & PDG Bob Wharton

We need to get 5M fired up for this convention! The Governors were encouraged to talk to their people to get them to the convention and volunteer to help. The blue MD5M shirts and Khaki pants to be purchased by the volunteer, and a hat provided by the committee will be the volunteer uniform. The parade marshals will be provided with a different colored shirt. One requirement is that all volunteers must be registered for the convention.

### Leadership / Development – PCC Keith Johnson

PCC Keith suggested some changes to the attire for the parade. (Details in the Governor's booklets) The Governors were also asked to encourage their bands to participate in the International Convention parade.

### Diabetes – PCC Bill Bard

PCC Bill thanked the Governors for the opportunity to serve as the Diabetes Chair. We feel that we have everything ready for approval of the Diabetes Foundation at this convention. PCC Bill thanked CC Bob, Exec Sec Bob, & PDG Wayne Swanson for their parts in assisting getting this together. On behalf of the Diabetes Committee PDG Dan Snobl and his family were thanked for their donation to help defray the cost of the start up of the Foundation. A sample of the new Dream Catcher award was shown to the Governors.

### Hearing Foundation – PDG Frank Leidenfrost

We have had a great year and part of it is that we now have Lion Dr. Bevan Yueh heading the department. I want to thank you for your support and for appointing such good Trustees. I have really enjoyed working with them. Thank You.

### **Governors Committee Reports**

#### Political Liaison Report – DG Allen Bailey

PID Maynard spoke on the amendments that will be voted on at the International Convention as well as the ID Candidates from North America that are going to be considered. MD5M candidates for International Director spoke. PID Dr. Bud Danylchuk spoke about getting pride back into MD5M and getting Lions to attend the 2009 International Convention.

Motion #53 M/S/P DG Allen Bailey, 5M8 / DG Roger Badenhop, 5M5 to accept the Political Liaison report.

#### Headquarters & Finance – DG Allen Bailey

Motion #54 M/S/P DG Allen Bailey, 5M8 / DG Rodger Badenhop, 5M5 to renew Executive Secretary Bob Harms contract for another 3 years. DG Deborah Harms, 5M4 abstained.

Motion #55 M/S/P DG Allen Bailey, 5M8 / DG John Fehr, 5M13 to accept the financial statements subject to audit.

#### Legal Committee – DG Deborah Harms

Motion #56 M/S/P DG Deborah Harms, 5M4 / DG Mary Ellen Storley, 5M7 to change the Policy Manual, Chapter 14C per the recommendation of the Parade Chairman, PCC Keith Johnson in his report that was in the Governors folders.

#### Service Activities Committee – DG Mary Ellen Storley

Motion #57 M/S/P DG Mary Ellen Storley, 5M7 / DG Ken Kolding, 5M11 to discontinue the Winter Program of the Youth Exchange.

### **Project New Hope – PDG Dale Johansen**

PDG Dale thanked everyone for the support that has been given to project New Hope so far. Bruce has family things going on to day so he couldn't be here. We have 3 Goals:

1. We would like to become a District Project in all 12 districts.
2. We would also like to become a Multiple Project.
3. We would like to present seminars at every Mid Winter Conventions this year.

Someone in every community is affected by this problem. Please continue to support this project.

Motion #58 M/S/P DG Allen Bailey, 5M8 / DG Roger Badenhop, 5M5 to adjourn the meeting.

The Council, in a closed meeting passed a motion to recognize the efforts of the Executive Secretary with a performance bonus of \$2,000.00.

Submitted by Bob Harms  
MD5M Executive Secretary