

Lions Clubs International - Multiple District 31
North Carolina Lions State Council
Official Minutes

Saturday, May 6, 2006

Park Inn- Gateway Conference Center
Hickory, NC

9:00 AM

Council Chairman, Brad Logsdon, called the meeting to order.

District Governor Steve Wilson gave the Invocation followed by District Governor Michael Allman leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

For the record, the Council met in caucus on Friday evening May 5. All nine District Governors, as well as five Vice District Governors, were present at the caucus. Seven District Governors and all nine Vice District Governors were in attendance at the Saturday Council Meeting.

DG Paul Vaughan	31-A	DG Gary P. Greene	31-F
DG Michael Allman	31-B	DG G. Steve Wilson	31-G
DG Dale Dupree	31-E	DG Barbara Mayes	31-H
PDG Brad Logsdon	Council Chair	DG Laurence H. Sandy	31-J

Mayes served as Parliamentarian.

State Secretary PDG George Ohm read a letter from LCIF thanking the Council for the \$500 donation in the name of 1st Vice President Jimmy Ross. LCI also sent a congratulatory letter to PDG Keith Peedin for completion of a habitat home in Cook County in District 31-H. The Board of Directors approved the election of Dolores O'Malley, Morris Van Vleet, PDG Ron Kelly, George Holston and Mike Flora as Governors Elect for 2006-2007 in their respective Districts.

Vaughan moved to accept the February Minutes as published; seconded by Sandy. Motion passed.

Ohm continued with the Financial Report. He reported that all District Dues have been paid and with rising interest rates our account interest is \$200 more than budgeted. The Luxury Car Raffle sales were \$67,900 with expenses of \$33754.48 leaving a profit of \$34145.52.
(See attachment "A")

Mayes moved to approve the Financial Report; seconded by Dupree. Motion passed.

Foundation President Carlton Metts thanked the Governors for their service and support this year. He thanked the Lions that volunteered to work during clean-up week; their efforts saved the Camp thousands of dollars. He thanked PDG Joe Silvers for donating a truck to haul glasses to the Indiana Recycling Center. All of the camping staff has been hired however volunteers are still needed for the camping season. White Cane is running slightly under last year; however the Camp Dogwood raffle is running slightly ahead. A caucus hearing on the NCLF budget will be held this afternoon prior to the vote at the Foundation meeting tomorrow. (See attachment "B")

Executive Director Steve Walker gave his report of Camp Dogwood. He stated that they had received 850 applications to camp with about 600 processed to date. The Lions attending the State Convention approved the plans to replace the dormitory beginning this fall. He stated that there will be some problems with the building site regarding utility service lines running under the building. UNC Chapel Hill is awaiting the delivery of a piece of equipment for the Lions Diabetic Eye Care Center. Once received, the grant can be closed out at Chapel Hill. A new grant request was made to LCIF for a new project at the Wake Forest Lions Eye Research Center.

Logsdon followed up with totals of donations to and grants from LCIF. From 2003-2005, MD31 contributed \$323,000 while receiving \$259,000 in grants.

Past Foundation President Harvey Whitley congratulated the Council and the Lions of North Carolina for the lead gift of \$25,000 for Campaign Sight First II. Training is continuing across the state. LCIF is encouraging club and personal contributions. Goals suggested are \$125 per member, payable over 3 years. He encouraged the up-coming leadership to continue with state wide efforts over the next 3 years.

Logsdon commented on his attending the South Carolina Convention where President Ashok Mehta gave the keynote address. He stated that the state wide advertising programs kicked off this last week in 31-D and 31-E this weekend. D31-E will have 360 spots on ESPN, CNN and other channels on Time-Warner Cable. D31-D has already had a response from their advertising. This program is the result of the \$1500 LCI matching grant to each district coupled with a \$3000 equivalent match by Time-Warner.

Logsdon continued by urging all who will be attending the Boston Convention as Delegates to actually vote. LCI leadership is very sensitive to the support of Lions for their respective Executive Officer Candidates. If we have 50 registered Delegates we need 50 votes to show undivided support for our candidate.

The recent LCI Directors meeting listed several items to be voted upon at the Convention.

1. Change requirements for emergency funds.
2. Extending International voting privileges to the Council Chair
3. Establishing family dues.
4. Require Districts endorsing candidates for International Office to have a minimum of 1250 members.

5. Require Districts endorsing candidates for International Directors to have a minimum of 1250 members

The Details of the Proposals will be printed in the next Lions Magazine.

PCC Ed Shivers gave the Preliminary report on the 2006 State Convention in Greenville. He thanked the committee and all those that helped to make this a successful Convention. Registered attendance was 419 Lions and guests; 1057 meals served; six seminars with 180 attending. The Tail Twister's breakfast and auction collected \$3638 for the Humanitarian-White Cane Fund. The preliminary financial balance shows \$12823.62, which indicates a profit of \$6823.62 over the original \$6000 granted to the committee.

(See attachment "C")

Logsdon commented that it was suggested that the excess profits be placed in a separate line item to provide reserve funds for future conventions.

PDG Joe Silvers gave the report on the plans for the 2007 State Convention in Asheville. Silvers reported that the 40 member committee has already secured \$15,000 in program ads. The intent is to reduce costs for individual Lions to attend the convention. One fund raiser is the statewide sale of baseball caps state wide. Bi-Low has been approached to underwrite Fun-Night and The Tail Twisters Breakfast. In addition, he wants to be able to furnish a voucher for Sunday morning breakfast in the hotel. He will be furnishing monthly newsletter items for District newsletters. Several tours are planned including Harrah's, Biltmore House, Thomas Wolfe Museum and the Grove Arcade.

Gwen White reported on the 2008 State Convention in the Triad area, chaired by DG Paul Bledsoe and PDG John Wall will serve as Treasurer.

Logsdon reported that The USA/Canada Forum Site Inspection Committee will visit the Raleigh Area this coming Friday, May 12. The Raleigh Visitors Bureau has attempted to involve the Governor, Mayor and Local officials in the site review. If selected, NC would host the Forum in 2011. While several facilities are not yet built, they are expecting the use of 2400 hotel rooms, which is considered a large event in Raleigh.

The council took a 15 minute break.

Logsdon resumed the meeting and called for Statewide Committee Reports.

Boys and Girls Home Chair Logsdon reported that the boys are back in the Lions Cottage which was repainted after suffering smoke damage from a clothes dryer fire. A major restaurant chain has donated a commercial dishwasher and refrigerator for the cottage. A Lion from the Troy Lions club donated replacement windows. Two pool tables have been donated. A grant request for \$10,000 will be presented to the NCLF Board tomorrow for the replacement van, for which Lake Lure Lions have offered to provide the remainder of the cost. Logsdon will arrange for a work day in June to spruce up the cottage and grounds.

(See attachment "D")

Elida Homes PDG Martha Butler Read a letter from an official of Elida Home which houses the Lions Cottage, supported by the Lions of 31-A, for children needing intense care and supervision. She gave an example of a drug addicted Cherokee youth who is successfully responding to the care given by the home. The Governors goals allowed 31-A to donate \$10,000 to the Lions Cottage this year. (See attachment "E")

Constitution and By-Laws Chair PDG Ron Kelley reviewed the items relating to the Council Chair position approved by the membership at the State Convention.

1. Deleted the 5 year limitation for Council Chair eligibility.
2. Moved the application for Council chair to December 31.
3. Made the Council Chair a voting member of the Council
4. Restricted the Council Chair from serving as chairman of any other state committee
5. Added to the duties of the Nomination committee to search out candidates for the Council Chair position.
6. Made the Council Chair a member of the Promotions Committee

(See attachment "F")

Diabetes Awareness Chair Bill Barnwell reported the challenge to inform the citizens of North Carolina of the problems associated with Diabetes. He related statistics of diabetes affecting the citizens of North Carolina. He demonstrated several brochures available for distribution. (See attachment "G")

Extension Chair Houston Henderson reviewed pledges made at the beginning of the year. To date two clubs have been chartered with five more clubs in process. With 6 weeks remaining, we still have time to organize and charter clubs. See attachment "H")

History Committee Gwen White reassured the Council that the committee will still continue to serve after the death of Dr. Ted James. The committee plans to distribute fliers to all clubs and officers, past and present, showing how they want the text to look for the History Book. White requested a \$300 grant from the Council to produce the fliers.

Wilson moved to grant the \$300 to the History Committee for the fliers; seconded by Vaughan. Motion Passed.

Leadership Chair Robert Moorehead announced that the first training session for VDGE's is scheduled for May 12-13, 2006.

LCIF Committee Chairperson Diane Whitley reported that LCI indicates several districts and clubs have funds given for Tsunami and Katrina relief that qualify for Melvin Jones Fellows that are unnamed. The Council also has \$2300 in unnamed funds for possible Melvin Jones Fellowships.

Orientation Chair Edward Shivers stated that Orientation will no longer be a stand alone committee. LCI has decided to combine Orientation with Retention for the coming year. Shivers opposes the move stating that Orientation is the Key to Retention as well as Membership as a whole. (See attachment "I")

Promotions Chairperson Pat Roland thanked to Council for allowing her to serve as Promotions Chair. Her inventory report indicted that she has sold nearly the entire inventory that she ordered. Roland thanked all of the Lions that bought shirts and caps that allowed us to bring our finances into a positive condition. (See attachment "J")

Research and Long Range Planning Chair John O'Malley reported that the committee made a report to the council at the February meeting and is still awaiting a response.

Retention Chair Frank Brooks reported that the latest MD31 membership was 9283. The report also stated that we had 713 new members, but dropped 836. Brooks went on to say that membership growth and retention a two major challenges facing Lionism in North Carolina. (See attachment "K")

State Convention Chairperson Gwen White stated that the Committee wants to update the conference manual to provide guidelines to plan and conduct a convention. She requested the names of the incoming convention chairs so she can plan a meeting for the August Council meeting.

Youth Exchange Chairperson Karen Littlefield sent an e-mail to Logsdon stating the need for families to host 4 students.

Youth Outreach Chair Stuart Wooten stated that the Youth Outreach will be combined with Lions Quest to become the Lions Quest Committee. He reported on the up-coming Leadership conference at NC State for rising sophomores. Twenty-three clubs are sending delegates to the conference. (See attachment "L")

Dupree moved to approve all State Committee Reports; seconded by Allman. Motion passed.

Logsdon reported that the Luxury Car winners Charles and Jan Holleman were in Charlotte picking up the BMW and will bring it up to Hickory to show it off.

Logsdon stated that Bledsoe had requested the sum of \$275 to purchase the nine "Beta tapes" for the statewide advertising project.

Allman moved to provide the \$275 to pay for the advertising 'beta tapes'; seconded by Greene. Motion Passed.

New Business

PFP Harvey Whitley was selected to attend the Lions Clubs USA Faculty Development institute in Oklahoma City on June 1-4. LCI will furnish meals and lodging. He requested \$600 for air travel to Oklahoma City. (See attachment "M")

Mayes moved to grant \$600 for air travel to Oklahoma City; seconded by Wilson. Motion Passed.

Logsdon announced that Mrs. North Carolina has volunteered to become a spokesperson for the Lions in North Carolina. This is in grateful thanks for helping her daughter with a sight problem.

Incoming Chairperson Martha Butler requested that for the coming year any requests to the Council should be made at least 2 weeks in advance of any Council Meeting.

Logsdon urged the Governors to stay active after their year of service. He thanked the Governors for allowing him to serve for it has been an outstanding year.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM.

George D. Ohm
State Secretary-Treasurer

Attachment "A"

North Carolina Lions State Council
 2005-06 Council Financial Statement
 May 5, 2006

INCOME:	05-06 Budget	5/5/2006	(/ under	Line
BAL FWD (unrestricted)	23,367.19	23,387.19	-	100
State Dues (.Est 9400 X \$3.50 for 05-06)	32,900.00	32,751.25	148.75	110
Interest Received (Currently-1%)	250.00	459.68	(209.68)	120
District Cabinet Secretary- Treasurer Bonds	417.50	417.51	(0.01)	130
Vendor space rental at State	300.00	-	300.00	140
Tailtwister's ticket sales and auction Conv.)	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	150
Youth Exchange (restricted - IncI Bal	5,866.93	3,066.93	2,800.00	160
Liberty Day (restricted - Inc! Fwd.)	3,359.08	2,105.61	1,253.47	165
Misc. Income not Budgeted	4,000.00	65158.36	(61,15636	170
Lions License Plate Project (IncI BalFwd		3810.00	(3,610.00)	180
MD31- Statewide Advertising project	27,000.00	0.00	27,000.00	185
<u>Luxury Car Raffle</u>		<u>67900.00</u>		<u>190</u>
Total Income	99,980.70	199,056.53	(99,075.83	
EXPENSES:				
Financial Audit	350.00	0.00	350.00	200
Treasurer's Bond	520.50	520.50	-	210
Clerical Services - NCLP	600.00	600.00	-	220
Office Supplies (Secretary / Treasurer)	350.00	216.08	133.92	230
Printing (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	500.00	472.57	27.43	240
Postage (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	500.00	203.59	296.41	250
Telephone (Secretary / Treasurer)	200.00	0.00	20000	260
Plaques and Gifts	1000.00	873.82	126.18	270
State Council Meetings	250.00	287.99	(37.99)	280
Expenses - State Secretary / Treasurer	3500.00	3042.32	457.68	290
Expenses - State Council Chair	5300.00	3137.69	2,162.31	300
State Convention - cash advance.—	6000.00	6000.00	-	310
Membership committee	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	320
Extension Committee	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	330
Retention Committee	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	340
Leadership Committee	3400.00	2003.53	1,396.47	350
Orientation Committee	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	360
State Council Committee Expenses	9000.00	5377.10	3,622.90	370
Liberty Day	2000.00	1876.96	123.04	380
Leo Clubs Expenses	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	390
Youth Exchange (from Council Funds)	500.00	2398.93	(1,698.93)	400
NCLF Newspaper Mailings	3000.00	0.00	3,000.00	405
MD31- Statewide Advertising project	27000.00	0.00	27,000.00	410
Misc. Expenses not budgeted	6000.00	54819.93	(48,819.93	415
<u>Luxury Car Raffle Disbursements</u>		<u>33754.48</u>		<u>420</u>
Total	Expens 74,970.50	115,585.49	(40,614.99)	
Contingency	25,010.20	83,471.04	(58,460.84	
Total	99,980.70	199,056.53	(99,075.83	

Notes:

- Line 110 - July 1, 2005 MD31 Membership = \$406
- Line 160- Bal Fwd \$1366.93 +\$500 D31B+\$500 D31F+\$500 D31E+ \$200Vass Lions
- Line 170 - \$50,000 LCI Check for UNC Grant + \$10,000 + 2481.60 from 2005 State Conv + \$1792.56 Leadership Inst Bal. Transfer \$750. LCI check for DG Training - \$55 Greenville Luncheon
- Line 180 - license plate checks: \$3800 plus \$10 over payment.
- Line 415 - \$50,000 Check to NCLF - \$3800 Stale License Plates - \$10.00 James Sasser - \$19.35 **Checks**
 - \$13.78 LCI Youth Programs Assessment - \$278.74 Flags & poles for State Conv.
 - \$46 Dinner Peace Poster Parents - **\$43.45 LCI Constitution Booklets - \$13.30 Replace Badge**
 - \$595.31 Media Room Exp 1005 Conv.
- Line 420 - \$33503 Hendricks BMW + 251.48 Raffle Tickets

Attachment "B"

NCLF President's Report

5/06/2006

First, I would like to thank all of the Lion volunteers that were at Camp Dogwood for Cleanup week. You did a great job! The work you did can be measured in dollars of savings. You have the camp looking good and ready for occupancy. Many thanks to all!

The Camping season is ready to begin! We should have our staff in place within the next couple of weeks with the approval of a couple more counselors. We would like to have a few more volunteers. We do have some first timers this year.

White Cane Funds are close but slightly under last year at \$604,000. We think our goals are still within reach.

The Camp Dogwood Raffle is running ahead of last year at \$112,000. We continue to ask all clubs to try to meet the goal of three books per member.

This afternoon at 3:00 o'clock we will have a caucus on the upcoming Budget. Please plan to attend so your questions can be answered. I remind you that we do and will continue to work with a balanced budget. The proposed budget will meet that goal.

The General Session will start Sunday at 12:00 Noon. Registration will take place today and again Sunday morning with a cutoff time at 12:00 Noon. So please don't wait to register as a delegate or alternate and be caught short, that deadline will stand.

Respectfully submitted,

Carlton Metts

President NCLF

Attachment "C"

2006 NC Lions State Convention

Preliminary Report

May 4, 2006

Lions & Guests:

On behalf of my co-chair PDG Ed Shivers and convention committee thanks for your participation in making 2006 NC Lions Convention a success.

As you are aware there are many expenses in putting on a convention. After a slow beginning, ad sales began to come in strong. The Lions of Multiple 31 came through. Thanks to each Lion who sold and businesses that supported Lionism.

In my final report to be given in August, this committee will make some suggestions on how to reduce the expenses. The committee which I serve with deserves high praise for their dedication and hard work. It was an honor to serve with them.

The grand total of registrations was 419, total of meals served 1,057

Attendance by Districts

<u>District</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Total</u>
2T-1	2	31-G	67
31-A	30	31-H	53
31-B	52	31-J	66
31-C	19	32-A	2
31-D	41	35-1	2
31-E	30	<u>Misc</u>	6
31-F	49	<u>Grand Total</u>	419

The seminars were well attended and very successful. Thanks to Dist Governor Elect George Holston who worked hard in organizing them. This convention would not have run as smooth without the partnership of Co-Chair PDG Ed Shivers.

Again thanks for allowing me to serve.

David C. Boyd Jr.

2006 NC Lions State Convention Co-Chair

2006 NC State Convention
Financial Statement as of 5/3/06

Income

Beginning Balance	\$ 4.80
Ads	16,800.00
Family Fun Night	3,990.00
Tail Twister's Breakfast	3,880.00
Past District Governor's Luncheon	1,628.00
District Governor's Banquet	8,208.00
Tail Twister's Tickets & Auction	3,638.00
Golf Tournament	1,260.00
State Council Advance	<u>6,000.00</u>
Total	\$45,408.80

Expenses

Meal Refunds	449.00
Supplies	681.53
Golf Tournament	1170.00
Room, meals, etc for 1 st VP	1001.06
Entertainment	200.00
Decorations	<u>614.18</u>
Total	4,115.77

Bank Balance 41,293.03

Unpaid Ads	875.00
Amount owed Greenville Hilton	22,585.46
Amount owed for programs (est.)	<u>1,800.00</u>
Balance after paying expenses (est.)	\$17,737.53

Robert L. Ham
Convention Treasurer

BOYS AND GIRLS HOMES OF NC
QUARTERLY REPORT

May 6, 2006

Hickory, NC

As I reported at the February meeting, the Lions Cottage suffered smoke damage as the result of a dryer fire. The boys are now back in the Cottage sporting a new paint job in living, dining and laundry rooms. This has eliminated one of the remodeling projects we need to complete.

On the list of projects needing to be completed: a major restaurant chain is considering the donation of a commercial dishwasher and refrigerator; a Troy Lion has volunteered to replace the old kitchen and staff apartment windows; two pool tables were donated by Southland Amusements and we are on the way to replacing the Lion Cottage's 15-passenger van with a new mini-van, with a donation from NCLF and a possible donation from a Lions Club. The Kiwanis were able to replace the roof on their Cottage, CAN THE LIONS DO THE SAME? We have been working on obtaining a donation of carpeting for the House Parents apartment; does anyone have a carpeting contact? I have enclosed the project list for your consideration and potential help.

I think one of the highlights of the 83rd NC Lions State Convention was the Friday night "Fun Night" with the Boys and Girls Homes Ensemble. The seven children that were able to join the fun and get the Lions involved in some outstanding upbeat singing. We all need to extend our thanks to the boys and girls for their hard work, to give us some outstanding entertainment.

Thank you for allowing me to serve!

Yours in Lionism,

W. Brad Logsdon, PDG

Lions Cottage Remodeling Projects Winter 2006

(Revised 2/8/06)

Cottage Project	Labor	Material	Projected Cost
30 year Hickory Roofing Shingles installation (Project for spring 07) - - - LIONS DO WORK (quote from another similar Roof project on campus)	\$ 9,000	6,811.29	\$15,811.29
Dishwasher for Lions Cottage Kitchen		\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00
Commercial refrigerator - - - POSSIBLE DONATION		\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00
Interior Painting - (Private contractor) -Living and Dining Rooms - - - COMPLETED	\$1,000	\$ 300.00	\$1,300.00
Renovating Resident Bathrooms (2 sets) (Robert Nye Construction is completing this same project at Rotary Cottage in March 06)	\$18,020.40 60%	\$ 12,013.60 40%	\$ 30,034.00
Interior Painting (Private Contractor) Paint resident room closets and ceilings	\$ 800.00	\$ 200.00	\$1,000.00
Repair or Replace Vertical Blinds in Lions Dining Room.		\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Replace interior wall paneling along the front of the cottage.	\$700	\$400	\$1,100.00
Carpet installation - Staff office			1,600.00
Replace old windows Kitchen and staff apt. Windows - - - VOLUNTER OFFER		\$ 2,900	\$ 2,900.00
			\$ 47,545.29

Lions Cottage Needs List - Winter 2006

(Revised 2/7/06)

Cottage Needs List	Estimated
	Cost
Cottage vehicle - Mini Van - - - NCLF, PLUS POSSIBLE CLUB DONATION	\$18,000.00
3 Computer Desks for the Game Room	\$1,000.00
Pool Table - - - DONATED TWO (Donated by Southland Amusements 2.8.06)	\$ 2,500.00
Entertainment Center	\$ 700.00
Couch Cushions	\$ 700.00
New Outdoor Grill	\$ 500.00
Remaining balance	\$ 20,900.00

Attachment "E"

Marthe Butler

From: Carolyn Carnahan [ccarnahan@ELIADA.org]

Sent: Friday, May 05, 2006 9:33 AM

To: davmarbutler@citcom.net

Cc: Linda Humphrey

Subject: Lions Cottage update

Made possible by the generous support of the Lions Club, Lions Cottage at Eliada Home continues to be an important resource for the children of our region who require a more intensive level of care and supervision than other residential cottages can provide. Lions Cottage has provided a safe, structured environment in which many young people have found their paths to success.

One of these children was Suzie, a teenage girl of Cherokee descent. Suzie had serious depression, self-esteem, and mental health problems that culminated in suicidal tendencies. After trying numerous different treatment approaches, Lions counselors finally decided to attempt something new. In the Cherokee tradition they decided to try a 'circle of trust", in which Suzie was surrounded by her family, counselors, and even by elders in the Cherokee tribe! This was a very moving intervention for Suzie. Hearing how much her community and family supported and cared about her was a powerful experience- one that made a significant difference in her treatment and progress. Now, Lions counselors report that Suzie has newfound hope for the future, and is happier than they have ever seen her. Thanks to the generous support of the Lions Club, Eliada is able to find innovative ways to help young people like Suzie reach towards success. Thank you, Lions!

•to protect her privacy, the name of the client has been changed

Carolyn Carnahan

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Attachment "F"

The Multiple District 31 Constitution & By-Laws
Committee Report

May 6, 2006

The North Carolina Lions Multiple District 31 Constitution & By-Laws Committee, in its capacity as an advisory committee to both the Council of Governors, met at 12:00 noon on November 12, 2005, in Charlotte, North Carolina. Our recommendations were approved by the Council of Governors, were published in the Lions Newspaper, and subsequently reported to the General Membership Meeting of the State Convention. As Committee Chairman, I addressed the General Membership Meeting at the State Convention in Greenville, NC on Sunday, April 23, 2006, seeking their approval of the following changes to our Constitution & By-Laws:

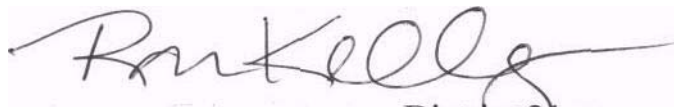
(A) The Committee recommended that Constitution Article V, State Council, Section 1, and By-Laws Article 1, Section 7, relating to the State Council Chairperson Selection Process, be amended eliminating the requirement that any Past District Governor seeking the position of Council Chair must have served as such during the past five (5) years and changed the time frame when the selection process was to commence from September 30th to December 31st. The selection of the Council Chair would then be made at the February State Council Meeting. Also, it was recommended that the Council Chair position be upgraded to being a voting member of the Council of Governors and it was further recommended that the Council Chair, while so serving, be precluded from concurrently serving as a chairperson of any statewide committee.

(B) The Committee recommended that two additional sentences be added to Article III, Section 9, relating to the job description of the Nominating Committee. The new language sought to enlist the committee members in assisting their District Governors in seeking qualified candidates for the position of Council Chair.

(C) Lastly, the Committee recommended that the first sentence of Article VIII, Section 2, be amended to include the Council Chairperson as a member of the Committee for the Promotion of North Carolina at the International Convention.

All these amendments were approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Ronald F. Kelly
District 31

Ronald F. Kelly DGE District-31-F
Chair, State Constitution & By-Laws Committee

May 7, 2006

By-Laws Committee
Report to the North Carolina Lions Foundation
Re: Amendment to the By-Laws

At its meeting on November 13, 2005, the North Carolina Lions Foundation requested a modification to Article VI, Section 3, regarding Membership. The Committee, mindful of the discussion and the charge given to it, **recommends the following:**


The current language of Article VI, Section 3, of the North Carolina Lions Foundation reads:

"Persons purchasing a Life Membership may designate such contribution to be placed in the Foundation's Endowment Fund. Only earned interest from this fund will be used for current Foundation obligations. In the absence of specific designations, Life Membership contributions will be placed in the general operating fund of the Foundation. All other membership contributions will be placed in the general operating fund of the Foundation."

The Committee recommends that the current language of Section 3, of Article VI, MEMBERSHIP, be eliminated and replaced by the following single sentence:

Section 3: All membership contributions will be placed in the general operating fund of the Foundation.

Respectfully submitted,



**Ronald F. Kelly, DGE District 31-F
Chair, NCLF By-Laws Committee**

April 23, 2006
Constitution & By-Laws Committee

Presentation to the General Membership at the State Convention re: Amendments to the Multiple District 31 Constitution & By-Laws

At the General Meeting on February 11, 2006, the Council of Governors approved the language proposed by the Constitution & By-Laws Committee to amend the Constitution & By-Laws with regard to the selection of a Council Chairperson. These changes were subsequently published in the Lions newspaper pursuant to Article VI, Section 2 of the By-Laws and are today being submitted to the general membership of the State Convention for their consideration.

Selection of a Council Chairperson

The current language of Article V, State Council, Section 1 of the Multiple District 31 Constitution reads:

"The Council Chairperson position shall be filled by an active Past District Governor with preference given to the immediate Past District Governor who has not served as Council Chairperson. Consideration may also be given to any active Past District Governor who has served during the past five (5) years and has not served as Council Chairperson."

The Committee recommends that the last sentence of the above paragraph be rewritten to read as follows:

"Consideration may also be given to any active Past district Governor who has not served as Council Chairperson."

The current language of By-Laws Article 1, Section 7, relating to the State Council Chairperson Selection Process reads as follows:

"Past District Governors interested in the position of Council Chairperson shall submit their name and resume of service by September 30th to the State Council Secretary/Treasurer. After certifying qualifications, the names and copies of resumes are to be submitted to the currently serving Vice District Governors no later than October 15th."

The currently serving Vice District Governors will interview each candidate and make their selection by the majority of a secret ballot. One Vice District Governor shall act as spokesperson for the group during these interviews.

The selection of the Council Chairperson shall be made at the November State Council Meeting.

The Council Chairperson so selected will be a non-voting member of the Council of Governors."

The Committee recommends that By-Laws Article 1, Section 7, relating to the State Council Chairperson Selection Process be rewritten to read as follows:

"Past District Governors interested in the position of Council Chairperson shall submit their

name and resume of service by December 31st to the State Council Secretary/Treasurer. After certifying qualifications, the names and copies of resumes are to be submitted to the currently serving Vice District Governors no later than January 20th."

The currently serving Vice District Governors will interview each candidate and make their selection by the majority of a secret ballot. One Vice District Governor shall act as spokesperson for the group during these interviews. The selection of the Council Chairperson shall be made at the February State Council Meeting. The Council Chairperson so selected will be a voting member of the Council of Governors and while so serving shall not concurrently serve as a chairperson of any statewide committee."

The current language of Article III, Section 9, relating to the description of the duties of the Nominating Committee, reads as follows:

"The Committee shall seek qualified Lions of North Carolina to serve in the elected offices of the Multiple District. It shall encourage these Lions to offer themselves in service. It shall present a qualified slate of nominees at the appropriate State Meeting."

The Committee recommends that two (2) additional sentences be added to the above job description as follows:

"Also, members of this committee will assist their District Governors in seeking qualified active Past District Governors as candidates for the position of State Council Chairperson. Such candidates' names and resumes of service shall be submitted to the State Council Secretary/Treasurer by December 31st."

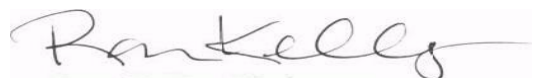
The first sentence of Article VTII, Section 2 of the Multiple District 31 Constitution reads:

"The Committee for the Promotion of North Carolina at the International Convention shall be composed of the District Governors and each District Governor shall appoint one additional member to the Committee from his District."

The Committee recommends that the first sentence of Article VIII, Section 2, Committee for the Promotion of North Carolina at the International Convention be amended to read as follows:

"The Committee for the Promotion of North Carolina at the International Convention shall be composed of the Council Chairperson, the District Governors, and each District Governor shall appoint one additional member to the Committee from their District."

Respectfully Submitted,



Ron Kelly, Chairman State Constitution & By-Laws Committee

Attachment "G"

DIABETES AWARENESS

Diabetes awareness is a task that the Lions of North Carolina must take very serious. We must remember the Lion's mission statement and work to put it in action. The statement is:

"To conduct and support local and large scale efforts leading to the control and treatment of diabetes and its complications through education, prevention and research"

North Carolina has a population of over eight million residents. Of this eight million, 26% (two million) have never had a diabetes test., 8.2% (660,044) have been diagnosed diabetic, 2.5% (201,232) are undiagnosed diabetics, and 6.2% (499,051) are pre-diabetic. Since 1995, we have had a 76% increase in diagnosed diabetes.

If we combine the totals for undiagnosed diabetes and pre-diabetes, we would have over seven hundred thousand residents who need to know about their diabetes, the proper medical care of diabetes, and ways to slow the onset of diabetes. We must use our resources and our energy to decrease the possible effects of this increase in diabetes.

The challenge to the LIONS of North Carolina is to inform the citizen of our communities of the ways and the need to slow or stop the increase of diabetes.

Thank You

William Barnwell, Chairman

Attachment "H"

North Carolina Statewide Extension Activity Report
By: State Extension Chair, Lion Houston Henderson PDG
May 6, 2006—Hickory, North Carolina

At the last council meeting in Greenville, North Carolina we reviewed the challenge we accepted for the year. At that time we had accepted the challenge of one new Lions Club per district for the year 2005-2006. We had accepted the challenge and we still had it; little or no battle, at least no success.

In February, we made some pledges as to what we would offer before June 30, 2006. Well, you know what; some of those pledges are beginning to be fulfilled. We have two new clubs chartered, one will have an organization meeting next week, and at least five, and I'm told, possible by June 30.

I believe there's some spark left in Lionism in North Carolina; but after looking at the last membership report for the state which shows there is only one district over 1200 members and no district over 1250, we need to fan that spark, we need to rekindle that fire and see if we can get a flame going again. What are you going to do to extend the service of Lionism in your district between now and the end of your year? WE DO STILL HAVE TIME.

I hope most of you already have your official visits done and can take a deep breath and lead your team for the rest of the year. You can organize and charter a lions club in 6 weeks. As has been said, it takes TEAMWORK!! We have the TEAMS; do we have the WORK?

I believe, based on the reports of "possibilities", we must have already made some important contacts in the areas. Let's follow-up, let's accelerate, let's see who can organize and charter a new club before June 30, 2006.

And to the District Governors elect, do you want to be a member of Ross's Rangers? You can be an important part of the team between now and the end of the year and be a member of this elite group. Find out how.

Thank you for allowing me to serve!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Houston Henderson". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

Attachment "I"

Report to State Council
May 6, 2006

From: PDG Robert W. Moorehead, State Leadership Chair

- 1) The dates for the VDG/DGE elect training have been picked. The first session will be Friday and Saturday May 12 & 13, 2006. The other two sessions will be the first weekend in December 2006, and the final session will be the last weekend in February 2007.
- 2) An agenda for this session has been mailed out.
- 3) It has been a pleasure to have served for the last three years as the Leadership Development Chair.

Attachment "J"

ORIENTATION REPORT
MAY 6, 2006
EDWARD D. SHIVERS, III
MD-31 ORIENTATION CHAIRMAN

THANK YOU COUNCIL CHAIR BRAD. GOOD MORNING GOVERNORS, PIDS,
FELLOW LIONS AND GUESTS.

AS YOU MAY WELL KNOW, MD-31 WILL NOT HAVE AN ORIENTATION
COMMITTEE NEXT YEAR, BUT ORIENTATION WILL BE INCLUDED AS A PART
OF RETENTION. I FEEL THAT THIS IS A MISTAKE, AS I STRONGLY BELIEVE
THAT ORIENTATION IS NOT ONLY A KEY TO RETENTION BUT MEMBERSHIP AS
A WHOLE.

DISTRICT GOVERNORS ELECT SHOULD INSURE THAT THEIR CLUBS UTILIZE
ORIENTATION AS PART OF THEIR MEMBERSHIP/RETENTION PROGRAM NEXT
YEAR. A WELL INFORMED INDIVIDUAL ABOUT LIONISM IS MORE LIKELY TO
BECOME A LION AND ONCE A LION STAY A LION. WHAT EVER CLUBS OR LIONS
DO THEY SHOULD NOT DISCUSS QUOTAS WITH PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS OR NEW
MEMBERS, WHETHER IT BE MEMBERS OR MONEY. SELL WHAT WE DO, BOTH IN
OUR
COMMUNITIES AND IN LIONS SERVICES.

ORIENTATION SHOULD START WITH THE SPONSOR ON CONTACT WITH A
PROSPECTIVE MEMBER. PROVIDE THE PROSPECTIVE MEMBER GENERAL
INFORMATION ON LIONISM AND SPECIFICS ON WHAT LIONS DO IN THE LOCAL
COMMUNITY.

A PROSPECTIVE MEMBER ORIENTATION SHOULD BE PROVIDED. A NEW
MEMBER ORIENTATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO INDIVIDUALS SHORTLY AFTER
BECOMING A MEMBER.

A BRIF REFRESHER SHOULD BE GIVEN TO ALL MEMBERS ONCE A YEAR.
UTILIZE THIS TO PROVIDE UPDATES ON PROGRAMS AND CHANGES.

THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SERVE THIS YEAR.

EDWARD SHIVERS, III

CHAIRMAN

Attachment "K"

State Promotion Committee

PDG Pat Roland, Chair

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your MD31 Promotions Chairperson this year. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving this year and meeting wonderful Lions throughout our state. I would like to thank all of the promotions committee members for your help in service.

As you look at the promotions inventory sheet you can see that I have sold almost everything in stock from this year that I ordered. We still have some shirts from last year, 2004-05. Our new purple golf and oxford shirts have sold the best this year.

Our international Parade Uniform has sold well. I have only 4 small red vests left and a few white oxford shirts. All of the Derby hats are sold, with only a few white ball caps left. We should be well dressed for the parade in Boston.

Again, thank you Lions,

In Service,

Lion Pat

PROMOTIONS INVENTORY 4/24/06 [after state convention]

MEN'S

60/40% Long Sleeve	\$20.00 ea.	60/40% Short Sleeve
S	7	1
M	7	3
L	3	0
XL	0	2
1XL	0	0
2XL	0	0
3XL	0	0

Women's 60/40% Long Sleeve \$20.00 ea.\$	60/40% Short Sleeve
S	0
M	5
L	2
XL	0
1XL	0
2XL	0
3XL	0

RED VEST \$15.00 ea

S	4	1XL	0
M	0	2XL	0
L	0	3XL	0
XL	0		

Caps \$10.00 ea
 White 10
 Maroon/gray 2
 Green/gray 7
 Blue/C.Blue 0

Derby Hats @\$20.00 ea,
 0 total

BLU	OXFORD SHIRTS \$22.00	e	PURPLE OXFORD
S	2		0
M	0		0
L	0		0
XL	7		0
1XL	0		0
2XL	0		0
3XL	0		0

GO	SHIRT	WOPOCKETS small-x-laree-\$22.00,				2X&	3X-S24.00
Nav	Green	Burgundy	Red	Yellow Beige		Purple/women	
S 1	2	0	0	1	1	0	
M 2	4	5	1	1	0	0	
L 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
XI 0	0	0	1	0	5	0	
1x1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
2x1	0	0	0	0	0	1	
3x1	0	0	0	0	0	1	

GO	SHIRT	WITH POCKETS				
Nav	Green	Burgundy	Red	Yellow Beige		Purple/men
S 2	1	0	0	1	4	0
M 0	0	0	0	0	0	0
L 0	0	0	0	0	0	0
XL 0	4	2	0	0	0	0
1x1	0	0	0	0	0	0
2x1	0	0	0	0	0	0
3x1	0	0	0	0	0	0

Attachment "L"

Statewide Retention Committee Report
I. Frank Brooks Jr. PDG
MD-31 Retention Committee Chairperson
May 6, 2006

Council Members,

Membership growth and retention are two very significant issues facing the Lions of North Carolina currently. If we are to improve our image and place in society, and continue serving our communities, we must find ways to successfully manage these critical issues.

It is the responsibility of each Lion to recruit new members and constantly nurture and retain our existing membership. We have been asked and taught to do this since accepting the oath when we first joined the ranks of Lionism. We must wake up and challenge ourselves to invite more people into Lionism and re-educate our existing membership to the many exciting positive changes that are coming. The more we are, the more we can do as members of the world's greatest service organization.

The decline in our membership is not the fault of any past or present Council, Committee, District Governors or any one entity. We cannot blame this crisis on any group or individuals, but AS a group AND individuals, find answers as soon as possible to correct our situation.

In closing, I thank the sitting Council of Governors, Statewide Committee Chairs, and all Lions of North Carolina for all the hard work, dedication, determination and enthusiasm as we return North Carolina to its prominence in Lionism.

It has been a distinct privilege and honor to serve this year as your Statewide Retention Chairperson and I look forward to continuing to serve with our incoming Council of Governors, Committees and all the great Lions of North Carolina. Thanks for all of your support and all that you do for Lionism.

Respectfully Submitted,

I. Frank Brooks ,Jr; PDG

Statewide Retention Chairperson, MD-31

Attachment "M"

May 4, 2006

To: MD 31 Council of Governors

From: Lion Harvey Whitley, PCC

Re: Faculty Development Institute, LCI

I have been nominated and accepted as one of only 20 participants in the inaugural USA Faculty Development Institute which takes place in Oklahoma City June 1-4,2006. The purpose of this Institute is to prepare qualified instructors who can organize and lead leadership training institutes in our own multiple as well assist in other multiples.

All expenses are paid by LCI except for travel. I would like to request that the **Council** assist me with the necessary travel costs to attend this function.

Yours in Lionism,

Harvey F. Whitley, PCC