

North Carolina Lions, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
Sunday, November 13, 2022
Camp Dogwood
Sherrills Ford, NC

Call to order by President Skippy Jackson at 9:00am

Prayer was offered by NCLI Chaplain Harvey Whitley during earlier devotions.

2nd Vice President Wayne Faber led Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Remarks:

President Skippy stated that he has no opening remarks because all the items will be presented by committee chairs and other officers during the meeting.

President Skippy recognized the members of the International Family who were present:

- Gwen White
 - As a Past International Director, she, Harvey, and Lacy have a lifetime commitment to serve the Lions of the world and especially the Lions of North Carolina. Anyone can contact them to help as needed.
- Harvey Whitley
Lacy Presnell

President Skippy also introduced special guests Angie, Steven, and Hayden Tolley, Lion Judy's family from Jonesboro, TN. Hayden is president of the East Tennessee State University Lions Club. He was diagnosed as legally blind in one eye when he was about five years old. He wore a patch for four years and his vision was corrected to 20/20 with contacts. With this history, he is pursuing a career as an eye doctor. He helped his club along with the Johnson City Lions Club develop a children's screening program at the Little Bucs Day Care. He and his parents are visiting the camp to gain more information about North Carolina's KidSight USA program to share in Tennessee, to evaluate the camp as a possible location for triathlon meets, and to take more information back to fellow students at ETSU about the summer counselor positions available.

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Minutes were emailed this week. Minutes were amended to read the motion to approve the minutes of the October Board of Directors meeting was made by PDG George Suggs, seconded by 1st VDG Carlie Metts. Motion to approve as amended by Member at Large PDG George Suggs, seconded by Member at Large PDG Neal Alexander. Motion passed.

Roll Call:

- Present in Person: President Skippy Jackson, 1st VP Steve McLaurin, 2nd VP Wayne Faber, Immediate Past President Karl Ernst, Secretary Laraine Dupree, Treasurer Carolyn Sprinkle, Council Chair Paul Marth, Executive Director Carlton Metts, Camp Administrator Tammy (31-L)Thomas, DG Marilyn Wunderler (31-L), 1st VDG Susan Fernandez (31-L), 2nd VDG Dawson Hart, DG Bill Mathers (31-I), 1st VDG Kathy Poirier (31-I), 2nd VDG Mike Edwards (31-I), DG Gary Greene (31-O), 1st VDG Susan O'Brien (31-O), , DG Mayra McCloud (31-N), 1st VDG Carlie Metts (31-N), 2nd VDG Ana Elliott (31-N), DG Allen Swaim (31-S), 1st VDG Lorraine Dixon (31-S), 2nd VDG Jim Tobolski (31-S), At-Large Directors PDG Carlton Metts, PDG Neal Alexander and George Suggs. Committee Chairs Lion Eileen Artavia (Brighter Visions), PDG Curtis Erickson (Budget &

Finance), PDG Jimmy Myers (By-Laws), PDG Chris Headley (Camp Dogwood), PCC Joe Poirier (Clinical Eye Research), PCC Diane Whitley (MSU/KidSight), PDG George Suggs (Properties) PDG Paul Bledsoe (Public Information), PCC Paulette Gasperson (Sight & Hearing Conservation) and PDG Robert Carroll (Volunteers).

- Attending via Zoom: 2nd VDG Judy Keck (31-O), At-Large Board Member Jim Turner and At-Large Board Member Eddie Weaver
- Absent: Lion Anne Metts (Fellowship and Partners) (sick)
- Quorum is present.

Appointment of Parliamentarian: PID Harvey Whitley accepted.

Remarks by State Council Chairperson Paul Marth:

Council Chair Report to NCLI November 13, 2022

Three months have passed since our August meeting and the news from the Council is positive. At the meeting in August our Lions statewide membership was down 15 members from July 1 and I challenged our council to bring membership positive Statewide by our meeting today. We almost made it. As of November 11 we are even from our statewide total as of July 1. That means we have added 15 more members statewide than we lost since August. Several of our Districts do have positive membership for the year and we will have positive membership in our state this year for the first time in many years.

On September 24th and surrounding days we had our first, of what we hope will be an annual Lion's Day of Service. Clubs were challenged to conduct a service activity involving hunger relief. This day was very successful with a variety of activities from food drives, to provision of meals, filling of back packs and other similar projects. Based on information I have received to date, we collected at least 15 tons of food at least 100 clubs participated and over 1000 backpacks for children were filled. This council has encouraged future councils to continue this day of service and, I understand that next year's governors will be doing a September project dealing with vision. The hope is that over a five-year period all 5 areas of Lion's emphasis will be covered in these service projects and that persons across the State will become more familiar with Lions and what we do and consider partnering with us.

Mid-Winter Conventions begin next week with District L's convention in Asheville. All remaining conventions will be in January with District I in Greensboro on January 6-7, District N and S in Greenville, January 20-21 and District O in Greensboro on January 27-28. Some excellent speakers and seminars are being planned and we hope for a great turnout at these events. Registration forms for all Districts, other than District O, are available and District O's registration form should be available in the next week or so. Governors and their teams are actively visiting their clubs and service activities are continuing to increase from their Covid lows.

The Peace Poster project is well underway and submissions from club to the District Governors must be postmarked by November 15th. Those must then be judged by the District with the winning poster from each District postmarked and mailed to me no later than December 1, 2022.

Several of our Districts provided shipments of disaster relief supplies to Lions in Florida following the hurricane and other clubs have given monies to LCIF for hurricane relief. As of November 1, \$16,253 has been contributed by MD 31 to LCIF since July 1 and much of that money has been designated for disaster relief.

A Regional Lions Leadership Training grant has been approved by LCI and such training is scheduled for March 23-26, 2023 at Camp Dogwood. Each District will pay \$600 toward the cost of this institute and each participant \$30. When added to the grant monies, this should be sufficient to cover the costs of meals, lodging and materials. We are asking each District to fill 5 of the slots. Please encourage those with leadership potential to participate and give your recommendations to your District Governors.

The final piece of good news I am sharing today comes from Boys and Girls Homes. At our last meeting the Council took up the challenge of raising \$20,000 to help cover the cost to replace two therapy dogs that were tragically killed in a fire at the Boys and Girls Home facility. Other civic clubs joined that challenge as well. As of last week, that amount had been exceeded and the dogs are being trained. Thanks to each club that participated in this very successful effort.

One final announcement. The governors are gathering nominations for the North Carolina Lions Hall of Fame. If your club has any living Lions to recommend or any lions who have been deceased at least 5 years, please get a nomination form from your DG and submit that recommendation to your governor.

Thank you for the privilege of serving.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Marth, MD 31 Council Chair

Motion to accept the Council Chair's report by Secretary Laraine Dupree, seconded by IPP Karl Ernst; motion passed without opposition.

Executive Director's Report by PDG Carlton Metts

BOD Meeting

Executive Director's Report

November 13, 2022

Activities: Off season usage was good for the month of July at \$75,000. Hearing Aids as usual at this time of the year is always light at 28. Canes were also above normal with 181 sent out which is about one half sent out a year ago. Eyeglasses donated was at 31K up approximately 18K for the month.

Cash Flow: Cash in for the quarter \$285K and cash out \$198K little above normal due to very contributions from BV Workshops.

Investments: Prior Year \$2.1 Million, last period \$1.55M and this period \$1.6Million with a gain for the Month of \$69K, unrealize loss at \$259K YTD. CDs at First Citizens and Raymond James totaling \$1.24M will show losses until maturity, so they are in the beginning stage, nothing out of the ordinary happening here.

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Balance Sheet: Cash and Cash Equivalents \$4,691, Receivables \$32K, Property and Equipment \$3M, Other \$54K, Total Unrestricted \$3.1M, Temporary Restricted 1.58M, Temporary Investments \$106K. Total Temporary Restricted \$1.68M, Permanently Restricted cash and equivalents \$46K, Temporary Investment \$214K, Investments \$1.65M, Total Permanently restricted \$1.92M and total asset \$6.75M, Unrestricted Liabilities \$83K. Total net assets \$5.98M with Liabilities \$5.95M

Awards: Woolard's YTD is seven with four in Districts S and three in District I.

Stickley YTD four with one in 31-I, two 31-N and one progressive in 31-S.

Scruggs YTD is four with three in 31-I and One in 31-O.

Ambassador YTD is one and that one is in 31-I.

MSU/KidSight: Adults screened 220 with 107 referred, Screened by District complete 30 with 21 being in District 31-O Children screened 2887 with 490 referrals, scheduled screening by month is 47 total with the most in District 31-O, Hearing screenings 200 and 74 referrals, screenings remaining is 22.

VSP Vouchers: YTD 177. (VSP@nclionsinc.org available for applications for vouchers)

Camp Directors Report presented by Camp Director Tammy Thomas

November 2022

Camp Dogwood was represented last week at the SC Chapter of the Association for the Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired Conference. Teachers and Social Workers from across SC gathered to learn about Camp Dogwood.

We are continuing our plans for summer 2023. Applications will be ready to distribute soon. Counselor and support staff employment ads have gone out. Fingers crossed potential staff will start knocking on our doors.

I would like to ask the Exec. Committee to offer...

Weeks 7. July 23-July 27 as a Family Camp. All ages of youth may attend with a parent or guardian.

Week 8 July 30 as a Teen Camp. Limit ages 13-17.

I would also like to ask that we, Camp Dogwood NOT require Campers, Staff or Volunteers to be Vaccinated for Covid. We have struggled the past two years to obtain

volunteers. I personally know of several that have not volunteered due to the Covid Vaccine Requirement.

I would however ask that we include the following in our application. This is borrowed from the VIP Application.

Waiver and Compliance

In accordance with Executive Order 116, enacted March 10, 2020 and Session Law 2020-89 House Bill 118 Covid 19 I understand and agree that Covid 19 is a serious national pandemic/endemic that the NC North Carolina Lions Inc., Lions International, and volunteers have taken certain measures to mitigate in holding Summer Camp at Camp Dogwood. However, nothing can be absolutely safe during this environment and I accept the risk that I may be exposed and may contract Covid 19 by participating in this event. NC Lions Inc. /Camp Dogwood has mitigated through steps of social distancing, outside activities as much as possible, voluntary mask use, and the encouragement of personal responsibility in taking preventive measures before attending the NC Lions Inc. /Camp Dogwood. I also certify that if I am exposed to any known source or contact that has tested positive for Covid 19 within the 14-day period prior to the Sunday that I am to attend, I will notify Camp Dogwood Director. Group events like this inherently contain risk of contact with other people, and the possibility of transmitting or receiving Covid 19, and I expressly waive and absolve the organization, volunteers, Lions clubs, and the sponsors, in all their various entities of any legal action, complaint, or demand for damages brought by me or my assigns or beneficiaries. When the NC Lions Inc. /Camp Dogwood accepts this application, I, the undersigned, do hereby release and discharge the NC Lions Inc. /Camp Dogwood, and any of its agents, affiliates, employees, and servants from any and all claims, liabilities, demands, or rights which I, or any of my friends or relatives, may have against said Organization or its agents, affiliates, employees, or servants on account of connecting with or growing out of any injury, accident, loss, or damage or suffering, I or my immediate family may hereafter sustain arising out of acceptance of this application I have read, or caused to be read to me, the foregoing and do hereby acknowledge that I fully understand each and every part thereof. I acknowledge these regulations and agree to abide by them.

This the _____ day of _____, 2022

_____(Printed Name)

_____(Signature)

_____(Witness)

Dogwood on Lake Norman

Reservations are slowing a little for the last 6 weeks of the year. But this is normal around the holidays. This will give us the opportunity to deep clean the property and buff and wax the floors.

It will also hopefully give us time to replace the kitchen manager and hire part time staff.

Septic/Sewer updates have been completed. The air handler has been completed and now the ceiling work will be scheduled for Udovich.

Staffing

Staffing continues to be an issue. We have reached out to Mitchell Community College Culinary Program as well as Feed NC, Culinary Job Program. Still no leads. We are now in need of a Kitchen Manager once again.

Motion to accept the Camp Administrator's report made by 2nd VP Wayne, seconded by 1st VP Steve; motion passed.

Motion made to implement the Covid waiver by DE Allen, seconded by 1st VDG Carlie; motion passed without opposition.

Old Business:

1. Reports of AD-Hoc Committee:
 - a. MSU Ad-Hoc Committee by Carlton Metts
 - i. Final report. Program is well established.
 - ii. President Skippy will disband this committee.
2. Search Committee:
 - a. Carlton Metts will serve two more years as executive director if necessary.
 - b. President Skippy is disbanding the search committee.

New Business:

1. Report of Nominations Committee by PCC Bob Sprinkle for Chair PDG Paul Silverman
 - a. Election of Council Chair for 2024 – 2025
 - i. Two candidates
 - ii. PDG George Suggs elected Council Chair for 2024-2025
 - b. Election of Promotions Chair 2023 – 2024 Gary Steele
 - c. NCLI
 - i. Letter of intent from DG Bill Mathers for 2nd VP 2023 – 2024
2. PID Gwen White reminded everyone of the Golf Ball drop on November 21, 2022, at 3:30pm at Sea Scape Golf Course.
3. Communications: None
4. **Treasurer's report** presented by Treasurer Carolyn Sprinkle.

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Prepared by
Carlton Metts
Executive Director

5. Recommendations from the Executive Committee:

- a. In house drug testing being recommended for new hires.
 - i. Quicker turn-around time for results (less than 5 minutes)
 - ii. Lower cost
 - iii. Any accident -related need for drug testing will be sent to LabCorp or another 3rd party facility.

Motion to implement in-house drug testing by 1st VDG Kathy, seconded by 2nd VP Wayne; motion passed.

Committees Operating Under Second Vice-President Wayne Faber

- **Clinical Eye Research:** PCC Joe Poirier
State Clinical Eye Research NCLI Report

November 13, 2022

I have emailed the 5 District Eye Research Chairpersons for any updates from their District. Lion Brad Logsdon, District 31-O, replied that he had reached out to Duke University Eye Research Center, Wake University Eye Research Center and The University of North Carolina Eye Research Center. Lion Brad requested information on any projects they are working on at this time. Lion Brad received a reply from The University of North Carolina and is waiting for more information from them. Lion Brad advised that he will be reaching out to get an update from

the three eye research centers. Last October 2021, I met with Wake Forest Eye Research Center and was advised that they are in the process of building a new eye research center that would be a free-standing facility to provide services for pediatric surgeries as well as other diagnostic procedures. When more information is available, they will advise what they would like the Lions of North Carolina to do. At that time, I will report on their progress.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph A. Poirier, PCC

NCLI State Clinical Eye Research Chairperson

- **MSU/KidSight:** PCC Diane Whitley and PDG Curtis Erickson, Co-Chair reported.

1. Questions about the committee
 - a. Should Bryan Hoover be chair? There is strong inclination toward a volunteer as opposed to a paid staff member.
 - b. The chair needs to run the program, not be a screener but a trainer.
 - c. Contacting schools, daycares, etc. for screening.
 - d. PDG Curtis still believes the MSU unit needs to be parked as not a feasible cost with 5 other vans now on the road (black out tents needed)
2. Districts – Best Lions program for our state in a longtime.
 - a. Zone chairs need to be trained KidSight screeners and trainers. This is to help vision coordinators.
 - b. Clubs already screening schools need to report numbers to committee chair. We need 60,000 school screenings for state program. Need them to help train screeners and be on vision committees in district. ****Need vision committees in all districts; one person can't do this.
 - c. Start small with daycares, food banks, charter schools to train Lions. Schools can come slowly if we get all club screeners now to report numbers.
 - d. Be passionate about the program: Each district convention should have vision screening training.

- **Properties: PDG George Suggs**

Camp Dogwood Properties

Stickley Building

Men's Bathroom Downstairs needs painting

White Building

All Gutters need to be replaced and have gutter guard on them. The Gutters in the front have pulled away and the facial board are rotten. This is a serious issue that needs repaired ASAP. The gutters in the back have been stopped up so long the water has come over the gutters and formed a troth in the ground the whole length of the building. The lattice on the bottom of the screen porch is rotten. Needs replacing. The small saplings growing behind the building need to be cut. This can be done with pruners at this time but if we wait, they will need chain saws.

Duplex's

All Gutters need to be replaced and gutter guard installed. Need Ramp on #1 so that the Mett's can enter and exit without getting hurt. Requesting ASAP.

Stables

Building needs to be scraped and then painted. Water is penetrating the siding and starting to cause a problem with the boards. All Doors need to be adjusted and cleaned to make it easier to open and close. Need to do away with an extension cord that is hanging on the end of the building. Use to be for an electric fence. Needs Pea Gravel put down in the back of the building over top of the gravel that is there now. The rock that's there is a trip hazard.

Bus

The bus needs a roof over it. We recommend building a 20x 40 Building next to the maintenance Building to accommodate the Bus and the Boats. To get them out of the weather. The sun and weather will damage these vehicles.

Fence at road

The fence needs to be washed. We recommend soap and water and a sponge or brush. No pressure washers.

Well House

Well house needs a new roof.

Udavich Building

The railing on the ramps need painting to prevent rust. The gazebo needs a fire extinguisher. The windowsills also need painting. Needs new gutters with gutter guard. The drains for the air conditioners coming through the attic need screen wire on end to keep varmints from entering and building in the pipes. Also recommend regular scheduled maintenance of drain pans in attic. Sheetrock has to be replaced where been leaking. Need to cut the trees in behind the dorm before they get any bigger. They are easy to cut now but as they get bigger it will be a big expense in the future.

Lineberger Building

Needs new gutters and gutter guards. The shingles are approaching the 20year mark. Need to be prepared for replacement. Needs the railings painted and the windowsills painted. We see a serious issue with the Bamboo growing up next to the building. It can go through concrete. this need to be addressed soon. Again, the trees behind the building need to be cut before they get too big.

Lodge

The sinks in the men and women's bathroom need to be replaced. They are leaking underneath. There is no heat in women or men's bathrooms. Need to look into this. The windows are in the process of being replaced by PDG Mike Flora.

Kitchen

The stove only has 2 eyes operating at this time out of 6. This needs to be replaced to help the staff be able to cook more items at a time. Instead, they are having to cook independently. The Deep fryer is a residential fryer. It can only cook a limited pond of items at a time. This needs to be replaced with a commercial fryer. When they go to cook French fries, they can only cook about a quarter of a pound at a time. With the new one they could cook 1 pound at a time. In time the refrigerator and freezer units will have to be replaced. They are still running the old freon at this time. Next year the hood compressors will have to be replaced.

Sidewalk areas

The drains are stopped up. Causing run off.

Submitted 11/15/2022.

PDG George Suggs

Properties Chair

Public Information Chair Report – 11/13/22

Prepared by: PDG Paul R. Bledsoe, Past President NCL, Inc.

Thank you very much for your continuing effort to support and promote our NC Lions Foundation. It has and will continue to be a focal point of things we do in our state to help those with disabilities and enhance their quality of life and well-being.

On the information front, we will have new brochures available for KidSight and Camp Dogwood. They will or have arrival very soon.

We are in the process of refreshing the websites for the foundation, Camp Dogwood and Dogwood on the Lake. These changes will reflect a fresh new look for the home pages of each site. The information and pull downs will practically remain the same. No major technical changes of links.

As you probably received, a new newsletter from the foundation last month, Brighter Vision's Digest. November's copy is coming next week. Please remember to pass along to club members.

So, we covered last report some of the basics of fundraising. Today, lets talk about "Improving membership."

Improving Membership...

There is a viable future for membership organizations that continue to evolve to meet the needs of their members. At the end of the day, it all boils down to return on investment. If each individual member feels that he or she is receiving value for money, then that's what really matters.

Ryan Tracey suggests in an "eLearning" article, in this age of social media whereby world of peers is only a tweet away, the benefits of joining a membership organization is rightly being questioned. He shared some insight with the advantages of joining membership organizations.

Twenty years ago, membership organizations were a crucial aspect of a professional's career. They opened up opportunities for networking and professional development that simply weren't matched by other sources. However, in this age of social media and a hyper connected global society, Tracey believes the benefits of membership are still relevant.

1. Professionalism. Lions offer a respected brand that has served communities all across the world for over 100 years. With the motto of We Serve, Lions Clubs International continues to reach out as a non-profit organization of professionals that are serious about what it does, helping others. And most importantly, 100% of donations go to its services.
2. Professional development opportunities, workshops and webinars on leadership and the needs within the community.
3. Sometimes we forget about the perks that can offered through member companies and businesses and the perks currently offered by Lions Club International. Right now, family memberships and a waiver of initiation fees.
4. Networking... Join networking clubs and attend local events to expand your club's identity within the community.
5. Provide a profile within the community by sponsoring or offering an article in a local magazine that raises you profile within the community.
6. Recognition. Make sure you award outstanding contributions or volunteers because they have made a difference within your community.

Wild Apricot a world membership software company, recommends through their research of non-profits struggling with growth and donations, a few tactics you can try to improve your growth and moving forward.

1. Lean into established digital channels such as direct mail, instant messaging, blogs, video conferencing, SMS Texts, social media sites, press release and display advertising.
2. To generate more revenue, diversify beyond membership. Find your friends, and allies and ask them to help you and your cause.
3. The biggest obstacle to growing membership and revenue are the potential members and donors not knowing your organization. Build your brand and revenue will come more easily.

A complete article on membership and donations will be included with the latest Brighter Visions Digest.

A new updated video for Brighter Visions for 2022, is available...NCLionsBV722.mov. Download the Brighter Visions Update 7/22 video on Vimeo... <https://vimeo.com/736961622>

Thank you,

PDG Paul Bledsoe, PP NCLI / Public Information Chair

- **Sight and Hearing Conservation:**

Sight & Hearing Conservation Report

November 13, 2022

Paulette Gasperson PCC

I have sent each District Chair a copy of their duties as a District Chair for Sight & Hearing.

District L: No report:

District I: She attended the August Council Meeting, and has begun sending monthly tips for Sight & Hearing to their monthly Newsletter starting in December and will continue for the months to come. She is also presenting programs to clubs in her District.

District O: He has been visiting clubs in his District with the First Vice

District Governor this is one way he can convey information about the NCLI's vision support program. He has been in touch with the social worker of two counties to worker closer with the VIPs.

District N: No report

District S: Reported from 15 Clubs that they are collecting eyeglasses, hearing aids, cell phones and buying eye glasses. Several clubs worked at the VIP Fishing Tournament. Apex Club is investing in a Service Dog. The clubs are busy with eye screening and taking VIPs where they need to go.

- **Volunteers:** PDG Robert Carroll
 - The volunteer chairman and Lion Tammy have not had a chance to meet with the properties chairman yet put we are supposed to meet on November 12 about two p.m. Lion Tammy and I are going to look over the camp so that we can make plans on what to do volunteer week; we know that we will always have power washing to do and glass sorting. Most of the time we have some painting, and we may have a little electrical work to do. I need to get in touch with Artie Seymour to see if he is going to be able to come after his knee surgery. Volunteer week is March 30 - April 3, 2023...Thanks Robert H, Carroll P, D,G

Motion to approve committee reports under 2nd VP Wayne was made by Dg Allen Swaim, 2nd by CC Paul Marth. Motion passed

Committees Operating Under First Vice President Steve McLaurin:

- **Brighter Visions:** presented by Lion Eileen Artavia.
 - \$190,205 donated to date.
 - Includes \$5,210 in memorials and honorariums.
 - 39 clubs have contributed 100% or more of their goal.
 - 141 clubs have not contributed!
 - Lion Michelle Gregory and PDG Jimmy Myers have requested donations to Brighter Visions in lieu of wedding gifts to honor their upcoming marriage if anyone would like to donate.
- **Camp Dogwood:** PDG Chris Headley
 - Need a lot of people to help sort eyeglasses during volunteer week.
 - PDG George has listed numerous items that need repair or attention.
 - Camp Dogwood raffle sales help fund the upkeep of the camp.
 - \$8,220 in receipts to date.
 - Several clubs have already reached the 3 books/member.
 - Everyone is encouraged to continue selling the raffle tickets.
- **By-Laws:** PDG Judge Jimmy Myers
 - Rewriting by-laws to conform to our actual practices, especially in the area of the state conventions. More will follow at the February meeting.
- **Fellowship & Partners:** Lion Carlton Metts presented the report.
Fellowships and Partners

Report

November 13, 2022

Good morning!

We are now in our second quarter of the year. This is normally a slower time of year, but we have had much success in awarding several Fellowships and Partners in Service.

The following breakdown of programs for this past quarter:

The Jack Stickley Fellowship has been presented to four Lions. Three at the beginning fellowship level with one going to District I and two going to District N. One at the second level was presented to a Lion in District S.

The William L. Woolard Partner in Service was awarded to five Lions at the Founder Level. Three going to District I and two going to District S. Two have been awarded at the Supporter Level which is the second step of progression with one going to District I and one going to District S. Total of seven presented for the quarter.

The Sid L. Scruggs Award has awarded three Lighthouses (the beginning level) with two going to District I and one to District O. One Steps to Service Award, the second level, has been presented in District I. Total of four presented for this quarter.

One Ambassador Award was presented to a Lion from District I.

Thank you to everyone who participated in awarding these Fellowships and Partners this past quarter. With the district midwinter conventions coming up starting this month hopefully we will have much success with awards being presented to deserving Lions in each district.

As a reminder all funds raised through the William L. Woolard Partner in Service Program is split 25% to programs and services and 75% goes to the endowment, the Sid L. Scruggs Program goes directly to Camp Dogwood to support the campers' program, the NC Ambassador Award goes directly to current programs and services and the Jack Stickley Fellowship goes into an endowment fund.

Please contact your district chair for more information or to schedule a presentation to your club. You can call the NCLI office to get brochures. They will be glad to mail them to you. Contact information for the district chairs is listed in the NCLI directory and all district directories.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne J. Metts

- **Pin Sales:** No information
- **Budget & Finance:** per IPP Curtis Erickson, chair.
NCLI Budget and Finance Report 11/13/22
PDG Curtis Erickson
NCLI Budget and Finance Chair

Revenue:

- Brighter Visions; Club Donations to budget -14633, other BV -8403, to last year +7650
- Camp Dogwood; to budget; -45108- use of camp -30654, to Last year -66795
- Other Revenue: -19876- line 3304 investments -21926- awards combined -6841, last year -13393
- Total Revenue; to Budget -79617, to last year -64134
- Revenue down mainly to time of year but suffering on investments like all companies. Use of camp down some should gain some momentum going into second quarter.

Expense:

- BV supplies; line 4220 +2524 to budget
- Total unrestricted expense; to budget -85675
- Maintenance; line 4600 A/C +4294 and line 4614 water/sewer +9220
- Other expense; line 4710 other expense TR +15531
- Total Expense; -48678 to budget
- Net; -43592 to Budget YTD, last year +46080 YTD
- Overall great job on expense need to know what other TR expense was.

Balance Sheet:

- Line 1711: 1,033,450 new building fund-Raymond Jones fund
- Line 1727: 135000- lost current at -28159 but this is a guarantee return fund.
- Line 2250: waste treatment fund- 121112, will need to use some funds for upgrades and maintenance of waste treatment.
- Line 2790: MSU Van 2- hickory collation use this already should be zero.
- Line 2791: HVAC fund used last year should be zero.

Summary:

Time of year affected many of the numbers, but always have concerns on negatives. Please feel free to contact myself or committee members on concerns. Need to adjust balance sheet on lines 2790 and 2791.

PDG Curtis Erickson

- Motion by CC Paul, second by 1st VDG Kathy Poirier to accept the reports under 1st VP Steve McLaurin. Motion passed.

Other Business:

The next Council of Governors and NCLI Board of Directors Meetings will be held on February 10 - 12, 2023, at the Greensboro/High Point Marriott Airport Hotel, 1 Marriott Drive, Greensboro, NC. For reservations, call 336-852-6450.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:55am.

Respectfully submitted,

**Laraine Dupree
Secretary, NCLI Board of Directors**