

Council Minutes
Palmer, Alaska
August 2, 2014

Call to Order- The meeting was called to order at 1:56 pm by CC Cummings.

Roll Call- CST Rixie called the roll. CC Cummings, DG Beardsley, and DG Webb were present. Also present were Lion Karan Hupperten, Lion Dave Beardsley, Lion Lawrence Camp, PDG Lewis Quinn, Lion Mike Norton, Lion Sherie Viera, PCC Howard Rixie, Leo Taylor Ross, Lion Marianne Williams, PDG Esther West, PCC Ed Casey, VDG Karen Burns, PDG Diana Cummings, & VDG Mike Brown.

Admin-

Approval of previous Council of Governors Minutes- DG Webb made a motion to accept the previous minutes. DG Beardsley seconded. Motion passed. Minutes attached.

Approval of Annual Convention Minutes- DG Beardsley made a motion to accept the minutes with the corrections that were emailed by DG Webb. DG Webb seconded. Motion passed. Minutes and email attached.

Bank Account Turnover- CC Cummings reported that IPCC Jones and IPCST Jones met with him and turned over all of the COG paperwork in mid June. Between then and today he had possession of the COG box and worked with CST Rixie to get the final bank statements and coordinate the audit and then turn over the paperwork to CST Rixie.

1. Change of Signers- DG Webb made a motion to remove the current signers from the Alaska USA General and Convention accounts and add the new signers. The new signers for the General Account will be CC Cummings, DG Beardsley, DG Webb, & CST Rixie. The new signers will be the same for the Convention account with Convention Chair PCC Casey added. DG Beardsley seconded. Motion passed.

2. Audit Report- PCC Burke and PDG Hall conducted an audit of the books of the previous year. CC Cummings thanked them for getting this done in time for our first Council meeting. Report attached.

Approval of Council Budget- DG Webb made a motion to accept the budget with one change. DG Beardsley seconded. Motion passed. Original and amended attached. PCC Rixie asked that \$250 X 4 be slotted for LEO Chair Ross to be subsidized for each of the COG meeting for representing the LEOs of our MD. CC Cummings tabled this for discussion at the next COG meeting.

Approval of Rules of Audit- DG Beardsley made a motion to accept the rules of audit as presented. DG Webb seconded. Motion passed. Copy Attached.

Business:

Approve MD Committee Appointments- DG Webb made a motion to accept the committee chairs as presented by CC Cummings. DG Beardsley seconded. Motion passed. Copy attached.

Approve Pin Design for 2015/MD Pin Order- Pin Chair Amy Posma presented a design for consideration. This is #2 in the Gold Rush Series. Chair Posma recommended the Riverboat design and presented a picture with details. DG Beardsley made a motion to accept the recommendation and move forth with the proof and cost estimate. DG Webb seconded. Motion passed. Pin report and design is attached. CC Cummings charged the two DGs to get their pin orders to him in the next two weeks. CC Cummings asked CST Rixie to work with Chair Posma to get the Proof and estimate this next week. CC Cummings would like to order the pins in the third week so we can get them here in time to go to Forum. This item will be added to our 4th meeting so we can be ahead of this next year.

International Convention Report - CC Cummings said Toronto was beautiful, lots of fun, and the presentations/training was awesome! CC Cummings entertained a motion to reimburse IPCC Jones for a transportation cost from Convention. DG Beardsley made a motion to reimburse the \$100 transportation cost. DG Webb seconded. After discussion that this comes out of carryover from last year and does not impact this year budget the motion was passed. CC Cummings reported that the next Convention is Honolulu, Hawaii and that he and the DGs will discuss the parade dress. A decision will be made at the next COG meeting.

DG Beardsley was grateful for the DG training and bonding with other Governors from around the World. She made many new friends and ideas.

DG Webb commented that MD49s parade entry was the most interrupted because his sight guide was Santa in the parade. They were constantly stopped for questions and photo opportunities!

DGs Reports of changing midwinter's/MD Conventions/Survey Results- There was much discussion on how to proceed with this. It was decided that this is a Long Range Planning matter and will be discussed more there. Both districts have made changes as to how there cabinet meetings/mid-winters are conducted. It will take time to see the outcome.

2013-2014 Taxes- IPCC Jones and CST Jones have completed the 2013-2014 taxes with H & R Block before they turned over the COG paperwork to CC Cummings. The taxes were filed by H & R Block electronically on July 1st. Copy of 990 attached.

2014-2015 Blood bank Recovery Project (BRP) Endorsement- This was endorsed at the 4th COG meeting by last years COGs. Because this is a carryover item the BRP chair has asked that this board recommit and endorse this project. He will need an endorsement letter signed by the COG. DG Beardsley made a motion to endorse the project again and to write a letter for the committee. DG Webb seconded. Motion passed.

MD Convention 2015- PCC Casey reported that he is forming a planning committee (6-8 people) for convention. He asked the COG to get him any requests/concerns ASAP so that he can assure they have what they need to conduct their meetings. The International Guest is International Director Dr. Naresh.

MD Convention 2016 - CC Cummings asked who was chairing this for the A side. After a phone call to Doc, we were told that Doc agreed to chair with help from PDG Williams.

International 2nd VP Endorsement- CC Cummings reported that LCI has endorsed PPID Dr. Naresh for 2nd VP. However, this morning he received an email from PID Salim Moussan requesting our endorsement. After much discussion DG Webb made a motion to not endorse anyone at this time. Motion failed for lack of second.

Committee Reports:

Centennial Chair- report attached.

Constitution Chair- report attached.

Elections & Nominations- no report

International Convention - report attached.

Long Range Planning- report attached. However, Chair Brown asked that one or two of the recommendations be chosen so the committee can move forward. After discussion, it was decided that the committee will proceed with all information gathered and give a more detailed report at the next COG meeting on 10/25. The committee consists of Chair Brown, PDGs Quinn and Roderiques, and all immediate past Zone Chairs.

MD LEO Chair- A has 4 LEOs clubs with 2 more forming real soon and 1 more in the planning stages. B has 2 LEOS clubs. LEO Ross' focus this year is expansion and focus on strengthening the clubs with training focused specifically for the LEOS. Her hope is that with help and guidance it will build an even stronger foundation for each of the LEOS clubs! CC Cummings asked that Chair Ross put together a proposal for a LEO Training over a holiday break and present at the next COG

meeting. PCC Rixie asked that CC Cumming take the earlier tabled item of slotting \$\$ for Chair Ross to be at the meetings off the table and address now. CC Cummings asked for discussion. After discussion DG Webb made a motion to slot \$1000 for LEO Chair to represent the LEOS Clubs of the MD at COG Meetings. Motion failed for lack of second.

MD LEO Advisor- Advisor Williams reported that she has requested \$\$\$\$\$\$\$ for training to no avail in the past and she hopes the MD supports Chair Ross any way they can to assure that our future is strong.

Pin Chair- Reported above.

USA/Canada Forum - San Juan, Puerto Rico ===== September 11-13, 2014. It is a great training opportunity. More information is available at www.usacanadalionsforum.org.

Youth Exchange- There is an International Youth Camp going on right now. There are 28 youth from 13 different countries. Thank you to all the clubs and host families for going out of their way to support this Lions project.

Council Meeting dates and places:

2nd – October 25, 2014 at the ABLERVC in North Pole – Video and Teleconferencing available.

3rd – January 31, 2015 at the Eagle River Lions Club House – Lion Lawrence said he would make sure a hot spot was available.

4th – April 23, 2015 during the MD Convention in Fairbanks. Place TBD

CC Cummings asked for closing comments – no comments from the DGS. CST Rixie asked that all committee chair confirm their contact information so that we can assure good communication throughout the year. Lion Williams asked that she and PDG Williams receive hard copy. CC Cummings thanked everyone for participating and feels we are on a roll to have a great year. DGs get to work, VDGs start planning, let's all have a great year and embrace President Preston's theme of Strengthen the Pride in the great Multiple District 49! See you all in North Pole on October 25th.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:57

Respectfully Submitted by:
CST Dorothy "Dodie" Rixie
North Pole Lions Club