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*Multiple District Four*

CALIFORNIA LIONS



Council of Governors  
Fall Meeting  
November 11-13, 2022,  
Fairfield, Ca

Multiple District 4, California, Lions Clubs  
International **Council of Governors Fall Meeting**  
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Council Chair Karen Crook called the meeting to order:

District Governor Linda Amerault 4L5 gave the invocation.

District Governor Kalani Jose 4A3 led the Pledge District.

District Governor Falguni Patel 4A2 led "God Bless America."

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:** CC Karen established protocol

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**MOTION**

Purpose.: approval of Joint Council of Governors meeting minutes.

Body of motion: I move to approve the minutes of the joint cog of June 2022 presented by IPCC Linda Pugliese.

Motion made by Linda Barbara.

Motion seconded by Kalani Jose 4L6

Motion carried.

Introduction and welcome with a story from the Mayor of Fairfield, Harry Price.

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**MOTION**

Purpose: approval of Organizational Council of Governors meeting minutes.

Body of motion: I move to approve the minutes of the organizational COG of August 2022 presented by Council Secretary Linda Barbara

Motion made by Melinda Blaza 4C6.

Motion Seconded by John Hui 4C4.

Motion carried

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**MOTION**

Purpose: to accept the financial report

Body of motion: I move to accept the financial report presented by the budget and Finance chair PDG Pat Casey Gillum and send the report to Bartlett, Pringle and Wolf LLP for review as previously contracted for the year 2021 through 2022.

Motion made by Linda Amerault 4L5.

Motion was seconded by Jackie Lu L2.

Motion carried

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**LCI UPDATE:** ID Ken Ibarra

ID Ken Ibarra greeted the assembly.

Some key issues of interest from Minneapolis

- ID Ken reported that as the new chair of technology of the salesforce platform he can announce that it will be released soon
- ID Ken thanked 4-C2 for hosting the cog.
- There will be a vote in Boston to do away with the restrictions of requirements for endorsing candidates for international director.
- He thanked California for leading once again in donations to LCIF

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- He and Lion Amy have attended 2 of the 17 conventions that they have scheduled but it is always nice to be back in California.
- Speaking from the heart, he is always and will always be proud to be a California Lion.
- ID Ken thanked the council for the endorsement on behalf of PID Mark Lyon.

**LCIF**

PCC Roger Powell

- New target amount from LCIF this year is 50 million dollars
- 2<sup>nd</sup> VDGS are to assist the LCIF coordinators
- Community impact grants being given
- Nov 29 is giving Tuesday. Please participate
- January is LCIF week honoring Melvin Jones.
- MD4 convention will be breakfast honoring many clubs and districts
- And of course, Giving is Good.

**California Lions Foundation**

PCC Bob Stewart

- Granting 2 grants per week. Pretty incredible pace in previous quarter
- Encourage clubs to apply for grants
- Nov 14 is national diabetes day. Program to write check for \$1000 to help clubs
- Partnering with City of Hope for diabetes
- Shared that his daughter works at Travis Air Force Base with 45 blind people to provide the infrastructure for every military base on earth.

**Lions Float**

PDG Manny Sanchez

- Showed a power point for the float design and work currently done.
- Please promote
- Last year was an award winner
- Bridging the world thru Service, is the theme
- Environment and hunger are the message
- Signage has the new brand name. Lions International
- Needs many more volunteers than years before.

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**MOTION:**

Purpose: endorse third international vice president nomination

Body of motion I move to name PID Mark Lyon from Connecticut as our endorsed candidate for Third International Vice President.

Motion made by Mandy Daniels 4c1.

Motion seconded by Falguni Patel 4A2

Motion Carried

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**Motion**

Purpose: to change identifying employee name in the policy and procedures manual.

Body of motion I move to change the name executive administrator to employees. Employee or contract employees throughout the policy and procedures manual.

Motion made by Jay Ruiz 4L6

Motion seconded by Kalani Jose 4A3

Motion carried.

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**Peace Poster and Essay**

Lion Becky Stewart

- Nov 15, receive all entries for poster and essay contest.
- Get those entries that are moving up to the next level
- Contest on Dec 4 for the winning poster and the essay for the Multiple.
- Contest will be at the Sheridan Hotel in Milpitas

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**Motion.**

Purpose: to change the location of the peace poster and peace essay contest judging as written in policy and procedure Manual

Body of motion: district entries for the peace poster contest are received at the annual designate location by the deadline. The winner and two honorable mentions should be selected by a selected group of local persons, non-lions, chosen by the Peace Poster chair

Motion made by Melinda Blaza 4C6

Motion seconded by Linda Barbara 4C3.

Motion carried.

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**Global Leadership Team**

PDG Norm McDaniel

- 1<sup>st</sup> ever Faculty Development Institute, introduced new instructors
- Denise Kelly, and Mark Mansell instructors
- Regionals will be in Jan, will be in Anaheim in March
- Sec/treasurer training at convention.
- 1<sup>st</sup> vdg training had 23 people in attendance
- New program coming soon.
  
- CC is encouraging those who need to make a video for your Doctorate can possibly do so at the Convention

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**Motion.**

Purpose: to add qualifications to proud Lion program.

Body of motion: I move that we change the language that all Leos and lions must attend a member orientation to be eligible for a proud lion recognition.

Motion made by: Doug Campbell District 4A1

Motion seconded by Tim Luckenbill. 4C5

Motion carried:

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**Global Service Team**

Susan Gall

- Introduced and thanked the committee.
  - Service is at 63 % of clubs reporting. 4I6 is 100%
  - Kindness matters service award.
  - nomination sent to LCI was district A1 . January winner will be announced
  - Hunger will be in February
  - Military and 1<sup>st</sup> responders will be the project care project for December
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**Motion.**

Purpose.: To hire Lion Timothy Griggs as Webmaster for MD4 for consolidation and reduction of cost.

Body of motion: I move to hire Timothy Griggs as Webmaster for MD4 with the approval of budget and finance.

Motion made by: Linda Amerault 4L5

Motion seconded b: Linda Barbara 4C3

Motion carried.

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**Budget and Finance**

PDG Pat Casey-Gillum

- Changes, admin portion in line-item, office equipment changed to website
  - Youth outreach increased by \$5000, not coming from reserved funds
  - Marketing no balance being carried over. Add \$2000
  - Deficient budget is not a bad thing.
  - Adding \$7000 to the budget.
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**Motion.**

Purpose.: To place the proposed budget on the ballot at the MD 4 convention

Body of motion: I move to accept the proposed budget and place it on the ballot for delegate voting in February at the MD 4 convention

Motion made by Linda Amerault. District. 4L5

Motion seconded by District Governor Jay Ruiz junior. District 4L6

Motion carried.

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- CC Karen announced that there are open positions for the budget and finance, youth protection, youth outreach and Marketing and communications
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**Motion.**

Purpose.: To change the form used during ROR requests.

Body of motion: I move to accept the new and revised rules of reimbursements as outlined on the attached form. Which now will include trains and buses as modes of transportation. To include reimbursement registration up to \$15, for parking up to \$10 per day. Effective starting with the fall cog, November 2022.

Motion made by Aggie 4L1.

Motion seconded by Beverlee4 C2.

Motion carried

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Cal/Refresh

Mandi Daniels

- 3 governors from each council, introduced members
- Created a committee charter to share with everyone
- Explained why committee was formed in the first place
- Chairs for this year are Craig Durand and Mandi Daniels
- Created a report template for committee reports to encourage uniformity
- Created a charter template for all committees to use
- Currently working on a district calendar.

Jacky Lu

- Presented invitation to all governors for breakfast with International President
- Date will be Dec 30, in Rosemead
- All information is on the district website.

Jay Ruiz

- Presented leadership pin to the Blue Crew.

PDG Juanita and PDG Jose Nichols

- Presented information and discussion of rules of reimbursement.

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- Handed out brochure and explained it.
- Explained the process of reimbursement
- Explained the importance of policies and procedures
- Life scan requirements for youth activities
- New requirements for youth protection.
- Reasons for having to have to comply with the youth protection policy.

Area GAT Leader

PCC Denny Grotrian for PDG Mark Piva

- PID Jerome Thompson has appointed 15 representatives, Mark has 23 districts that he is responsible for.
- 24,768 members in his area 1b. Currently 918 clubs, 43% are reporting service.
- Wanted 82 % of zone chairs to be trained. 40% now reporting.
- 1<sup>st</sup> vice district governors are being trained differently the last 2 years. Group leaders are taking point on the training, then going to St Charles for the end of training
- Funding for the GAT at the district level.
- 2 different training for the governors.
- Recognized the governors and the council chair for the excellent job they are doing.

Constitution and Bylaws

PDG Kaz Sato

- Introduced the members of the committee; currently the largest committee
- This year working on the multiple district, to bring it in line with LCI
- First amendment is for the Protocol chair position
- Second amendment is for finance to have better internal controls
- Third amendment is for Personnel committee to add more members
- Change the verbiage from Executive Administrator to employee.

\* ***Amendments are attached at the end of the minutes***

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**Motion**

Purpose: to accept the proposed 4 amendments to the Constitution as set by the Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

Body of motion: I move to accept the four proposed amendments presented by the Constitution Bylaws Committee and return them to the committee to be placed on the ballot in February at the MD 4 Convention in San Jose

Motion made by DG John Hui 4C4.

Motion seconded by. DG Tim Luckinbill 4C5

Motion carried.

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Convention Committee

Leland Lee

- Lion Leland introduced the committee.
- Read the convention procedures from the manual.
- They all discuss items as a team not as individuals.
- Outlined the host vs conventional responsibilities.
- Wants input on seminars, vendors, and different venues that you want to see on the agenda
- First come first serve to get a room reserved for the venue.
- Wants to make it a fun convention, entertainment for Sat evening,
- Looking for something to make it a fun afternoon.
- Everyone should be promoting the convention to get more attendance.

Liz Crook

- 13 seminars asked for so far.
- Tech lab and training with tech specialists
- 1<sup>st</sup> timer attendee to a convention
- Service-related activities, CLF, LCIF
- Video going to be available for those who are working on their doctorate.

International Convention

Ester Lee

- Boston Red Sox still in the planning.
- Boston Pin is waiting for approval from governors.
- Thanked PDG Manny for setting up ticket spice.
- Introduced the committee

Global Initiative

Elinor Britter

- The committee will supply all the documents and people to help get the equipment
- Big project coming to Nepal, on hold for right now.
- Rise Against Hunger, many districts providing supplies and food those in need.
- Farmers will drop off to you or your pantries. Just call Elinor.
- Reward coming but will be a surprise

USA Canada Forum

Linda Griffin

- Looking for more volunteers for several jobs and responsibilities
- Registrations need to be done. Challenge by ID Ken for all councils get registered by Dec. 31.
- Pin traders will be held Sunday right after the forum
- Promotional material is out, and Calif has flyers that are downloadable.
- There will be a legacy service project at forum



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Long Range Planning

Derek Ledda

- Long range planning depends on the councils and their goals.
- Depends on other committee and other for ideas and projects
- Introduced the area coordinators
- Facilitate how to use long range planning to achieve the long-range goal

Youth Exchange Program

Carrie Guadagnolo

- Applications are available
- All locations are open and available
- Workshop coming up and invite all to come
- Dates this year are July 1 to July 16.
- June 26 to July 1 at Teresita Pines
- Website has all the information

PDG Kevin Patel

- Presentation on how to host a cog.
- Discussion on how to choose menu choices
- Ideas on thinking and feeding your mind and heart.
- Ideas of what it is to be a host.
- This was the best vegetarian menu in 9 years.
- Need to consider all tastes and desires.

CC Karen thanked everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting.

Minutes submitted by Council Secretary Linda Barbara

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Chair, Constitution, Bylaws and Rules

TO COUNCIL CHAIR AND THE MD-4 DISTRICT GOVERNORS:

PRESENTATION #1

CONSTITUTION, BYLAWS AND RULES COMMITTEE PRESENTS THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS, TO THE CONSTITUTION, FOR THE VOTE OF THE MULTIPLE DISTRICT FOUR DELEGATES AT THE 2023 CONVENTION:

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The Protocol Chair duties and responsibilities are being added to ARTICLE VI, Section 4. The Protocol Chair is a multiple district officer as identified the LCI Standard Multiple District Constitution and Bylaws.

### ARTICLE VI OFFICER

SECTION 4 The Council of Governors shall appoint annually a Protocol Chair for the multiple district. Under the supervision and direction of the Council of Governors, the protocol chair shall:

- 1) At all events attended by visiting dignitaries, provide seating charts in keeping with the association's official protocol; ensure that spoken introductions are based on the same.
- 2) Ensure that dress requirements are clear for all events.
- 3) Arrange for proper airport (or other arrival) greetings; arrange suitable transportation to hotel or other lodging, inspect hotel room in advance to ensure its suitability, and provide
- 3) appropriate amenities (flowers, fruit, etc.)
- 4) Arrange for the proper escort of visitors to each function on the schedule.

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- 5) Arrange courtesy calls on local government leaders (or regional and/or national leaders if the location suggests as a possibility), as the visitor's schedule permits.
- 6) Coordinate public relations media exposure such as television, radio and print media, as necessary.
- 7) Coordinate departure from hotel, and transportation to airport (or other departure venue).
- 8) Term One year, selected by Council of Governors to serve during its year.

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TO THE COUNCIL CHAIR AND MD-4 DISTRICT GOVERNORS:

PRESENTATION #2

CONSTITUTION, BYLAWS AND RULES COMMITTEE PRESENTS THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS, TO THE CONSTITUTION, FOR THE VOTE OF THE MULTIPLE DISTRICT FOUR DELEGATES AT THE 2023 CONVENTION.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This addition is to provide the structure for internal controls and oversight of MD4 fiscal operations. Access to existing accounts is not simple or timely when there are limited authorized signers and an event happens. It is important that timely information is available and accessible to the appropriate positions. The following provides the structure for access and oversight of MD4 fiscal operations.

ARTICLE VIII  
FINANCES

SECTION 8:

The financial accounts of MD4 requires the following authorized signatures on all accounts: Council Chair, Council Treasurer, Council Secretary, Chair and Senior Member of the Budget and Finance Committee. The Council of Governors and Council Chair will determine which employees are authorized to be signers on specific accounts.

- Section 8

The organization shall utilize the approved financial reporting software. Changes in software

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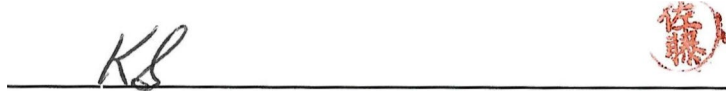
must be approved by the Council of Governors.

Authorized signers shall have access to bank accounts and financial reports for review at least monthly and as requested. The Executive Committee and Budget and Finance Chair shall receive monthly reports regarding deposits and expenditures.

Checks prepared for distribution shall be reviewed by at least two of the following prior to distribution: Council Chair, Cabinet Treasurer, Budget, and Finance Chair. The approval must be dated and initialed. Two signatures are not required on checks.

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Signature



Chair, Constitution, Bylaws and Rules

TO COUNCIL CHAIR AND THE MD-4 DISTRICT GOVERNORS:

PRESENTATION #3

CONSTITUTION, BYLAWS AND RULES COMMITTEE PRESENTS THE  
FOLLOWING AMENDMENT, TO TH E BYLAWS FOR THE VOTE OF THE MULTIPLE  
DISTRICT FOUR DELEGATES AT THE 2023 CONVENTION.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This modification expands the Personnel Committee to give it  
greater stability. Responsibilities of the committee have been identified to provide the  
support and oversight of MD-4 operations and organizational compliance with State and  
Federal laws and regulations.

## ARTICLE IV

### MULTIPLE DISTRICT FOUR COMMITTEES

DELETE THIS SECTION

SECTION There shall be a Personnel Committee consisting of the Executive Committee  
together with the Chair and the next senior member of both the Budget and Finance  
Committee and the Constitution and Bylaws and Rules Committee

ADD NEW SECTION

SECTION 8: PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: There shall be a Personnel  
Committee consisting of the Council Chair, the Council Secretary, and the Council  
Treasurer, together with all members of the Constitution, Bylaws and Rules Committee  
and the Chair and Senior members of the Budget and Finance Committee.

- Section 8

The Council Chair is the Chair of the Personnel Committee and the direct supervisor of all MD4  
employees. The Committee shall meet at least quarterly at Council of Governor meetings and

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by media platforms as needed to maintain operational compliance.

The Personnel Committee is responsible the supervision and oversight of the Business and Human Resource Operations of MD-4. The Committee shall maintain compliance with all State and Federal laws and regulations. Quarterly reports to the Council of Governors shall be made regarding compliance and status of operations.

The Committee may utilize experts internal and external to the organization to maintain compliance and effective and efficient operations.

The Council Chair and Committee shall present at the Mid-Winter Council of Governors meeting proposed recommendations regarding employee wages and benefits to be considered by the Council for approval at the Joint Council Meeting.

The Council of Governors is responsible for review and approval of all changes regarding personnel, and compliance.

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FROM:

signature



Cair, Constitution, Bylaws and Rules

TO COUNCIL CHAIR AND THE MD-4 DISTRICT GOVERNORS

PRESENTATION #4

CONSTITUTION, BYLAWS AND RULES COMMITTEE PRESENTS THE  
FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS, TO THE CONSTITUTION, FOR THE VOTE OF THE MULTIPLE  
DISTRICT FOUR DELEGATES AT THE 2023 CONVENTION:

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To restate ARTICLE VI, SECTION 3 since MD4 operations is being reorganized, and the Executive Administrator position has been eliminated. The Council of Governors is responsible for the operations of MD4 and the hiring or contracting of personnel.

TO DELETE: There shall be an Executive Administrator for Multiple District Four. The appointment of the Executive Administrator shall be subject to the approval of the Council of Governors, which shall fix their term of office and said Executive Administrator's annual compensation. The office of said

Executive Administrator

Section 3. MD4 Office shall be located in Santa Barbara, California, or such other location selected by resolution proposed by the Council of Governors and approved by a two-thirds vote of certified voting members upon printed ballot at an annual Multiple District convention.