

THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS
ZOOM CONNECTION
SUMMER CABINET MEETING

1. Call to Order.
2. Welcome
3. O'Canada
4. Protocol
5. Installation of District Officers by PID Art Woods
6. Additions to and Approval of the Agenda
7. District Governor's Remarks
8. Approval of the last Cabinet Meeting Minutes from June 15th, 2020.
(<http://a15lions.org/pages/Main/HomePage>)
 - 8.1. ***Motion to approve the last Cabinet Minutes of June 15th supported by ZC Gary Lloyd and seconded by IPDG Tracey Robinson. Carried.***
9. *Motion required* to ratify the actions of the previous Cabinet for the Lions year of 2019/2020.
 - 9.1. ***Motion to approve the actions of the previous Cabinet for 2019/2020 supported by 1st VDG Harvey Wood seconded by ZC Victor Chaux. Carried.***
10. Secretary's report.
11. *Motion required* to acknowledge receipt of Secretary's report.
 - 11.1. ***Motion to approve the Secretaries report supported by ZC Bruce Killinger and seconded by 1st VDG Harvey Wood. Carried.***
12. Treasurer's report. Including financial statements and budget as presented.
13. *Motion required* to acknowledge **receipt** of Treasurer's report.
 - 13.1. ***Motion to receive the Treasurer's report supported by RC Garry Ransom and seconded by RC Gerry Runstedler. Carried.***
14. Matters Arising
15. Cabinet Reports.
16. *Motion required* to acknowledge receipt of the Cabinet Reports.
 - 16.1. ***Motion to accept the Cabinet reports supported by 2nd VDG Tony Davidson and seconded by IPDG Tracey Robinson. Carried.***
17. **Committee Reports.**
18. LCIF – Peter Oswald
19. Long Range Planning – District Governor – (re-zoning)
20. Two-day convention - VDG1 – Harvey Wood
21. *Motion required* to acknowledge receipt of the Committee reports.
 - 21.1. ***Motion to receive committee reports supported by ZC Victor Chaux seconded by ZC Mark Koenig. Only (1) objection otherwise, Carried.***
22. **New Business**
23. VDG2 – Tony Davidson
24. Environment – ZC Mark Koenig
25. RC 51 – Garry Ransom Zone Chair Meals
26. N.A.M.I. – District Governor
27. District Governor's Pins
28. Good and Welfare
29. Upcoming Events
30. For the Good of Lionism
31. Floor is open for any discussion.

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32. *Motion* required for adjournment.

32.1. *Motion for adjournment at 4:48pm supported by ZC Victor Chaux and seconded by ZC Bruce Killinger.*

Minutes of the Cabinet meeting reflecting the Agenda.

1. District Governor George called the meeting to order.
2. The District Governor appreciated everyone who attended the Zoom Cabinet meeting. DG George introduced the Cabinets new meeting host Lion Jim Keron. He also expressed his gratitude to the Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Treasurer for their dedication in preparing for this meeting.
3. DG George then asked the meeting host to play the National Anthem.
4. DG George then called upon 2ndVDG Tony Davidson to perform Protocol.
5. DG George called upon PID Art Woods to conduct “Installation” of the 2020/2021 Cabinet. As this means getting sworn in, it was conducted in a different method due to the meeting being held through Zoom technology. All Cabinet officers were declared “Installed”. PID Art stated, “The officers are a very important part and are critical towards a successful year as you support your District Governor”.
6. As recorded above.
7. District Governor’s remarks as noted below.
8. As recorded above.
9. As recorded above.
10. Good Afternoon to All of you. I come from 30 years in the medical field and currently retired. I have met a number of you at the conventions or other meeting. However, it will be nice to get to know all of you. Hopefully, in the near future with respect to this pandemic we will actually have a live cabinet meeting were there can be some social time set aside. I thank you and appreciate your time and patience as I have been learning quite a bit since I started this position. Please never hold back should you find any errors or gaps in my work. Thank you and enjoy the rest of the meeting.
11. As recorded above.
12. Our Cabinet Treasurer expressed his gratitude to LCIF Chair Peter Oswald. CT Doug had a background in being a Road Engineer, then later Information Systems. He has been as Canadian Citizen since 2003 as his homeland is Scotland. His “better half” is Shannon and they have been married for 23 years! Below are his new meticulous and accurate budget spreadsheets. Fabulous job CT Doug!

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It was after his budget presentation CT Doug introduced his Draft 1 of the Districts Expense Form.

There was much discussion about when to send out the billing portion to the clubs. This cannot be finalized as it is subject to MDA passing their budget.

Referring to the Standard Club Constitution: Article V11 Section 2 states: ANNUAL DUES. Each member of this club shall pay the following indicated regular annual dues which dues shall include an amount to cover current international and district (single or sub-and multiple) due (to defray the subscription price of LION Magazine, administrative and annual convention costs of the association and similar district costs) and shall be paid in advance at such times as the board of directors shall determine:

Referring to the Standard District Constitution: Article V111 Section 1 : District Revenue. Each club in the district shall collect 2 semi-annual payments as follows: September 10th of each year to cover July 1st to December 31st. March 10th if each year to cover January 1st to June 30th.

Please Note: (as stated by the Constitution and By Laws Chair: Annual dues cannot be altered as it states in the Constitution once they are sent out by MDA/LCI.

13. As recorded above.

14. **Matter Arising** – Nothing to report at this time.

15. **Cabinet Reports.**

16. As recorded above.

17. **Committee Reports.** Below

18. **LCIF Peter Oswald for Centennial 100.** His report is below.

Everyone is doing a great job especially with personal donations. PDG Denis asked if there were still pins that you could purchase. Lion Peter has an addendum attached below.

19. **PDG Thom Herrmann for Long Range Planning.** His report is below.

The scenario must be sent out to the clubs for comment within the next few days. Responses must be communicated to Cabinet no later than 30 days prior to the Fall Cabinet meeting. DG George asked the Cabinet if the scenarios should be sent out together or just 1 and/or 2. There was discussion on rezoning. Motion to receive Scenario #1 by CT Doug and seconded by RC Gerry. Carried.

20. **1st VDG Harvey Wood for Two Day Convention.** His report is below.

Covid-19 has certainly changed quite a lot. Unfortunately, our IPDG did not have her convention this past year. MDA did not have its convention either. Due to this pandemic we must look at everything differently. We need to reduce cost; we may have to perform

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electronic voting again and the only way to support the convention is through registration. Therefore, we need to review. There was much discussion regarding a two-day convention versus a three day. A motion was brought forward to defer until a policy is written by the 1st VDG and will introduce at the Fall Cabinet meeting October 29, 2020.

21. As recorded above

22. **New Business.**

23. **2nd VDG Tony Davidson.**

This year I will be working with Lion Ted to update the Lions memorial page on the website. When a Lion passes away and we put the name of the deceased Lion on the website a picture will also be posted if available. A picture of The Late Past Council Chair Dave Rumble was the first to be posted. The district notification procedures will also be updated. The 2nd VDG was given the task of supporting the GAT team with Service being my main objective. I will be working with PDG Nancy Ransom to promote service in the District. With the support of the 2nd VDG, the Region Chairs, Service Chairs, Communication Chairs, Bulletin Editor and the clubs we will be able to provide in-service's on S.W.O.T. and Service. The goal is to get this group to perform a S.W.O.T. analysis of the region they belong to. This analysis is part of the North American Membership Initiative that our District is involved in. It will also identify the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threat in our organization.

24. Zone Chair Mark Koenig on Environment.

Unfortunately, ZC Mark had to rush through his presentation which is below. He stated it will be added to the District A15 website. We must think of the future! ZC Mark's link is TBA .

25. **Region Chair 51 Garry Ransom regarding Meal Costs for Zone Chair Advisory Meetings.**

Motion by RC Garry Ransom was brought forward stating:

“Zone Advisory Meetings – Meal Costs for Guests. Invited guest speakers to a District Governor Advisory Committee (Zone) Meeting shall have their meal costs paid for by the District. District Officers or District Committee Chairs attending such meetings of their own volition and/or requesting an opportunity to speak shall not be considered invitees.” Motion accepted and seconded by 1st VDG Tony Davidson. Carried.

**At the time of completing the minutes the Constitution and By-Laws Chair suggested the following wording be used:

The invited guest speaker to a Zone Advisory meeting shall have his or her meal cost paid by the District through reimbursement by cheque from the cabinet treasurer to the party who paid the guest's meal at the time of the meeting (ie: the Zone Chair or the host club etc.) and

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upon presentation of the proper expense form to the cabinet treasurer. District Officers or Cabinet Chairs.....shall not be considered invitees.

26. District Governor N.A.M.I.

All the Districts in MDA opted into a program called NAMI, at the time under the direction and leadership of Past Council Chair Kevin Banfield. This program is not all about getting new members. It is a program that allows each member, Club, District to reflect on everything that has been done in the last 100 years. Not only the great stuff but the reality that we tried and sometimes we failed to accomplish the desired results. Lions from across north America have put together many different educational opportunities from Leos, young Lions to 60-year service members. This Initiative is a cross functional team approach to enhance what we do, what we want to do today and tomorrow. The tools are currently being taught at the District level. This cabinet has just started the process of understanding one of the many tools that will be applied throughout the District. This is not a race to a finish line but a project that will take many years to accomplish.

In the coming months groups of lions from A15 will be invited to participate in the process. Presentations will be rolled out as soon as we are comfortable in being able to present the material effectively. Covid-19 has presented us with some challenges as well as many opportunities to re-evaluate what we do and how we fit into our communities.

The community are the lions and the Lions are the community.

Stay tuned for further updates.

27. District Governor Pins

They were created by our own PDG Nancy Ransom!! Excellent job!! They will be used over the next few years as we are trying to be cost efficient and environmentally friendly.



28. Upcoming Events.

Nothing mentioned at this time.

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29. **For the Good of Lionism - Lion Janet Dawson-Brock**

Please see her message below. Start ordering your Peace Posters now!!!!!!

30. **Open Floor Discussion**

- PID Art Woods commented on the Canadian Centennial 2020 marks 100 Years of Service in Canada! We want to promote tree planting as so far to date, 70,000 trees have been planted across Canada. Please do something in your community to promote this achievement whether it is selling pin, buttons or golf shirts as he modeled during the meeting. Should anyone have any questions or comments please contact me at intnlrel@a15lions.org
- PDG Denis Vinette will be our Cabinet Coach for as long as needed. This will provide the Cabinet with continuity and ensuring tradition is maintained.
- Innerkip Lions Club train ride for the people in our communities who are not as fortunate or who have been hit with circumstances in their life. Well Done Innerkip!
- Our host mentioned that collecting bottles/can at the roadside can provide you with a startling \$2,600.00 that you can donate. Wow! Great job Lion Jim.
- Atwood Lions Club went forward with their Canada Day celebrations with a “Great Big Float” and served 1,000 meals. Way to go Atwood!!
- Marsville Lions Club has continued with their bottle and can drives. Excellent! It is great to see this!
- ZC Victor Chaux is to send monies collected from DG pin sales to CT Doug.
- District Governor apologized to the entire group on the Zoom meeting for going over the scheduled time frame. However, he expressed his gratitude to everyone for staying on the line and ensured that we will see each other at the next Cabinet Meeting schedule for Thursday October 29th, 2020.

Thank you everyone,

Stay Safe, Stay Healthy and Stay Home!

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District Governor – George Corrin

Aug 09, 2020

Good Day,

As your newly appointed District Governor, I would like to take a few moments to outline some of my goals and objectives for 2020-2021.

The District Governor Team is committed to improving the communications between the District Governor's Team and the individual Clubs. During this time of social distancing, it is important that we communicate our next action plans and work together as a team to meet the service needs within our communities. This year, each Lions Club will be assigned to one of the District Governors, to act as a liaison between the Cabinet and the Clubs. This enables us to hear feedback from your club and also have the opportunity to openly share information with you from the Cabinet.

Our A15 District will also be part of the Lions International Program called NAMI (North American Membership Initiative), where our focus will be to help clubs and zones create and execute data-supported membership plans. Projects can be developed through environmental, multi-generational opportunities, that are made available to multiple clubs, through a partnership with the different Boards of Education and Conservation Authorities within our District. More details to follow on a proposed District environmental project in the next few months.

I am a strong believer in mentorship, so over the next few months, you will see significant effort will be put into training individuals in their specific role, and working with a mentor to learn more about Lionism and strengthen their leadership capabilities. Succession planning will also be part of our objective, as we strive to put together a 3-year plan for our District Governors and Cabinet.

Some of the clubs in our District have executed some exceptional creative and resourceful service activities during the past few months. Please make sure that you post pictures on your website, and the A15 website, Facebook and use our Bulletin as well so the other clubs can congratulate you on your successes. We may have to re-think how we are going to execute our events, but I encourage you to keep serving your communities. Keep the Lions name visible and recognized as one of the service leaders in your area.

He Lions are the community and the community is the Lions

Together we can make 2020-2021 an exciting year!

1st Vice District Governor – Harv Wood

Here we are, six months into Covid!

I am impressed for the most part with positive attitudes of our club leaders and with the progress being made despite today's restrictions. Today's restrictions will be the new normal for the months to come.

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There is an old adage, “when the going gets tough, the tough get going”!

“Creativity” is my new word. Club leaders are being creative not only with communication channels but with new fund-raising activities, even some that had not ever been considered previously.

We have two new branch clubs being formed, the first in some time. This is a creative activity brought forward by Lion leaders, undertaking new lines of service and fundraising. We are in the process of the formation of a third new club which will be located in a City which has been underserved by Lions for several years.

New Lions bring energy, “creativity” and previously unheard-of ideas to Lions clubs. Let the new Lions take the lead!

I am optimistic that by sharing our ideas and continuing to work together, we will achieve new levels of excellence.

District A-15 – Two Day Convention

SATURDAY

Past District Governors can have a breakfast, brunch or lunch

2:00pm – Honorary committee meeting with International guest

2:00pm – Displays to continue afternoon/evening and Sunday morning

3:00pm – Cabinet meeting (1hour)

4:00pm – Until?? Same as current Friday including opening ceremonies

SUNDAY

7:00am – physical voting if the preference

9:00am – Memorial service

10:00am – Closing ceremonies including awards, passing of Campbell, etc.

10:45am – Election results

11:00am– New cabinet meeting

12:00Noon – Lunch with International guest

Committee displays open 2:00pm Saturday until noon Sunday. Election results will be announced at the closing ceremonies. Attendance may be negatively affected if on line voting is the preference.

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2nd Vice District Governor Tony Davidson

I am excited to be a member of the Cabinet this year even though we need to practice physical distancing at this time. It is unfortunate that Covid has interrupted some of our service activities and changed the way the Clubs meet. We can only hope that this change will be temporary.

As VDG2 I will be supporting the work of the Region Chairs, and promoting the initiatives of the Global Action Team. We have a determined group of Lions that are willing to assist Clubs during this difficult time! Service is an important part of Lions and we are here to help in any we can.

Cabinet Secretary – Deb Zimmerman

This journey started when I met this most gracious and articulate man whom I later discovered was PDG Larry Wainwright and his lovely wife Hilda. He inducted me into the world of Lionism on my birthday. How special is that! I joined as the third woman in our club and as I worked with the “boys” and engaged with them I knew I was in the right place. I found out we love to drink “tea”. Our motto of “WE SERVE” is exactly what we strive to excel at. We conduct our fundraising to support our local sports, charities, shelters, all Lions camps, hospices and of course our community with home health assistance devices. Once the “boys” found out who I was and how I worked they nominated me for club secretary. The rest is history.....

July 1st, 2020 became a brand-new journey into Lionism. I was pleasantly appointed to the District Cabinet Secretary position. I have to mention I did not really have a complete understanding of what my responsibilities and accountabilities would be. However, two months into the position I am absolutely enjoying the work, engagement with the Governor’s, being able to help and support other clubs, officers and members to assist with whatever their need be. Most of all, working with this year’s cabinet, committee chairs and PDG’s while getting to know them. This journey will take me into the next three years where I hope to meet a lot of the clubs and their members. The District Governor’s have a very well-balanced platform with the future of Lionism at heart and wanting the best for them. Together, we can continue to make Lions the best supportive most outstanding service provider the communities have ever experienced!

I look forward to meeting all of you and working together over the next few years.

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Sincerely,
Deb Zimmerman

Cabinet Treasurer – Doug Fyfe

Most of the documents reviewed at the cabinet meeting will be sent in a separate email. Otherwise, they are posted at the end of the minutes.

Region Chair 9 – Gerry Runstedler

I am grateful to be included on DG George's Cabinet for the year 2020-2021. It will be an interesting challenge as we are in uncharted territory for the latter part of last year and going into the new fiscal year. It is essential that we stay positive and adapt with these changes. No one can predict when things will return to what we consider "Normal" or if we encounter a new set of rules. We are living a different life for sure. Let's work together to accomplish great things in spite of restrictions we face. As Lions, we are incredible at showing initiative and adapting to unseen changes and unpredictable circumstances. "Teamwork makes the dream work"

Region Chair 37 – MaryAnn Ward

Eight years ago, the Zone Chair position called to me and I spent the next year getting to know my fellow Lions in Zone 37S. It was a positive thing and I learned a lot. Now Governor George has asked me to go one step further to become the Regional Chair for the same area and a little more. I look forward to meeting the Clubs in 37S and 37W and working with them to make the Region stronger and bigger."

Region Chair 51 – Garry Ransom

Region 51 is alive and well. Though there are many summer activities that had to be cancelled, clubs are thinking about the fall and planning ways to serve their community.

The big news for the Region is our newest branch club South Wellington Community Lions Club which has been sponsored by the Rockwood Lions. Imagine starting a new branch club during Corvid-19! Congratulations to the new club and to the Rockwood Lions for sponsoring the club. The South Wellington Community Lions Club (Branch) is already hosting a zone BBQ, working within the Covid-19 guidelines. Nothing is stopping those Lions!

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Most clubs have held video meetings and are now planning outdoor meetings for this fall. Times are different but I know that the Lions in Region 51 will find ways to serve those less fortunate than ourselves.

Lion Garry Ransom

Zone Chair 51W – Mark Koenig

With Lions 2020-2021 year in full swing, I'm so glad to be ZC51W and look forward to all the challenges and rewards that it will offer. A new year brings new talented pride to work with, we have some talented people who will help me serve you as your zone chair! As always, please feel free to reach out with your club's needs and we will turn them into a roaring success. :)

GST – Past District Governor Nancy Ransom

Service Report for August 16, 2020 Cabinet Meeting

Having already introduced myself to the clubs of A-15, it is my wish that we will all benefit by working together and sharing our successes and experiences as we begin a new Lions year. It will be a different scene and we will have to look for new ways to serve our communities and the world. Remember we are all in this together, so embrace the changes, be willing to try the new, learn from failures, stay upbeat, and always take a moment to appreciate the small joys of life.

Yours in Service, Lion Nancy Ransom

Diabetes Awareness Report – Brian Martin

Covid-19 continues to plague the country (and the rest of the world). To that end, physical programs are suspended and many of us are left trying to figure out what can be done to still promote Lionism and to provide Service to our Communities.

Plans for many Diabetes Awareness events are unfortunately put on hold until we have this virus beat. As Diabetes Awareness Chair, I am currently communicating with Diabetes Canada on a project that, if doable, could be enacted by all A-15 Clubs who wish to participate. More on that after discussions with Diabetes Canada.

I also would like to ask all Clubs to think about doing something locally on November 14th (International Diabetes Awareness Day). In Fergus, we (Fergus Lions Club) light up the pedestrian bridge across the Grand River with blue lights, as a symbol for Diabetes Awareness. This we have done since 2016.

Clubs could think about something of prominence in their community, to light up in Blue for a day/week or longer, to show support for Diabetes awareness. Working with township officials, churches, wherever, to enlist their support and help. Notice of this can be placed in the local

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newspaper or by web or billboard postings. Very little cost, but a definite showing that the Lions are active in their support of Diabetes. I will be contacting all Clubs on this in September.

J. Brian Martin PRC
A-15 Diabetes Awareness Chair

Family and Women Committee – Past District Governor Diane Smith

It has been decided at the International level that the New Voices initiative will continue. As you know, this initiative was initially aimed at achieving gender parity within our organization. In Canada we have done well with female membership at greater than 33%. This year the multiple districts have been given the option of continuing with this initiative. MDA has elected to sunset this initiative, but our Governor has elected to continue this in District A15. Family and Women's membership falls under this umbrella.

More recently the New Voices platform has continued with the aim of recognizing the value of younger members, Leos and diversity within our organization. Since New Voices is a platform for sharing new ideas, it encourages every club to be innovative in trying something new. In these times of Covid, this is especially important. With this sharing of ideas in mind, our Canadian New Voices leader, Nicole Heon Lepage, has begun to lead virtual discussion meetings on the 19th of every month. I attended the first session in July and as your Family and Women's membership liaison for A 15, I will continue to do so.

Please be creative in your ideas –try to attend the virtual meetings of other clubs; try to modernize your club by doing an updated club assessment at the beginning of this new Lions year and attempt to partner with other service organizations in your area to conduct a service project.

Please feel free to contact me at any time with questions, concerns and ideas.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane M. Smith fw@a15lions.org

Hearing and Speech – District Governor George Corrin

Hearing and Speech Report August 10 2020

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Being privileged with all of our senses, is fantastic, but when a person is missing one or more of these senses, or even a slight impairment can turn some environments in a negative situation. Accessibility for the hearing impaired becomes important not to only understand, but how can we serve a segment of our members or communities with sound. One of the opportunities that clubs can do is to have mechanical devices made available so as the hearing impaired can enjoy the words that are being spoken.

High quality Microphones can be easily purchased... There are many different types of microphones, each Club can exercise their voices their knowledge of sound that will allow all members to have the opportunity to listen, to enjoy the camaraderie that is one of the foundations of being a lion member.

If anybody has any hearing equipment that is not being used please contact me at dg@a15lions.org

George Corrin

Historian – Past District Governor Nancy Ransom

Lions of A-15, the collection of club pin stories is ongoing. Please continue to contribute your stories and photos to the district. I will be sharing a monthly pin story, and I hope you find these stories as interesting as I have. All the best as we begin another Lions year,

Lion Nancy Ransom,

District A-15 Historian

Information Technology – Ted Rypma

District A-15 Technology Report August 2020 Governor George, Cabinet, Lions:

I wish to report that all pages, by the time of the Cabinet meeting, the District web site will have been updated with information for the 2020-2021 Lions year. The Club and Cabinet directories will contain current information, and will have been updated as corrections have come in. Most Cabinet members, Committee Chairs and Club Secretaries look after their own e-mail needs, with their ability to send to Cabinet and to the Clubs in the District by logging in to the Google Mail site. If assistance is needed with this task, I will be happy to assist. Please visit the web site

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Publications/Use of Technology section and read the E-Mail and Communications Guidelines found there. I would also like to point out a few things about the web site:

- Cabinet officers and Committees may maintain their own information on the site if they wish to do so;
- Pictures can be relatively easily uploaded to the site;
- The site has a "Search" function to help in locating information;
- A "Recent Changes" link is available to help in monitoring site content changes;
- All Cabinet, Committee and Club Directory information is maintained in a database on the web site;
- The site will mostly function even if active content (JavaScript/Java/Flash) is turned off in the browser (only email addresses will not show up - they are protected).

I thought that now would be a good time to point out some of the tasks for which the Technology Chair is responsible. If there is anyone in the District who is technically inclined and talented, and wishes to be involved in managing the technical details of the District's web and email presence, drop Governor George a note - it is always better to have multiple people involved in a task such as I will describe below. Here is a brief bulleted list of what the District's electronic footprint involves.

- Maintain the District A-15 domain (the a15lions.org domain we use for web and email);
- Maintain the District domain name server configuration (the world-wide directory used by your computer to get to the District A-15 domain);
- Maintain the link between the District domain name and the web space used for the website;
- Maintain the content on the web space exposed by the District A-15 web address, <http://a15lions.org>. We will be transitioning to a secure <https://a15lions.org> this year;
- Maintain the Google web mail system used by the District A-15 e-mail addresses;
- Provide password resets and help for users (Cabinet, Committees, and Clubs) of the District email system;

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- Update District directory entries as changes are made and errors are found;
- Update calendar entries for District and Club events during the year;
- Ensure that all bills for various charges are paid. The District Treasurer looks after the web space billing, the Technology Chair looks after any Domain and DNS charges and bills the District.
- Keep regular backups of all content on the web site, so the site may be recovered or moved easily;
- Maintain a list of all credentials needed to operate the Domain, DNS and email systems, and provide a list to be held in escrow by District Cabinet (usually the District Secretary and/or District Treasurer);
- And probably a number of things I have forgotten.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Lion Ted Rypma District Technology Chair

<http://a15lions.org/>

Lions Club International Foundation Coordinator – Peter Oswald

Campaign 100 continues to be a focus for all Lions Clubs. The need for funds is always great but seems especially necessary during these difficult times. I hope all Lions are staying safe and healthy as we work through the unusual circumstances. This applies both on a personal/family level but also as a Lion who is part of the local Club and a leader in our community to Serve. There are going to be challenges with raising funds and prioritizing donations as we all move forward. PLEASE consider LCIF and Campaign 100 as a key priority in the coming year.

My report today will provide a brief update on the Program and share the wonderful news on the results for our District in Fiscal 2020. **Firstly**, with the known challenges of Covid-19 and cancellation/postponement of many fundraising activities, Campaign 100 has been extended another full year to June, 2022 – to give us all time to provide as much support as possible. To date, all other program details remain unchanged but I will let everyone know if changes occur.

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Secondly, the summary of results for Multiple District A are below (to June 30). Your District A-15 Leads the Way AGAIN! THANK YOU for all of the Clubs and individuals that made donations in the past year. You make a difference in your community and around the world by providing this support!

DISTRICT	Funds Raised			Total	Participating	%
	F2019	F2020	2-Yr Total	Clubs	Clubs	
A1	\$ 8,631.96	\$ 20,875.11	\$ 29,507.07	40	24	60.0%
A2	\$ 12,303.87	\$ 32,005.09	\$ 44,308.96	40	27	67.5%
A3	\$ 22,109.03	\$ 33,172.53	\$ 55,281.56	50	36	72.0%
A4	\$ 9,321.91	\$ 22,515.55	\$ 31,837.46	61	21	34.4%
A5	\$ 8,174.72	\$ 5,991.69	\$ 14,166.41	51	20	39.2%
A711	\$ 26,266.82	\$ 25,197.34	\$ 51,464.16	83	24	28.9%
A9	\$ 9,400.58	\$ 28,235.67	\$ 37,636.25	44	44	100.0%
A12	\$ 18,905.90	\$ 20,986.75	\$ 39,892.65	47	21	44.7%
A15	\$ 33,508.86	\$ 44,886.38	\$ 78,395.24	58	42	72.4%
A16	\$ 26,153.18	\$ 25,779.39	\$ 51,932.57	52	38	73.1%
TOTAL	\$ 174,776.83	\$ 259,645.50	\$ 434,422.33	526	297	56%

And, here is a breakdown of *your donations* by Zone within A- 15. I have provided a more detailed summary to Cabinet.

ZONE	3-year TOTAL	F2018 USD	F 2019 USD	F 2020 USD
37S	\$ 11,548.85	\$ 332.94	\$ 6,966.98	\$ 4,248.93
37W	\$ 9,101.56	\$ 782.93	\$ 4,438.05	\$ 3,880.58
51E	\$ 11,851.33	\$ 2,435.76	\$ 2,629.59	\$ 6,785.98
51W	\$ 34,665.75	\$ 5,413.81	\$ 11,836.13	\$ 17,415.81
9E	\$ 11,636.89	\$ 1,689.98	\$ 4,702.10	\$ 5,244.81
9S	\$ 12,623.24	\$ 2,991.28	\$ 2,787.83	\$ 6,844.13
No zone	\$ 466.14			\$ 466.14
Grand Total	\$ 91,893.76	\$ 13,646.70	\$ 33,360.68	\$ 44,886.38

I am available to answer any questions or provide details on the Program, grant Applications, Community Grants and all of the potential awards & recognition that will come from this support. And if we get back to meeting in person, I am happy to visit a Club and provide the details in person. Stay safe & watch for more news. THANK YOU again!

Peter Oswald, LCIF Coordinator, District A-15. lcif@A15lions.org.




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Here is the information requested during the Cabinet Meeting.

Lions - there are a number of recognition and award items for personal / individual contributions. While recognition is not necessarily the reason, we make donations, it is important to say more than just Thank You!

Reminder - ALL Donations count towards Melvin Jones Fellowships.
Individual donations of \$20 will garner a Campaign 100 pin.

Larger personal donations are recognized as below and I have some pins for worthy recipients from earlier years. Further to these amounts, there is additional special recognition for larger personal donations. Please consider any and all personal donations in the coming Lions year. Remember, all personal donations to the Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF will generate a tax receipt.

 <p>A gold and blue shield-shaped lapel pin. At the top, it says '2018' on the left and '2019' on the right, with a small circular logo in the center containing a lion's head and the letter 'L'. Below this, a gold banner reads 'LIONS SHARE SUPPORTER'. At the bottom, there is a single gold star above the letters 'LCIF'.</p>	 <p>A gold and blue shield-shaped lapel pin. At the top, it says '2018' on the left and '2019' on the right, with a small circular logo in the center containing a lion's head and the letter 'L'. Below this, a gold banner reads 'LIONS SHARE SUPPORTER'. At the bottom, there are two gold stars above the letters 'LCIF'.</p>	 <p>A gold and blue shield-shaped lapel pin. At the top, it says '2018' on the left and '2019' on the right, with a small circular logo in the center containing a lion's head and the letter 'L'. Below this, a gold banner reads 'LIONS SHARE SUPPORTER'. At the bottom, there are three gold stars above the letters 'LCIF'.</p>
<p>US\$50</p> <p>Donors contributing US\$50 annually receive a one-star gold Lions Share Supporter lapel pin.</p>	<p>US\$100</p> <p>Donors contributing US\$100 annually receive a two-star gold Lions Share Supporter lapel pin.</p>	<p>US\$200</p> <p>Donors contributing US\$200 annually receive a three-star gold Lions Share Supporter lapel pin.</p>

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Peter Oswald
LCIF Chair District A15
519 537 0683

LEO Club Report – PDG O.J. Wilura

District Governor George and fellow Lions:

Just a quick note on starting a LEO Club in your area as it relates to cost.

LEO Club Organization Fee

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The LEO Club organization fee is US\$100. This one-time fee includes:

- The costs involved in processing the LEO Club Organization Report
- A Certificate of Organization
- A LEO club officers' kit
- A LEO club sponsor kit
- Leo lapel pins for each original Leo Club member

LEO Club Sponsor Levy

Lions Clubs are also billed an annual LEO Club sponsor levy of US\$100. The levy pays for Leo Club Program materials, mailings, club record maintenance, communications, awards and program resources

Respectfully submitted.

Lion OJ Wilura
LEO Chair

Youth Camp and Exchange – Lions Allison and Mark Henkall

There is not much to report. We were very saddened that we had to cancel the camp for 2020 although it is what happened to most of the programs around the world. We are looking forward to getting back to a full camp in 2021 and we are keeping contact with other youth exchange chairs around the world so that we are as informed as possible about changes or plans for 2021.

Lions Foundation of Canada Chair Cheryl Bauman

I am excited to be starting this role as representative for the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides. I joined Lions with my first foster puppy “Donut” in 2013 and have devoted much of my volunteer life to raising foster puppies and funds for Dog Guides.

As Covid-19 restrictions ease in Ontario, a few dogs in training have returned to the school in order to complete their formal education. As well, foster puppies are being assessed and for potential breeding candidates. Dog Guides is also pleased to report that to date no one in the Dog Guides family has tested positive for Covid-19.

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides relies on the generous support of donations in order to fulfill its mission to assist Canadians with a medical or physical disability by providing them Dog Guides at no cost. Covid-19 has made it very challenging for Dog Guides to meet its financial goals. Consider helping Dog Guides by making a direct donation or supporting the fundraising efforts of Lions Clubs which raise money to support this organization.

Lion Cheryl Bauman
Lions Foundation of Canada Cha

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Long Range Planning Committee – Past District Governor Thom Herrman

Redistricting Scenarios

Scenario #1: No regions and 10 zones

Zone A15A: West Coast, Bayfield, Exeter, Zurich, Vanastra, Huron Park Centralia 6 clubs

Zone A15B: St Marys, Stratford, Milverton, Monkton, Atwood, Linwood 6 clubs

Zone A15C: Thamesford, Sweaburg, Ingersoll, Oxford, Woodstock 5 clubs

Zone A15D: Hickson, Innerkip, Plattsville, Ayr-N. Dumfries, New Hamburg 5 clubs

Zone A15E: Bridgeport, Waterloo, Community Spirit, Kitchener, Oktoberfest, Pioneer, Breslau 7 clubs

Zone A15F: Glen Morris, Paris, Burford, Brantford, Drumbo 5 clubs

Zone A15G: Sheffield, Rockton, Lyndon, Copetown, St George 5 clubs

Zone A15H: Cambridge Highlands, Galt Cambridge, Ariss-Maryhill, Royal City, Guelph, Mosborough 6 clubs

Zone A15I: Elmira, Woolwich, Paradise, Wellesley, St Agatha, St Jacobs 6 clubs

Zone A15J: Elora, Fergus, Belwood, Marsville, Hillsburg, Rockwood 6 clubs

Scenario #2 Add one Zone to each existing Region

Region 37

Zone 37 West: West Coast, Bayfield, Exeter, Zurich, Vanastra, Centralia-Huron Park 6 clubs

Zone 37 North: St Marys, Thamesford, Stratford, Monkton, Atwood, Milverton, Linwood 7 clubs

Zone 37 South: Sweaburg, Woodstock, Oxford, Ingersoll, Hickson, Innerkip 6 clubs

Region 9

Zone 9 North: Bridgeport, Waterloo, Community Spirit, Kitchener, Oktoberfest, Pioneer, Breslau 7 clubs

Zone 9 West: Drumbo, Ayr-N. Dumfries, Plattsville, Paris, Burford, Brantford 6 clubs

Zone 9 South: Glen Morris, St George, Sheffield, Rockton, Lyndon, Copetown 6 clubs

Region 51

Zone 51 South: Galt-Cambridge, Cambridge Highlands, Ariss-Maryhill, Guelph, Royal City, Mosborough 6 clubs

Zone 51 West: New Hamburg, St Agatha, Wellesley, Paradise, St Jacobs, Elmira, Woolwich 7 clubs

Zone 51 East: Elora, Fergus, Rockwood, Belwood, Marsville, Hillsburgh 6 clubs

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Lion/Lioness Janet Dawson Brock

Hi Lions and Lioness:

I would like to thank Governor George for asking me to be the Peace Poster/Essay Chair again.

The theme this year is "Peace Through Service". As Lions/Lioness we certainly do a lot of service

for our communities and maybe we can help the youth with their Posters or Essays.

I have ordered and received the Peace Poster/Essay Kits from International and I will gladly mail them out to the clubs. I also have had printed the flyers that I have been using over the past five years. I will send these along to you as well.

Please email at djbrock@uwaterloo.ca to order your KITS.

Again, I ask your clubs to donate to the Peace Poster/Essay Contest. Our expenses will be a little higher this year because of mailing the kits out.

Only 4 clubs out of 52 donated to the contest last year.. I thank those four clubs who did donate and a special thank you to the Lioness Clubs who donated.

I am the M D A chair again and again I am asking you to help out financially at the M D A level.

I wish the new cabinet members all the best and I look forward to working with you.

Kindness Matters

Lion/Lioness Janet Dawson Brock
519 501 4853

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Cabinet Treasurer Doug Fyfe:

8:21 AM 07-22-20 Accrual Basis	District "A"-15 Lions - Admin Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual July 2019 through June 2020		
	Jul '19 - Jun 20	Budget	Over Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Advertising	250.00	250.00	0.00
Canadian LIONS Summit Inco...	0.00	0.00	0.00
Centennial Project	6,500.00	6,500.00	0.00
Corporate Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00
District Directory	140.00	150.00	-10.00
District Dues			
Dues - Collected	12,180.50	12,197.50	-17.00
District Dues - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total District Dues	12,180.50	12,197.50	-17.00
Interest Earned	318.60	705.00	-386.40
Leadership Seminar Income	1,450.00	1,450.00	0.00
MD 'A' Dues	0.00	0.00	0.00
Membership Assessment	2,149.50	2,152.50	-3.00
Pin Sales	0.00	800.00	-800.00
Returned Cheque Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Income	22,988.60	24,205.00	-1,216.40
Gross Profit	22,988.60	24,205.00	-1,216.40
Expense			
Awards			
Awards - Cabinet	493.09	650.00	-156.91
Awards - Other	1,001.12	500.00	501.12
Total Awards	1,494.21	1,150.00	344.21
Badges & Patches	985.53	450.00	535.53
Bank Charges	71.87	250.00	-178.13
Bank Service Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cabinet Expense	1,760.49	2,000.00	-239.51
Centennial Project	0.00	6,500.00	-6,500.00
Convention Expense	275.41	750.00	-474.59
District Chair Expense			
Comm Chair Expenses	0.00	300.00	-300.00
District Chair - Other	1,250.00	1,500.00	-250.00
Leo Clubs	0.00	200.00	-200.00
Total District Chair Expense	1,250.00	2,000.00	-750.00
District Directories	4,060.92	2,000.00	2,060.92
Global Action Team	-526.14	2,000.00	-2,526.14
Internet	143.96	143.96	0.00
Leadership Institutes	171.04	500.00	-328.96
Leadership Seminar	0.00	3,700.00	-3,700.00
Pins Purchased	1,466.18	350.00	1,116.18
Postage & Telephone	159.38	100.00	59.38
Printing & Stationery	195.72	300.00	-104.28
USA / Canada Forum	900.00	1,500.00	-600.00
Total Expense	12,408.57	23,693.96	-11,285.39
Net Ordinary Income	10,580.03	511.04	10,068.99
Net Income	10,580.03	511.04	10,068.99

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2020-07-22
Accrual Basis

District "A"-15 Lions Clubs Trust
Balance Sheet
As of 30 June 2020

	30 Jun 20
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
CIBC - Lions Guest Imprest	4,564.24
CIBC - Eff. Speaking Imprest	2,986.13
CIBC - Groves Hospital	99,989.03
CIBC - Trust Account	19,947.34
CIBC - Youth	
Youth Exchange Imprest	10,431.09
Youth Investments	13,648.81
Total CIBC - Youth	24,079.90
Investments	
Trust ST Investment	5,418.61
Total Investments	5,418.61
Youth Camp Capital Fund	8,256.73
Total Chequing/Savings	165,241.98
Total Current Assets	165,241.98
TOTAL ASSETS	165,241.98
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Centennial Project	17,487.33
Cultural Festival	217.11
Effective Speaking Contra Acct	2,986.13
Hearing Equipment	803.07
LCIF - Groves Hospital Grant	99,989.03
Lions Foundation of Canada	
Leash Free Park	1,604.86
Total Lions Foundation of Can...	1,604.86
LIONS Guest Contra Account	4,564.24
Peace Poster	1,402.16
Reading Action	6.12
Vision Screening	3,845.30
Youth Camp / Y. Ex. Contra Acct	24,079.90
Total Other Current Liabilities	156,985.25
Total Current Liabilities	156,985.25
Long Term Liabilities	
Youth Camp Capital	8,256.73
Total Long Term Liabilities	8,256.73
Total Liabilities	165,241.98
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	165,241.98

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8:21 AM
2020-07-22
Accrual Basis

District "A"-15 Lions - Admin
Balance Sheet
As of 30 June 2020

	30 Jun 20
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
Cash	
CIBC - Bank Account	22,870.51
CIBC - Investments	32,947.10
International Director Fund	1,144.73
Total Cash	56,962.34
International Director GIC	6,314.77
Total Chequing/Savings	63,277.11
Total Current Assets	63,277.11
TOTAL ASSETS	63,277.11
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Convention Fund	2,166.05
DGE Partner Travel	4,040.87
Total Other Current Liabilities	6,206.92
Total Current Liabilities	6,206.92
Long Term Liabilities	
International Director - Contra	7,459.50
New Club Assessment - Contra	1,870.56
Total Long Term Liabilities	9,330.06
Total Liabilities	15,536.98
Equity	
Balance - July 1/00 - Net	690.54
Emergency Reserve Fund	23,000.00
Retained Earnings	13,469.56
Net Income	10,580.03
Total Equity	47,740.13
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	63,277.11

Example of three current expense sheets combined into one:

