

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

Saturday, February 11, 2006

Hilton Hotel, Greenville. NC

9:00 AM

Council Chairman, Brad Logsdon, called the February meeting of the 2005-06 North Carolina Lions Council to order.

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

For the record, the Council met in caucus on Friday evening, February 10. All nine District Governors, as well as six Vice District Governors, were present at the caucus. All district Governors and Vice District Governors were in attendance at the Saturday Council Meeting.

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

Bledsoe served as Parliamentarian.

CC Logsdon welcomed all Lions and Guests to the meeting and invited comments from Past International Directors.

Past International Director Sid Scruggs reported that Past International Director Ron Huber recently had hip replacement and would require extensive rehabilitation. He and Lion Jane would appreciate cards. His new address is:

Lion Ron L. Huber, PID
4502 Merlot Way
Greensboro, NC 27410

Scruggs stated that he and Lion Judy would be attending the South Carolina District 32-A Convention at the request of District Governor Matt Jones. Scruggs will also represent the Lions of North Carolina at the UN Day in New York. Afterward, they will go on to Turkey for the Mission 30 conference. He suggested that the governors urge their Zone chairs to use the membership registers available on the LCI web site.

Scruggs announced that President Ashok Mehta would visit North Carolina on June 17th with plans being made for a dinner with him at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel in Raleigh.

SST George Ohm reported receipt of a thank you note from Andy McKean of Liberty Day for the \$500 donation to the National Liberty Day Foundation. Invoices for second half dues

were mailed, with payments already received from two districts. Ohm has two applications from Past District Governors for the 2006-2007 Council Chair Position. All districts have elected Vice District Governors. The IRS form 990, for Non Profit 501C4 organizations, has been sent to the IRS. The Treasurer's records for 2004-05 were sent to the CPA for the annual audit, with a report expected by the State Convention.

Ohm offered an addition to the **November 2006 Minutes**:

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Add: "Council Chair Brad Logsdon, reported that LCI Legal Division's position was that "in the case of a conflict with the current Constitution", the current District Governors are to determine the selection process for the Council Chair position."

This statement clarifies and adds authority to the District Governors changing the selection process.

Dupree moved to approve the amended minutes: seconded by Sandy. The motion passed.

Ohm continued with the **February Financial Report**. He offered two reports, a balance sheet including the Council Account and the Promotions Account, and an itemized report for the Council.
(See Attachment "A")

Mayes moved to approve the financial report; seconded by Dupree. Motion approved.

Foundation President Carlton Metts reported that camping season is around the corner.. Applications are being taken for campers, counselors and volunteers. White Cane and Camp Dogwood ticket sales are ahead of last year. Budget hearings will be April 7-8 with Volunteer Week starting the next week, April 10. The Jack Stickley Fellowship scrolling LCD display is up and running in the Lodge. The Foundation is scheduling a caucus this afternoon to discuss the plans for the new dormitory. An unnamed donor has pledged \$250,000 towards the building.
(See Attachment "B ")

Executive Director Steve Walker will be placing the last order for \$50 pavers for the **Sensory Garden**. Here after the price will increase. He also advised due to changes in the medical forms the camper application process is longer. He advised to assure those who may complain that the forms are being processed.

PCC Harvey Whitley was recognized to speak on **Campaign Sight First II**. He completed this training at Oak Brook. All district coordinators have been named. Three four-hour training sessions are scheduled for March 11, 18, and 26. Sites will be at Camp Dogwood, Archdale, and Greenville. Completed reports must be made to Dr T.S. Lee on June 14. Clubs will be asked to raise funds through personal pledges over 3 years, outside solicitation, special fund raising, and finally club treasuries. Goals are at least \$125 per member. Model clubs have pledged \$400 per member. Donations of \$1000 each are eligible for Melvin Jones Fellowships. There are plans to have a Sight First II information table at the State Convention and a seminar on Saturday afternoon.
(See Attachment "C")

PDG John Miller reported on **Services for the Blind**. He reported that the Teaching program to teach teachers for Visually Impaired students has been floundering for the last few years. The Commission voted to urge legislators to move the school to another facility. However, renewed interest has strengthened the program at UNC Central.

Referring to Hurricane Katrina relief, Miller stated that all of the costs of his trips to the disaster area were covered by the generosity of the Lions of North Carolina. Miller commented that it was suggested that the Lions should consider preparing a disaster relief plan. He offered to serve on an Ad Hoc committee to this end.

PCC Diane Whitley requested an advance of \$60.00 from the Council for preparing the Lions Logo for the NC License plates.

Wilson moved to advance \$60.00 to Whitley to allow preparation of camera-ready logos for the License plate project; seconded by Allman. Motion passed.

Council Chair Logsdon commented that North Carolina did not receive any of the \$20,000. Promotional Grants applied for. Only three grants were issued in the United States. He was encouraged to re-submit the applications with the hope that more funds may be made available. The Governors applied for matching grants of \$1500 for local advertising. To date three districts were approved.

PDG David Boyd gave his report on the 2006 State convention. The state convention needs advertising dollars to help defray the cost of the convention. He outlined the daily schedules of the convention. He questioned if the Governors wished to have a silent auction on Friday Evening. He asked for Districts and Governors to gather door prizes and auction items. Seminars will include Campaign Sight First II and a Question and Answer session with Vice President Jimmy Ross.

Scruggs asked about plans for pick-up of Ross. It was suggested that all District Governors be in the welcoming party. Boyd and Logsdon stated that this would be addressed at the next convention committee meeting. Ohm noted that the Council voted in November to fund the Media Center for the Convention. Ohm was directed to issue the \$4000 budgeted advance to the Convention Committee. (See attachment "D")

Gwen White presented the plans for the 2007 State Convention, to be held at the Asheville Renaissance Hotel on May 31-June 3, 2007. Menus and prices will be available for the August 2006 Council Meeting. PDG Joe Silvers has a committee of 40 plus lions. In an effort to reduce costs to Lions, the committee is attempting to find sponsors for Friday Fun Night and the Tail twisters Breakfast. Tours are planned for the Biltmore house, Harrods in Cherokee and local shopping. Expected Vice President Al Brandel has been invited as guest Speaker.

The 2008 State Convention is planned for Greensboro the end of June 2008. DG Paul Bledsoe will serve as Chairman. Scruggs has arranged for the sitting Lions President Mahendra Amarasuriya to be the keynote speaker.

Logsdon called for a 20-minute recess.

Logsdon resumed the meeting and called for Statewide Committee Reports.

Boys An Girls Home Chair Logsdon reported that there was a fire in the laundry dryer causing considerable smoke damage to the Lions Cottage. Unfortunately, this incident has accelerated their remodeling schedule, so now the cottage will have to be completely remodeled before the boys are allowed to return. The total cost of the renovations is estimated at \$47,545. In addition the home needs to replace the 15-passenger van that will no longer meet insurance requirements. Lions may be asked to volunteer a workday to help spruce up the cottage grounds. (See attachment "E")

PDG Martha Butler gave a report on District 31-A's Eliada Homes. Substantial improvements and renovations have been completed on the Lions Cottage. The cottage houses 9 children in the ages of 12 through 17, and has a waiting list of over ten children. Most children are eventually reunited with their families. Tours are available every Tuesday for interested Lions. Eliada's mission is " Helping Children Succeed" (See attachment "F")

Constitution and By-Laws Chair PDG Ron Kelly presented changes to the State Constitution regarding the Council Chair selection Process.

- A. Multiple District Constitution, Article V, State Council, Section 1. Revise the last sentence to read:
" Consideration may also be given to any active Past District Governor who has not served as Council Chairperson."
- B. By-Laws Article 1, section 7. Revises the final day to submit résumé's to December 31, and the State Council Secretary/Treasurer is to send the qualified résumé's to the serving Vice District Governors by January 20.

Dupree moved to accept the changes as presented; seconded by Wilson. Motion Passed.

- C. By-Laws Article III, Section 9, Nominating Committee. Recommends adding the duties of assisting District Governors in seeking qualified Past District Governors for the position of State Council Chairperson.

Allman moved to accept this addition to the Nominating Committee; seconded by Mayes. Motion Passed.

(See attachment "G")

Diabetes Awareness Chair William Barnwell reported alarming statistics of the increase in Diabetes in North Carolina from 4.6% to 8.2% in the eight years from 1995 through 2003. We must continue education of diabetes, as it is becoming a major medical problem.

(See attachment "H")

Extension Chair Houston Henderson reported that he held two extension workshops; one at Camp Dogwood and one in Greenville, with a total of 35 Lions attending. Several districts are actively working on new clubs. He urged the Governors not to forget the President's goal of at least one new club per district.

(See attachment "I")

History Committee Chair Dr. Ted James reported on the work to date on the new History book, covering the dates from 1988 through 2006. The committee will meet on March 24 to assemble the materials already submitted. The intent is to make a book that is readable, interesting and that will be used as a reference for years to come.

(See Attachment "J")

Leadership Chair Robert Moorehead has scheduled the second DGE training session for February 24-26 at camp Dogwood. Cabinet Secretary/Treasurers will be trained on Saturday Feb. 25. The first training session for VDGE's is scheduled for May 12-13, 2006.

(See attachment "K")

LCIF Committee Chairperson Diane Whitley reported that NC Lions donated \$65,230 to LCIF, with most of the money going to Tsunami relief. Each District has credit for at least one unnamed Melvin Jones Fellowship; Governors should insure that deserving Lions are honored.

(See attachment "L")

Leo Clubs Chair Paul Smith announced the Leo State Convention would be held at camp Dogwood on May 5-7, 2006. All Leos are requested to pay at least half of the cost.

(See attachment "M")

Mission 30 Chair Willie Hudson stated that only 4 districts are showing an increase in membership. The state totals are down by 97 members to 9309 as of December.

(See attachment "N")

Nominating Committee Chair Allen Deaton reported that all District Governors elects have been voted upon at their respective Conventions. All districts have elected Vice District Governors for the year 2006-07.

(See attachment "O")

Orientation Chair Edward Shivers suspected that many new Lions had not had proper or any Orientation. Orientation should start with the sponsor and continue with inducting Officer as well as more formal orientation training soon after. Orientation is also valuable as a refresher to older Lions to inform them of new changes and happenings.

(See attachment "P")

Promotions Chairperson Pat Roland stated that she had clothing sales of \$5900 at the district Conventions and the Council Meetings. Roland will make a more detailed report at the Promotions meeting following the Council meeting.

Research and Long Range Planning Chair John O'Malley presented several recommendations of the committee regarding State Committee Chair reports, PDGs acting as mentors to VDGs, attendance by VDGs to as many state functions as possible, close DG and VDG communication, insuring that chair appointees understand the jobs they are asked to do. (See attachment "Q")

Retention Chair Frank Brooks urged all Lions, Zone and Region Chairs and club members to constantly be aware of members needs. Do everything necessary to retain the members we have. "It can be done" if we all work together. (See attachment "R")

Youth Exchange Chair Karen Littlefield reported 12 youth have applied for the 2006 camping season. Three host families have been confirmed. Three NC students are looking to foreign exchange. Littlefield suggested forming a website for the Youth Exchange Camp. She is also working with Logsdon to select a senior from Boys and Girls home for a foreign exchange. (See attachment "S")

Vaughan moved to advance \$2000 to the Youth Exchange Chair for the 2006 Camp; seconded by Supinger. Motion Passed.

Public Information Chair Mike Schwartz presented the proposal for a pressroom at the State Convention. The Council voted to fund the Pressroom at the November Council Meeting. They will produce daily newsletters during the Convention and a four page layout in the Lionism state newspaper. (See attachment "T")

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

The Governors reported statewide sales of 334 luxury car raffle tickets to date.

Logsdon appointed an Ad Hoc committee to oversee statewide advertising, consisting of DG Gary Green, DG Paul Bledsoe, Mike Schwartz and Gwen White.

Logsdon asked for nominations for the MERL Chairs for the next three years.

Membership – PDG Gene Everette
Extension – PDG Houston Henderson
Leadership – PDG Bob Shook
Retention – PDG I. Frank Brooks

Greene moved to accept the nominations for the MERL Team: seconded by Supinger. Motion Passed.

Logsdon raised the question of using Melvin Jones Fellowship Ribbons at the state Convention.

Sandy moved to use the MJF ribbons depending upon the cost; seconded by Wilson. Motion passed

Scruggs suggested a donation of \$500 as an honorarium for First Vice President Jimmy Ross.

Wilson moved to make a \$500 donation in honor of 1st VP Jimmy Ross; seconded by Dupree. Motion passed.

Sandy moved to adjourn: seconded by Mayes. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 AM.

George D. Ohm
State Secretary-Treasurer

North Carolina Lions State Council

2005-06 Council Financial Statement
February 9, 2006

INCOME: 05-	06 Budget	38757.00	(over) / under	line Item
BAL FWD (unrestricted)	23,387.19	23,387.19	-	100
State Dues (.Est 9400 X \$3.50 for 05-06)	32,900.00	20,606.25	12,293.75	110
Interest Received (Currently 1%)	250.00	293.55	(43.55)	120
District Cabinet Secretary- Treasurer Bonds	417.50	417.51	(0.01)	130
Vendor space rental at State Convention	300.00	-	300.00	140
Tailtwister's ticket sales and auction (State Conv.)	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	150
Youth Exchange (restricted - Ind \$1366.93 Bal Fwd)	5,866.93	3,066.93	2,800.00	160
Liberty Day (restricted - Ind \$1359.08 Bal Fwd.)	3,359.08	2,030.61	1,328.47	165
Misc. Income not Budgeted	4,000.00	65103.36	(61,103.36)	170
Lions License Plate Project (Ind \$2900.00 Bal Fwd)		3810.00	(3,810.00)	180
MD31- Statewide Advertising project	27,000.00	0.00	27,000.00	185
Total Income	99,980.70	118,715.40	(18,734.70)	
EXPENSES:				
Finandal Audit	350.00	0.00	350.00	200
Treasurer's Bond	520.50	520.50	-	210
Clerical Services - NCLF	600.00	600.00	-	220
Office Supplies (Secretary / Treasurer)	350.00	137.08	212.92	230
Printing (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	500.00	435.65	64.35	240
Postage (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	500.00	98.86	401.14	250
Telephone (Secretary / Treasurer)	200.00	0.00	200.00	260
Plaques and Gifts	1000.00	70.32	929.68	270
State Councl Meetings	250.00	180.74	69.26	280
Expenses - State Secretary / Treasurer	3500.00	2652.74	847.26	290
Expenses - State Councl Chair <-> —	5300.00	2476.42	2,823.58	300
State Convention - cash advance	6000.00	0.00	6,000.00	310
Membership committee	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	320
Extension Committee	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	330
Retention Committee	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	340
Leadership Committee	3400.00	920.50	2,479.50	350
Orientation Committee	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	360
State Councl Committee Expenses	9000.00	2815.85	6,184.15	370
Liberty Day	2000.00	1247.00	753.00	380
Leo Clubs Expenses	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	390
Youth Exchange (from Councl Funds)	500.00	398.93	101.07	400
NCLF Newspaper Mailings	3000.00	0.00	3,000.00	405
MD31- Statewide Advertising project	27000.00	0.00	27,000.00	410
Misc Expenses not budgeted	6000.00	54438.44	(48,438.44)	415
Total Expenses	74,970.50	66,993.03	7,977.47	
Contingency	25,010.20	51,722.37	(26,712.17)	
Total	99,980.70	118,715.40	(18,734.70)	

Notes:

Line 110 - July 1, 2005 MD31 Membership = 9406

Line 160 - \$Bal Fwd \$1366.93 +\$500 D31B+\$500 D31F+\$500 D31E+ \$200 Vass Lions

Line 170 - \$50,000 LCI Check for UNC Grant + \$10,000 from 2005 State Conv + \$1792.56 Leadership Inst Bal. Transfer

\$750. LCI check for DG Training

Line 180 - license plate checks: \$3800 plus \$10 over payment.

Line 415 - \$50,000 Check to NCLF - \$3800 State License Plates - \$10.00 James Sasser - \$19.35 Checks

- \$13.78 LCI Youth Programs Assesment

**North Carolina Lions State Council
Balance Sheet Summary
February 9, 2006**

INCOME

	Budget	2/11/2006
Council Administrative Funds		
Balance fwd	23387.19	23387.19
State dues	32900.00	20606.25
Interest	250.00	293.55
District Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer's Bonds	417.50	417.50
Receipt from 2005 State Convention Committee		12481.60
Transferred Bal. from South Eastern Leadership Institt		1792.56
LC1 - District Governor Elect Training		750.00
Income Not Budgeted		89.21
Total Unrestrictd Funds	56954.69	59817.86

Council Restricted Funds**Liberty Day**

Balance forward	1359.08	1359.08
District donations	0.00	0.00
Council Funds	2000.00	0.00
Liberty Day Pin Sales	900.00	671.53
Total Liberty Day Funds	4259.08	2030.61

Youth Exchange

Balance forward	1366.93	1366.93
District Donations	4500.00	1700.00
Council Funds	500.00	0.00
Total Youth Exchange	6366.93	3066.93

LCIF Grant for UNC Diabetic Eye Care Center		50000.00
State Licence Plate Project		3800.00
Statewide advertising project	27000.00	0.00
Total Council Restricted Funds	27000.00	53800.00
Total Council Funds		\$118,715.40

Expenses**Council Administrative & Restricted**

Administrative		2681.59
Expenses Council Chair		2476.42
Expenses Secretary/Treasurer		2652.74
MERLO Team		920.50
State Council Committee Exp.		2815.85
Liberty Day		1247.00
Youth Exchange		398.93
UNC Disbetic Eye Care Grant Grant		50000.00
NC Lions License Plate Project		3800.00
Total Expenses		\$66,993.03
Checking Balance		\$51,722.37

Promotions Administrative Account

	Budget	2/11/2006
Bal fwd		-3659.05
Dues @ \$0.75 per member	7050	4415.63
2006 Trading Pins	8887.5	139.5
Sale of Shirts and Hats	4000	5905.08
CD Interest	50.00	80.65
Total Promotions Admin. Acct.	19987.5	\$6,881.81

Attachment A-2

Promotions Reserve Account

Balance Fwd	14379.58	14379.58
Dues @ \$0.25 per member	2350	1471.88
International Officers campaign Fund	18800	11775
Other Income		500
Total Promotions Reserve Acct.	<u>35529.58</u>	<u>\$28,126.46</u>

Expenses

Administrative		48.4
Purchase Shirts & Hats		5666.84
USA/ Canada Ice Cream Social		424.13
Promotions Chair Expenses		1641.66
Exec. Officer's Campaign		500
		<u>\$8,281.03</u>

Promotions Balance Sheet

Checking Account Balance		19375.36
Certificate Of Deposit		7151.18
Promotions Clothing Inventory		4761.47
State Trading Pin Inventory (Dispensed to District Governors)		5785.50
Total Assets		<u>\$37,073.51</u>

Attachment "B"

North Carolina Lions Foundation Report

Camping season is just around the corner, the end of May.

Applications from campers, counselors and volunteers are coming in and being reviewed. It appears this season will be as strong as last year.

White Cane Fundraiser and the Camp Dogwood Ticket sales are ahead of last year. Keep up the good work.

Foundation Budget hearing are scheduled for April 7-8, 2006. We invite all that wishes to participate to attend.

The same week end April 10-14, 2006 Volunteers will be converging on Camp Dogwood for Cleanup Week. Anyone that wishes to help out please contact your District Volunteer Chairman and get a room reserved. You will have lots of fellowship, hard work, fun and good food.

The Jack Stickley Fellowship Display is in place at Camp Dogwood in the Joyce Lodge. It features a 42inch LCD TV and Computer that continuously scroll through and displays the Stickley Fellows on screen in alphabetic order. Displays name, date of fellowship, number and District.

Saturday afternoon there will be a Caucus to discuss the plans for the new dorm. If you have question this will be the place to ask.

We have a generous donor that will pay \$250,000 for the naming rights. That name will be announced at the Board meeting Sunday.

District Governors, thank you for all you do in Lionism.

Respectfully submitted,



Carlton Metts
President NCLF



CAMPAIGN SiGHTFIRST II

LIONS VISION FOR ALL

Report to the Council of Governors Greenville, NC February 11, 2006

As your Sector Coordinator for Sector I-3-A, this report is presented to update our progress at this time for Campaign Sightfirst II in North Carolina.

1. Appointment of District Coordinators (DC) and Group Coordinators (GC):

- All District Coordinators were appointed by the District Governors by our October 31, 2005 deadline.
- All districts were divided into Groups, essentially along existing zone lines. Some Governors chose to combine groups; which is fine.
- As of today, all Governors have appointed Group Coordinators for their districts except for 31 B and 31J. The original deadline was December 14 which was extended to January 14 and finally to January 31.

2. Training of District and Group Coordinators:

- This will take place March 11, 18, and 26 at three sites yet to be named. The tentative sites are Camp Dogwood, Archdale, and Greenville. It is possible that a fourth make-up date will be needed depending upon attendance.
- The training will last about 4 hours. The training will teach the GC's how to present CSF II to the clubs in their group. These club visits must be accomplished no later than **May 31, 2006**. Keep that date in mind! A personal call must be made to Dr. Lee on **June 14, 2006** reporting the results of our club visits. There will be no extensions of this date.
- District Coordinators will be trained to oversee this report from the GC's and in turn report it to me. Dr. Lee will be using our numbers in his report in Boston at the Convention.

3. What are the clubs being asked to do?

- Each club will be asked to raise funds in four ways-personal pledges, solicitation of outside gifts, a special fund raiser, and funds from the treasury.
- The emphasis will be on personal pledges over a three year period.
- The total of all four of these methods of fund raising will be used to determine the goal for the club over a three year period. Suggested goal \$125/member.
- Some clubs will do their fund raising starting in 2006-2007 and some may

Attachment "C" (Cont.)

choose to start in 2007-2008. Regardless they have three years to complete their goals.

- Remember the 40-40-20 rule.
- All funds raised can be used to name Melvin Jones Fellows.
- All club goals must be finalized and reported by **August 29,2006.**
- Banner patches and other recognitions will be available.

4. Model Clubs:

- North Carolina has one Model Club, the Unionville Club from 3 IE.
- I have met with them and trained them, A Model Club has been requested to raise at least \$400 per member using the four ways I described above. They assured me that they would be successful.
- As a Model club, they will begin their campaign this year and complete their goals by 2008.

5. Marketing of CSF II:

- At all of the District Conventions I have attended, each ID has spoken about CSF II. Within the next three months, I hope every club will have heard about it through club programs. Start putting this in your newsletter.
- I am also requesting time be allotted for a seminar at the State Convention in April. Rachel Beard, a marketing representative from International will be in attendance.
- I am requesting a table to be provided at the State Convention in April for a static CSF II display.
- I am requesting a one-hour training time slot at both the DGE training in February as well as the VDG training in May.

Needless to say, this plan was successful 15 years ago. Also, please note that the deadlines I give you are not mine—they are set by the campaign. Missing a deadline causes a logjam that makes the next step harder to meet.

This is an exciting time in Lionism. This Council has said they want to tell the story of Lionism. CSF II can be a way for you to tell what Lions do. I need your help in making North Carolina a leader in this humanitarian effort!

Harvey Whitley, PCC

Sector Coordinator I-3-A

2006 State Convention Report

Attachment "D"

Good Morning Governors

The 2006 NC State Lions Convention is almost here. Things are proceeding well and have begun to fall in place.

The committee is working hard. District Governors, District Governors Elects, Vice District Governors, please solicit ads in your districts. Governors, we need ads.

The convention activities will begin Thursday evening with dinner at 6:30-10:00 pm for State Council, International Family & District Governors Elect's.

Friday, April 21st 10:00 Golfing at Bradford Creek County Club - Details will be announced later.

Registration is 9:00am to 9:00pm. Silent Auction? Hospitality Rooms open at 1:00 to 5:00pm Friday Fun Night 6:30 with entertainment by Boys/Girls groups.

Saturday morning, April 22nd, begins with registration at 7:30 AM Tail Twisters / Key Member Breakfast and Auction. Lions begin now to collect door prizes and items for the Auction. Who will be the Head Tail Twister ???

At 10:30am, Saturday morning, tours at Pitt Memorial Hospital University Health Care System will be provided.

General Convention Sessions begins at 9:45am to 11:45am. Governors and Council Chair, I need those who will be presiding.

Saturday, April 23rd Certification of Delegates and Alternates at 11:00am to 12:00pm

The PDG Luncheon will follow at 12 noon to 1:30 PM. Seminars will follow; Details to be announce later and other activities. Hospitality Rooms open at 1:00pm

District Governors Banquet will begin at 7:00pm.

Sunday, April 24th, Registration at 8:00am to 9:45am

Certification of Delegates/ Alternates 8:00 AM to 8:45 AM

Service of Remembrance will begin at 8:45am until 9:45am - who will be in charge?

Cabinet meetings will follow at 10:00 AM

The Second General Session begins at 11:00 AM

The District Governor's Elect Reception will begin at 12:00 PM

Governors ,please provide a list of those in charge of each event

David Boyd, Jr. Convention Chair

Attachment "E"

BOYS AND GIRLS HOMES OF NC. QUARTERLY REPORT

February 11, 2006, Greenville, NC

Just when things seem to be falling in place and we are looking forward to great new strides, disaster strikes, though not major. A fire in the cloths dryer in the Lions Cottage, smoke, smoke and more smoke, luckily that was the only damage. This made it necessary to relocate the boys to another cottage while the clean-up takes place, they should return about February 15th.

The Lions Cottage was built in 1960 and after 45 years of hard use it is time to look at some updates and renovations. The fire made it necessary to adjust the project list (painting had to be none now) before the boys return to the cottage. The remodeling projects include: new roofing, kitchen dishwasher, commercial refrigerator, renovating bathrooms, replacing blinds, install carpet, replace windows and replace some wall paneling; the total projected cost to complete all these projects is about \$47,545. In addition to the renovations a new vehicle is needed, as the 15 passenger van will not be insured after June 1st, a new outdoor grill, entertainment center and computer desks are needed about another \$21,000. How can the Lions of North Carolina help? Of course donations will help or sources of contribution of the needed materials or labor or all the above! Also, some exterior landscaping is needed to enhance the overall appearance of our cottage.

I would like to see the Lions of North Carolina have a Boys and Girls Homes WORK DAY sometime in May or early June. CAN WE DO IT? ? ?

Thank you for allowing me to serve! Yours in
Lionism,

Brad

W. Brad Logsdon, PDG

Attachment "E" (Cont.)

Lions Cottage Remodeling Projects Winter 2006

(Revised 2/8/06)

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

Lions Cottage Needs List - Winter 2006

(Revised 2/7/06)

Cottage Needs List	Estimated Cost
Cottage vehicle - Mini Van	\$18,000.00
3 Computer Desks for the Game Room	\$1,000.00
Pool Table (Donated by Southland Amusements 2 & 06)	\$ 2,500.00
Entertainment Center	\$ 700.00
Couch Cushions	\$ 700.00
New Outdoor Grill	\$ 500.00
Remaining balance	\$ 20,900.00

Eliada Homes, Inc.

Attachment "F"

From: Mark C Upright [mupright@ELIADA.org]

Sent: Wednesday, February 08, 2006 2:02 PM

To: davmarbutler@citcom.net

Cc: Linda Humphrey

Subject: Tours a Eliada & Renovations

Importance: High

Attention all Lions!

Eliada is pleased to announce that we have completed substantial improvements and renovations at the Lion's Cottage to better serve the children who live there. Renovations include: All new bathrooms, new carpeting in living areas and bedrooms, the entire interior was repainted, new furniture in the living room, dining room and class room, new work spaces in the office, new sidewalk and an enlarged recreation area that includes a half court basketball area.

Lion's cottage is an extremely important asset to the children of Western North Carolina who are experiencing significant emotional problems. At any given time, Lion's cottage, which houses 9 children ages 12 through 17, has a waiting list of over ten children. Many of the children who graduate from the Lion's program go on to Eliada's Level III cottages and attend Eliada Academy, our fully licensed private school. Most children will eventually be reunited with their families and continue a successful academic track in their local public schools. None of this would be possible without the specialized treatment received at Lion's cottage; Lion's cottage would not be possible without your continued support.

The staff and students of Eliada would like to remind all Lion's of our campus tours every Tuesday. Starting at 10:30 am and concluding at lunch with our students. You will see where our children live, learn, work and play everyday and why Eliada stands out nationally from other residential treatment programs. We now include the Lion's cottage in that tour, so you can meet the children living there and see why this special environment is making such a major difference in so many young lives. If you can't join us on a Tuesday, please contact Linda Humphrey at 828-254-5356, ext: 108; she would be happy to schedule a tour at you convenience.

As always Eliada's Mission is: *Helping Children Succeed*

Thank you for your past and future support! Mark
Upright J.D., M.B.A. President/CEO Eliada Homes,
Inc.



The Multiple District 31 Constitution & By-Laws Committee Report

The North Carolina Lions Multiple District 31 Constitution & By-Laws Committee, in its capacity as an advisory committee to both the Council of Governors and the North Carolina Lions Foundation, met at 12:00 noon on November 12, 2005, in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Committee Members in attendance: District A: Dave Butler; District C: John O'Malley; District F: Ron Kelly (Chair); and. District H: Edward D. Shivers, III.

Having been charged by the Council of Governors, meeting in general session, to revisit the Council Chair Selection Process the Committee met to draft language amending (A) Constitution Article V, State Council, Section 1, and By-Laws Article 1, Section 7, relating to the State Council Chairperson Selection Process, and (B) By-Laws, Article III, Section 9 modifying the job description of the Nominating Committee. At the request of the North Carolina Lions Foundation, Article VI, Membership, Section 3, relating to how contributions are handled was also reviewed.

Subsequent to our meeting. Committee members met, via e-mail, to review a draft of the changes and the language for the changes was finalized. On February 7, 2006, the Council of Governors & all Vice District Governors were e-mailed a copy of the changes for their review.

We look forward to the State Council meeting on February 11, 2006, at which time we will seek their advice and consent to publish the amendments so they may be placed on the agenda of the North Carolina Lions Convention to be held at the Greenville (NC) Hilton Hotel from April 20th through April 23rd, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald F. Kelly PDG/VDG District 31-F Chair,
State Constitution & By-Laws Committee

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ron Kelly". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

February 11,2006

Constitution & By-Laws Committee Report to the State Council of Governors

Ref: Amendments to the Constitution & By-Laws

At its General Meeting on November 12, 2005, the Council of Governors charged the Constitution & By-Laws Committee to revisit the Council Chair Selection Process. Also, on November 13th, North Carolina Lions Foundation requested a modification of their By-Laws regarding Membership.

Selection of a Council Chairperson

The Committee, mindful of the discussion and the charge given to it during the General Session, **recommends the following changes:**

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

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

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

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

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

Section 7. Past District Governors interested in the position of Council Chairperson shall submit their name and resume of service by December 31st to the State Council Secretary/Treasurer. After certifying qualifications, the names and copies of resumes are to be submitted to the currently serving Vice-District Governors no later than January 20th.

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

The selection of the Council Chairperson shall be made and announced at the February

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State Council Meeting.

The Council Chairperson so selected will be a voting member of the Council of Governors and while serving shall not concurrently serve as a chairperson of any other statewide committee.

The Committee further recommends that By-Laws Article III, Section 9, relating to the description of the duties of the Nominating Committee be amended by adding additional sentences to its job description as follows:

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

North Carolina Lions Foundation By-Laws

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

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

Attachment "H"

DIABETES AWARENESS COMMITTEE

Fellow Lions,

The chairpersons of the district Diabetes awareness committees have been working to make the clubs and communities in N C aware of the ever increasing problem of diabetes. We have presented 17 club programs and 5 non-club programs. The districts have Partnered with JDRF, Walking for the Cure, Diabetes Fair, and Vision Van for the Diabetics. Several program and other activities are planned with the club for the future. These figures would have been higher, but several district failed to respond to the questionnaire I sent out in early January.

Now let us talk a little about Diabetes Awareness. I am going to present a few figures to show you the task that is ahead for the Lions of NC. Between 1995 and 2003, the diagnosed diabetic cases in NC increased 76%, that is from 4.6% of the state population to 8.2%. That 8.2 % equates 697,000 residents of our state. We have 212,000 individuals (who are our neighbors) that do not know that they have diabetes and 527,000 who have pre-diabetes.

Pre-diabetes is an early indicator of future diabetes. The first year 11% of the pre-diabetic will develop Type 2 diabetes. At the end often years most will have diabetes unless their lifestyle changes. Some of the factors to consider are (1) weight adjustment, a lost of 5 to 8 % will make a big difference; (2) Exercise, 30 minutes per day 5 days per week; and (3) diet, a least 5 fruits and vegetables per day. It is estimated that by 2030, the number of diabetics will double.. In the U S, we now have 41 million between 40 and 74 with pre-diabetes.

We, as Helen Keller's Knights of the Blind, need to make N C public aware of the ever increasing growth of diabetes in N C. Not only because of the health factors: cardiac diseases, high blood pressure, circulation problems, renal problems, vision and others, but quality of life. Let's look at vision, 26 % of the Type 2 diabetics will develop some type of vision disease. Most will have some level of diabetic retinopathy. It is much better to help prevent blindness than to provide a cane or seeing eye dog for them.

So I am asking the incoming District Governors to consider a chairperson who is dedicated to the prevention of blindness by making the fellow North Carolinians of your district aware of the prevalence of diabetes and the ways to help prevent it.

Thank You

Bill Barnwell

Diabetes Awareness Chair

North Carolina Statewide Extension Activity Report

By: State Extension Chair Houston Henderson, PDG

February 11, 2006—Greenville, NC

Since the last State Council Meeting, we have held two Extension Seminar/ Workshops in the state. We held one at Camp Dogwood on 12-3-05 for Districts A,B, C, D, & E, and one at District G,H,&J Mid-Winter Convention in Greenville, NC on 1-21-06. District F was also included in this workshop. We had a total of 19 in the West and 14 in the East, including District Governors, Past District Governors, District/State/International Mission 30 Coordinators, Zone and Region Chairs, Statewide and District Extension Chairs, membership, retention, orientation, leadership chairs, other district chairs and interested Lions.

Your Statewide Extension Chair, PID Sid Scruggs, and several other presenters led the discussion at these two Extension Seminar/Workshops. With this attendance demonstrating this much interest in extension, we should get some results in the last 4 *Vi* months of the year. WE NEED RESULTS!! Contact with the District Extension Chairs reveals the following activities:

District A - Actively working on a regular club-could charter this year

District B - One regular club looks good this year; two club branches looks probable.

District C - No Report

District D - One regular club looks very possible this year. Working on Regular Club-probably next year.

District E - Nothing definite, but don't write E off.

District F - One campus club almost complete; one regular club on the drawing board, groundwork being done on three other towns.

District G - None in the mill; looking at one; none expected before 6-30-06.

District H - A lot of activity in H, but not in extension, some preliminary work being done on one regular club.

District J - Extension Chair working with interested PDG on a campus club - good possibility by 6-30-06; also looking at a regular club-possible by 6-30-06.

As you can see, according to the reports I get, we have not chartered a club in North Carolina this Lions year.

At the first Council Meeting of the year, we accepted a challenge and apparently -xowe. forgot about it. So now let's take another look; can we re-evaluate and accept our International Presidents original goal of at least one (1) net club per District and one (1) net gain per club in membership?

L-I-O-N-S - Loving Individuals Offering Needed Services!! WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO OFFER??

I'm going to pass the "offering plate". There is a blank card in it for each district. Please write on the card what you plan to "offer" the extension goal between now and June 30,2006.

Respectably Submitted,

Lion Houston Henderson, PDG
NC State Extension Chairperson

History Committee Report

February 11,2006 Hilton Hotel, Greenville, NC

Governors,

For the last few months the State History Committee has been gathering information for the NC Lions

History Book 1988 - 2006. Not only will it be a history book, but a reference book on Lionism.

We are striving to make it both interesting and readable. It will include events, people, positions, projects and pictures.

Another meeting is scheduled for March 24th to begin assembling our materials and determining what is missing.

Each of you current Governors is asked to write a 150-word summary of something of historical significance during your year in office. Also please contact your History Chairperson and urge them to get their materials in by the March meeting.

Dr. Ted James History Committee
Chair

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Report to State Council February 11,2006

From: PDG Robert W. Moorehead, State Leadership Chair

- 1) An expense claim for the December training session for Governor Elects was mailed to LCI. A check for \$750.00 was received and mailed to State Secretary George Ohm.
- 2) The second training session has been scheduled for February 24-26, 2006. Sufficient time has been left for the Gov-Elects to caucus.
- 3) Would the Governor Elects please give me the name, address, telephone number, etc. for your cabinet secretary, and treasurer if they are two different individuals so they can be sent invitations to the training at month end.
- 4) Training for the VDG-Elects has been scheduled for May 12-13, 2006.

Attachment "N"

Mission 30 Plus - One -- State of North Carolina December Report

District	Clubs	LYEM	NEW	RENTS	TRANS	DROPS	NETDM	YTDM
A	50	1176	51	3	3	-106	-49	1127
B	39	928	41	3	3	-29	+18	946
C	35	719	28	2	0	-35	-5	714
D	43	1167	54	4	2	-56	+4	1171
E	45	1081	31	4	1	-75	-39	1042
F	50	1197	69	5	2	-75	+1	1198
G	40	1237	42	5	4	-59	-8	1229
H	40	940	37	2	5	-33	+11	951
J	43	961	24	3	1	-58	-30	931
TOTAL	384	9406	377	31	21	-526	-97	9309

Still waiting on two districts for their Mission 30 coordinator, I would appreciate receiving these ASAP.
District-E and J

As of December 31 only 4 Districts are showing an increase in membership. Starting in February I will be able to check other clubs as I now have a pass word to review ail "M" Reports. This will help me to support the other District Coordinators.

Mission 30 Coordinators need to report monthly on Extension, Retention and Leadership. PID Sid requests this information.

EXTENTION:

I an aware of a possible Campus Club in "F" and a new club in North Wilkesboro and a Branch Luncheon Club in Newton. I'm not aware of any others.

RETENTION:

District B Retention Chair receives each month a copy of any "M" reports showing a lost. They received a thank you note for years of service or if they have relocated give them the name of a local club they could transfer to. I'm unaware of how other districts are handling.

LEADERSHIP:

District B has two dates in May for incoming club officer training. No reports from other districts.

I'm available to assist the District Governor's or his coordinator on the Mission 30 program.
Thank you

Willie S. Hudson, PDG

Nominations Committee Report

PDG Brad Logsdon and District Governors all:

All District Governor-elects have been voted on and passed and are in the process of receiving their training.

The Vice District Governor-elects have been voted on and passed for the year 2006-2007:

District A: Paulette Gasperson

District B: James F. Foster - North Wilkesboro Lions Club

District C: John T. James - Gastonia Evening Lions Club

District D: B.B. Oliver

District E: Sydney Eudy

District F: Tommy Brooks - Laurinburg Lions Club

District G: Wayne McGohan

District H: George Fisher - New Bern Lions Club

District J: Herman (Bud) Miller - Rocky Hock lions Club

PDG Alien Deaton,
State Nominations Chairman

ORIENTATION REPORT FEBRUARY 11, 2006

EDWARD D. SHIVERS III MD-31 ORIENTATION CHAIRMAN

GOOD MORNING GOVERNORS, FELLOW LIONS AND GUESTS

ORIENTATION SHOULD BE AN ONGOING PROGRAM UNFORTUNATELY, WE HAVE MANY MEMBERS THAT HAVE BEEN AROUND FOR SEVERAL YEARS AND HAVE NEVER HAD AN ORIENTATION. THEY HAVE THE ATTITUDE THAT THEY KNOW ALL THERE IS TO KNOW ABOUT LIONISM AND THEY DO NOT, ESPECIALLY ABOVE THE CLUB LEVEL. FURTHER, MANY LION CLUB MEMBERS DO NOT KNOW WHAT SERVICES ARE PERFORMED BY THEIR OWN CLUB, LET ALONE HIGHER UP.

ORIENTATION SHOULD START WITH THE SPONSOR ON INITIAL CONTACT WITH A PROSPECTIVE MEMBER. HE OR SHE SHOULD PROVIDE THE PROSPECTIVE MEMBER GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT LIONISM ESPECIALLY WHAT THE LOCAL CLUB DOES.

PROSPECTIVE MEMBER SHOULD ATTEND A PROSPECTIVE MEMBER ORIENTATION WHERE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS PROVIDED

THE INDUCTING OFFICER SHOULD PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT LIONISM. ALL INDUCTIONS SHOULD BE SPECIAL, REMEMBER FIRST IMPRESSIONS GO ALONG WAY

NEW MEMBER SHOULD ATTEND A NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION, WHERE MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ON LIONISM IS PROVIDED.

A BRIEF REFRESHER ORIENTATION PROGRAM SHOULD BE GIVEN TO ALL LIONS EACH YEAR. THIS SHOULD NOT ONLY TO BE A REFRESHER BUT ALSO TO PROVIDE CURRENT CHANGES AND HAPPENINGS.

WE ALL NEED TO GET THROUGH TO OUR LIONS THAT THEY NEED TO SELL "COMMUNITY AND LIONS SERVICES IN ORDER TO GET QUALITY COMMUNITY SERVICE ORIENTED MEMBERS AND TO KEEP THEM.

THE ORIENTATION COMMITTEE IS IN THE PROCESS OF PUTTING TOGETHER A PROGRAM FOR EACH PHASE OF ORIENTATION.

THANK YOU,

EDWARD D. SHIVERS, III

ORIENTATION CHAIR

Attachment “ Q”

RESEARCH AND LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT TO N.C. LIONS COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS February 11,2006 DISTRICT GOVERNORS, VICE DISTRICT GOVERNORS, FELLOW LIONS

Our committee, which is comprised of the following members:

A-Larry F Gasperson, PDG B-Allen W. Deaton, PDG C-John J O'Malley, PDG D-Ralph Holmes, PDG
E-Dr. Ted L. James, PDG F-Charles D. Smith, PDG G-James Valsame, PDG H-Barbara Mayes, DG
J-John T. Miller, 111, PDG

Is working on a 2 to 5 year Long Range Plan as ordered by this Council. We have asked each State Chair under the Council to submit their recommendations for their area of responsibility by February 2006. To date one State Chair has responded, PDG Ed Shivers. To be fair there are a number of committees where it would be extremely difficult to plan beyond the current year because of the repetitive nature of their duties.

Our committee has a few recommendations to make as follows:

- 1) That State Chairs when making recommendations to the Council, be required to have the concurrence of a majority of the District Chairs. Sometimes the State Chair makes recommendations without majority approval.
- 2) That VDGE be required to choose one or more (willing) PDG's to act in an advisory capacity. In effect mentoring the individual Lion candidate thru the VDG and DG process.
- 3) We also recommend that the VDGE should attend as many of the following as possible: District Convention, State Convention, Budget Hearings, VIP Fishing Tournament, Council and Foundation Meetings.
- 4) We further recommend that the District Governor be required to keep the VDG up-to-date on what is taking place in the district.
- 5) When naming district chairs the District Governor must ask the individual Lion if they know what is required of them, if they do not, then see that such information is supplied to them.
- 6) A problem that needs to be addressed is the high monetary goals set for the clubs when membership is declining and more money for service projects is required in their communities.

These are our recommendations and suggestions. We are still working on some other items including Orientation and training at the Club level among others. One other area for discussion is how to get committees together to work on these problems when the District Chairs do not receive any reimbursement and work and other schedules make it difficult to meet. We know other committees are working on some of these problems and would appreciate knowing who is working on what.

Lion John J. O'Malley, PDG,

State Chair, Research & Long Range Planning

State Retention Committee Report

Attachment "R"

I. Frank Brooks, Jr. PDG
Retention Committee Chairperson
February 11, 2006

Council Members,

Arthur Bruce Barton once stated, "Action and reaction, ebb and flow, trial and error, change this is the rhythm of living. .Out of over-confidence ,fear; out of our fear, clearer vision, fresh hope, and out of hope, progress. "As an organization that specializes in serving people with disabilities, assisting with natural disasters and all of the many programs and services offered by North Carolina Lions, we have seen many changes. Nevertheless, our hope has never been lost, instead we continue to progress and move this great organization forward through challenges, on to new beginnings.

However, we are faced with a challenge of membership retention in Lionism throughout the great state of North Carolina that will require all of our input, creative thinking and innovation to correct. The result of not correcting our problems with the continued loss of our members will subject us to being put in transition. e do not need nor want this to happen to our great state. We must continue to help our members to better understand how retention of members enables us to provide and support those many programs and services we offer. Especially to our Visually and Hearing Impaired communities, disabled, and Youth of the World.

We must all pull together in a statewide effort to become better stewards of our membership by encouraging our existing members to become" more involved". We must recruit new members through developing new clubs and being more positive with working relationships with "all members".

As I've stated in the past , and also those who preceded me agreed on;" it will take each member, club, zone, region and District to accomplish this. However, the bottom line is this. "IT CAN BE DONE". Together we must make a difference and we can, if we work much smarter and be more cohesive in our approach. It is definitely a time of rededication and total commitment to our vision and mission to truly proclaim "WE SERVE".

I thank you very much for allowing me to serve as Statewide Retention Chairperson. .I also thank each of you individually and collectively for your continuing efforts to make Multiple District-31 healthy and growth oriented.

Respectfully submitted,
I. Frank Brooks, Jr., PDG

Youth Exchange Committee

Attachment “ S”

To: Council of Governors

From: Karen Littlefield, Chairman

Greetings from Florida!

As of Friday February 10th, All 12 spaces in our camp have been reserved. Applications have been received and accepted for 6 students, with the remaining 6 to be accepted and received before March 1st. The accepted applicants represent Austria, Romania, Belgium, Germany, Denmark and Slovenia: four females and two male students age 17-20. I am waiting on confirmations from Hong Kong, Nigeria, Italy, The Netherlands, Turkey and Hungary.

ALL 12 spaces will be filled, as I have more students applied should any of the above six countries choose not to participate.

I have confirmed 3 Host Families: ALL from the western part of the state as the students will arrive at the Charlotte International Airport on July 1, 2006. I am in need of 3-5 more host families.

I am actively working to arrange an exchange for 3 students from North Carolina. Two students are from the St. Andrews Campus Club. There are no confirmations to date. I expect confirmation within the month.

I would like to present for discussion two issues:

1. I would like to create a website for the North Carolina Camp. I think it is vital to visually communicate with the potential campers as well as the Lions throughout our state. It would be a tribute to the Lions Clubs that take the initiative to welcome these students to their towns and into their homes.
2. I would like to explore the possibility of arranging an exchange for a junior or senior student from the Waccamaw Boys and Girls Home. We could award them the scholarship available and provide the funds for travel. If there is interest, I believe it could be arranged for this summer. This could be a life changing experience at a nominal expense. With council approval, I will work with Brad Logsdon and the staff at the Boys and Girls Home to choose the student and make the exchange.

I am also requesting space at the State Convention. I will have information available for potential students and host families as well as photos from past camps.

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Karen

Attachment "T"

To: State Council

From: Michael H. Schwartz, Chairperson, Public Information & Education Committee

Re: State Convention Press Room

Date: 10 February 2006

The Public Information & Education Committee would like to thank the State Council and the State Convention Committee for allowing our committee to participate in the 2006 North Carolina Lions State Convention by hosting the Media Room.

Enclosed you will find our projected expenditures for the convention. In exchange for inviting us to participate, the committee will provide the following services:

- Produce a media release to be distributed to Greenville-area media outlets prior to the convention.
- Coordinate any media coverage as needed.
- Produce a color pre-convention newsletter that will be made available to attendees.
- Produce a daily newsletter that will provide a review of convention events and a preview of activities. The newsletter will be made available to attendees.
- Provide a photographer for all convention events
- Create a photo display board of convention activities
- Provide each district governor and vice district governor with a photo CD of the convention
- Provide each member of the state convention committee with a photo CD of the convention
- Provide the international guest with a photo CD of the convention
- Provide each district governor and vice district governor with a photograph with the international guest.
- Provide a photographer to travel with the international guest
- Provide four pages of convention coverage in the newspaper of the North Carolina Lions Foundation.
- Create and distribute a press release/with photo of recipients of an international award to the respective newspaper of record in their hometown.

In 2004 and 2005, the State Council provided a complimentary room at the convention site in exchange for staffing the Media Room. The projected expenditure for the 2006 state convention includes this expense, along with the total cost of equipment and tickets to attend the International Family Dinner, Friday Fun Night, Tail Twister Breakfast, Past District Governors' Luncheon and District Governors' Banquet. As for supplies, most items will be donated. Expenses for additional supplies purchased on site will be submitted for reimbursement.

In order to save printing costs, the Public Information & Education Committee is recommending the rental of a copier. I have contacted an office equipment rental business in Greenville that has agreed to rent the North Carolina Lions for a total of \$450.

Respectfully Submitted
Michael H. Schwartz

State Chairperson