



1. Call to Order

Acting SAA 1st VDG Stu Young called the meeting to order, and presented the usual notices concerning Health and Safety. It was reported DG Team were present accompanied by their Teddies.

2. Introduction/Welcome from DG.

DG welcome both those present and attending on line via Zoom.

1st VDG Stu was invited to read the Lions Code of Ethics.

DG offered congratulations to 105 CW Lions who had been appointed to International and CA IV (Europe) Offices.

PCC Stewart Sherman-Kahn Board appointee 2023 – 2024.

IPDG Rav Sandhu CA IV GAT Lead (MD105, MD 110, D133 and Gibraltar).

PCC Andy Pemberton CA IV LCIF Coordinator (MD105, MD 110, D133).

He extended a welcome to six new Clubs who had been set up by 105 CW since the last meeting Northampton Castle, Warwickshire Coaching, Coventry Phoenix, Coventry Holybush, Coventry Sonali, Coventry Trinity.

DG emphasized Membership growth is still our challenge not only retain but recruit, there was a simple structure IPDG Rav was responsible for finding New clubs, 2nd VDG Sue was responsible for recruiting individual new members and retention of existing members.

3. Apologies had been received from

SAA Lion Bill O'Neil, Lion Julia O'Neil, Lion Melissa Murphy, Lion Paul Murphy, Lion Stuart Milsom, Lion Leonie Seymour Milsom, Lion Geoff Bull, Lion Ailsa Young Lion Tommy Sandhu.

4. Minutes of May 2023 Meeting

District Secretary reported he had been unable to recover recording from recording machine Working for the Broker.

5. Report back from July 2023 MD105 Council Meeting

The DG gave a comprehensive report back from the meeting, and with discussion it took just over an hour.

Code of Conduct: DG reported that this was being written, based on a Code operated by Australian Lions

Insurance: This was an ongoing, Philip Goodier MD Treasurer and Brigitte as HQ Office manager were working with the newly appointed MD Insurance broker to establish a new comprehensive Insurance policy which was expected to Cover events with sale of Alcohol. But the key message was

Clubs were expected to prepare proper Risk assessments for events, and inform Insurers when certain events were taking place.

A list of activities undertaken by had been provided to PCC Phillip Goodier, 60 Clubs from 105CW had responded to District Secretary.

There would no longer be a MD Insurance Advisor, Becky Hall was now working for the Broker. Brigitte is currently handling queries from Clubs.

DG was requested to ensure an Insurance handbook was again issued.

Risk Assessments: Council had retained an outside contractor (Budget £10,000) to train minimum 2 of Lions per District, who would return to their District to train Region and Zone Chairs to train Club representatives. DG had asked for and been allocated 3 training places for 105CW.



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MD105 Foundation: This was discussed by Council who had a number of misunderstandings about the Foundation. The majority of the Funds are ring fenced not general and freely available such as Youth, MD Disaster, WASH and Ball for All. Also MD Foundation does not donate to LCIF or compete with Appeals on items LCIF supports.

Brain Tumor: DG reported that Lions Brain Tumor were expecting an LCIF grant of \$250,000.

Vision Cameras: 1st VDG reported that things were moving, not as quickly as he hoped. Health Service were passing responsibility to Education department which meant dealing with 300 separate entities such as Academy groups. Roll out will be by District starting with CW. Stu had set up a meeting with the supplier at USA Canada Forum when attending forthcoming USA/Canada Forum in Reno.

Hunger: Officer need any interested?

Membership: work on New member workshops discussed SSK offered to update his Club presentation and distribute to GMT/GLT leaders.

Youth: The Council had a comprehensive review of Youth Activities, this was expected to be ready for October.

Safeguarding: The Safeguarding policy is still in course of preparation.

MD Convention: This will be held in Weston Super Mare, DG hopes as many as possible will attend.

Data Compliance: Robin Banks had stepped down as MD Officer but remains as 105CW Officer.

Young Ambassador: YA would be celebrating 50th anniversary in 2024.

Youth Exchange: Youth Camp would be limited to 20 Attendees most carried over from 2023 applications.

DG/District shopping list: District treasurer raised question should District list Lions projects for Clubs to support, worthy projects were maybe being ignored. District Treasurer to prepare list.

6. 105CW Convention 2024

Venue Parkway Hotel, March 22-24 20234.

Gala Dinner Friday evening, Host Night Saturday Theme Dad's Army. Day rate will be available inc lunch.

Whole Hotel reserved, Early bird discount available end November? MD Booking system will be used and Card payment facility will be available.

Full accessibility for those with mobility issues.

International Guest will be PID Gary Anderson from Grand Rapid Falls, North Dakota, U.S.A.

He has a great deal of experience/knowledge about Sight Cameras Project.

He will be Guest at 105 CE immediately prior to visiting CW.

SSK asked for a Service project to be researched.



DG wants a Foreign Currency collection for Gift for Living, Glasses collection to be fully researched no storage at Hotel past weekend.

7. Region and Zone Chair reports/Meeting

1st VDG Stu reported no updates to reports submitted. Question re availability of Grants had been answered.

8. District Officer Reports

DG Team: 2nd VDG Sue reported she was updating the District 3 year plan and would be working with various team Leaders to develop agreed plan. The responsibility for the plan will rest with the 2nd VDG of the year

CNRO: Updated report informing Cabinet that they were about to circulate Convention call letter for DG approval, this covered Nominations for DG Team posts and Resolutions for debate at Convention.

District Treasurer: 2nd VDG Sue asked for clarification as to what value should be used when completing the proforma report. DT stated replacement value Medal and Ribbon should be valued at £140.00, value for projectors to be established.

Admin Assistant: Requested yet again please use current year reportin forms, identifiable with DG David's logo.

GLT Coordinator: Update please note Robin Banks planned courses on Data Compliance have been cancelled.

Noted that Council had approved another Symposium, Zone Chairs to look for candidates. Another RLLI would take place in 2024

GST Coordinator: Attention drawn to 2022-2023 stats that had been issued.

Cabinet requested and agreed to support submission of Dudley Lions Club work for a #Kindness Matters award.

Sight officer update: Lion Richard Stannard presented a request from Rugby Rokeby for support to help with running costs of a Mobile Sight Clinic (also includes Diabetes testing). There was a detailed discussion covering the following points:

No LCIF or MD105 Foundation available for non-capital spend, is there a piece of equipment required.

There are a number of Clubs operating Sight projects difficult to choose one over another.

Lion Richard to use newsletter to find out how many Sight Projects operating in District.

Maybe organize a District eye camp appeal.

Is there anyway of generating a local income stream, sponsorship Govt/Local Govt grants.

Global Extension Team: IPDG reported on Zoom link from Oakbrook

6 Clubs formed, had updated DG at meeting. Progress September training for Club Officers, CIO forms are being completed and contact had been made with Lloyds bank in preparation of opening accounts.

Youth Officer: Updated Cabinet and requested DG to ask Council if age limit for Young Leaders especially for those with learning difficulties.



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Comms: Webmaster requested Officers to send i information so their web pages can be updated on the District web site.

International: It was confirmed that 103NIE Convention dates clashed with those of 105CW, and Convention Team to budget accordingly.
There was a discussion about the Twinning agreement did it need revision in light of difficulties in "export" spectacles post Brexit, Should the 2 Districts explore other joint Service project.

9. AOB No matters raised.

10. Next Meeting

After Autumn Forum 19th November no Zoom link.
Headquarters will be open prior to Forum to receive glasses for recycling.

11. DG closing remarks

DG thanked everyone for their attendance and for their input.
District Treasurer and District Secretary were presented with pins as they missed changeover.

12. SAA closing remarks

Acting SAA formally closed the meeting after levying fine as acting Tail twister.