1st Business Session - Friday, April 29, 2022

All 5 districts represented w/ 25 delegates attending Call to Order: CC William Donnellan - 33K @3:01 PM

Parliamentarian: PCC Paul Schleicher - 33S

5 Point Opening Introductions

Committee Reports

<u>Constitution and By-Laws Committee (Rules of Order)</u> - Chairman PDG Greg Prentice - 33Y Tomorrow at the 2nd business meeting items will be presented to be discussed - they do not require a vote, will present to be discussed, housekeeping items only. Rules of order were sent to each CS & CST. PDG Charlie Menard, Randolph, 33K motion to approve; Lion Jennifer Menelly, Quincy Lions, 33K 2nd; all in favor

Mass Lions All State Band - no band performance this year

Council of Governor's approved Greg Prentice to become the chair of All State Band next year - with pressing issues, he is the best person moving forward with his background as prior chair & chaperone. COVID - we need 80% of the group vaccinated for herd immunity. With HIPPA violations in mind, we cannot ask if someone is vaccinated. A group of 16-19 year olds was the group stats used - based on the scientific stats available - that age group started at 3% vaccinated & we were not going to reach the 80% by April, so the decision was made to not move forward this year DG Martin Middleton, 33S, Bridgewater Community, motion to approve; Lion Diana Faust, 33K, Medway, 2nd; all in favor

Cabinet Secretary – Treasurers' Report

<u>CS Greg Prentice - 33Y</u> - all clubs have paid dues in full except 2 or 3 for the 2nd half; all clubs paid for the 1st half. 3 advisories in person. Still working w/ an ID in Oklahoma on a BBQ PDG Jeannette McIntosh, Athol, 33A, motion to approve PDG Joan Baptiste, Amesbury, 33N 2nd; all in favor

<u>CS Sue Ash - 33A</u> - We need to effectively serve our community by having a presence whether an ad, website or Facebook page. We need to move the ones who aren't. "Get Social" campaign was started in the district during each visit. Some local highschools are also being worked with to update that information. It will only help membership, donations & assistance. Report sent Jim McIntosh, Athol, 33A, motion to approve Lion Ted Abbott, Randolph, 33K 2nd; all in favor

<u>CT Tony Ash - 33A</u> - CT Tony has visited every club & reached out to every Treasurer including a Treasurer's newsletter; Dues notices were fully emailed rather than mailed; New Best Treasurer award in the district focusing on leadership, passion for Lions & creativity. CT Tony will be continuing on as CT next year - looking to mainstream information & start a fireside chat for Treasurer PCC Susan Dunphy, Mendon, 33A motion to approve PDG Deb Grassi, Rochester, 33S 2nd; all in favor

<u>CST Joy Bartlett - 33N</u> - Most of the club dues have been received but has been in contact w/ dues still owed. 3 Cabinet & 3 Advisory meetings held; final meetings in June. Has struggled w/ COVID & focused on Membership & rebuilding the district. Hope to keep the communication & leadership skills going forward. District is proud of the Clara Barton project DG Brian Doherty, Woburn Host, 33N Motion to approve DG Cynthia Mainini, Milford, 33A 2nd; all in favor

<u>CS Lesley Macdonald - 33K</u> - COVID has challenged the district. There were 3 in person Advisory, 2 in person Cabinet, 2 Zoom Cabinet meetings have been held. The replacement virtual Mid-Winter was well attended & received by the clubs. The clubs have been creative by meeting by Zoom, in-person or hybrid allowing the district to continue beyond circumstances out of their control. Youth Speech, Peace Poster, Environmental Contents, Meat Raffles, Summer Carnivals, Pancake Breakfasts, delivery of Meals on Wheels, eyeglass collections have all continued. Each club has their signature event to allow continuance service. PDG Margaret has been helping with membership drives & updated tri-fold information. They have added 116 new members closing in on the goal of 120. GLT held ELLI this past March along with several training sessions. GST has worked w/ clubs to overall improve reporting - 91% reporting - 43 out of 47 clubs reporting.

PDG Margaret Menard, Randolph, 33K, motion to approve DG Margaret Needre, Randolph, 33K 2nd; all in favor

<u>CT Tom Heguy - 33K</u> - 1st half dues have all been paid; 2nd half dues have all been paid except 2 clubs. Cabinets & Advisories have been a combination of in person & Zoom. The 4th Cabinet Meeting & 4th Advisory will be in person. Mid-Winter was reluctantly changed to Zoom but was well attended. Only 2 clubs have not paid dues at this time but will hopefully be paid by the end of May. 74K to MLER, 11K to various district charities, 130K to local charities

Rose Theberge, Randolph, Motion to approve

PCC Joyce Hogan, Quincy, 2nd; all in favor

<u>CS Michael Middleton - 33S</u> - CS & CT have been traveling w/ the DG during his visits. They have Visited all but 6 clubs but have been scheduled; 1st physical meeting was held in March - prior meetings were hybrid. The 4th cabinet & Advisory meetings will be in the hybrid format as well. District Mid-Winter was switched to fully online only 7 days in advance. Many service projects have continued culminating in Lions Day of Service on May 15 in multiple locations at the same time.

Bob Coluci, Hanover, 33S, motion to approve DG Martin Middleton, Bridgewater Community, 33S, 2nd; all in favor

<u>CT Nathan Garren - 33S</u> - Has attended 7 club visitations this year. 3 clubs have outstanding dues for the 1st half of the year & 8 clubs for the 2nd half dues. 100K in donations received at Mid-Winter - 70K alone to MLERF. District activities at 11,500. Administration budget has remained in a surplus. CT will work to help w/ the transition next year - report attached PID Joyce Middleton, Bridgewater Community, 33S, motion to approve Bob Coluci, Hanover, 33S, 2nd; all in favor

Council Reports

<u>PDG John Walsh, Council Secretary</u> - 33Y - Has attended and kept accurate records of all meetings & forwarded w/in 1 week to the council & LCI a short time later. Have received & recorded all district dues & forwarded to Deb Grassi. Has assisted Bill & Debra as needed PDG Deb Wayne, Malden, 33K, Motion to approve Jennifer Menelly, Quincy, 33K, 2nd; all in favor

<u>PDG Debra Grassi, Council Treasurer</u> - 33S - Has attended all but 1 council meeting, all 3 virtual Mid-Winters & 1 in-person Mid-Winter, active in Rochester Lions; checking accounts maintained at TD Bank w/ co-signers CC Bill Donnellan, VCC Cynthia Mainini & PDG Jim Roth. All funds have been deposited & all debts paid w/ approval of the Council. All checks received from CS & CST/CT's have been deposited. Accounts have been balanced as of the last bank statement in March, 2022. Looking forward to serving as CC in 2022-2023; Report attached w/ the balances of each bank account Bob Coluci, Hanover, 33S, motion to approve Diana Faust, Medway, 33K, 2nd; all in favor

Preliminary Registration Report and Credentials Committee

<u>CS Sue Ash - 33A</u> - 298 pre-registered w/ 1 walk-in; complete numbers at the business meeting tomorrow

Rose Theberge, Randolph, 33K Motion to approve DG Cynthia Mainini, Mendon, 33A 2nd, all in favor

Remarks

<u>PID Joyce Middleton - MD33</u> - Thanks to All State Band Committee for consideration to postpone until next year. Congratulations to our large CS/CT/CST for meeting the challenge for the mixture of meetings. Excited to see our clubs wake up again & are looking forward to celebrating the weekend.

<u>PID Mark Lyon - MD23</u> - last here in February 2020 w/ 33K. Has met so many over the years through the NELC then as Director talking about new things - what are you up to - how have you met these challenges head on? Need to make sure we're serving our communities.

Announcements:

Environmental photos on the tables tomorrow to vote

Head table line up tonight @ 6:10

6:30 - Key & Life members & Melving Jones banquet / Flag Ceremony / Award Presentations

9:30 - hospitality suites open

Motion to adjourn - Rose Theberge, Randolph, 33K; 2nd by CT Deb Grassi, Rochester, 33S; all in favor; 4:01P

Saturday, April 30, 2022

Call to Order: CC William Donnellan - 33K 8:35A

5 Point Opening Introductions

District Governors Report

<u>DG Beverly Prentice - 33Y</u> - While not an easier year, it does keep getting better. 880 members as of today - an increase this year. There is still money in the budget w/ people standing up to come forward for future leaders. While we fail, we learn & we grow. Even non-Lions in the communities work w/ us on our projects & goals. 1 new Leos club has been added - looking forward to their youth & way of thinking going forward. Project Lioness takes in handmade blankets & delivers to those who need them. Members were asked to just make simple blocks. The blankets & quilts have been fully complete & are beautiful. Have lost some members who have passed & they will be missed & in our hearts. Report attached

DG Martin Middleton, Bridgewater Community, 33S - motion to approve DG Cynthia Mainini, Mendon, 2nd, all in favor

<u>DG Cynthia Mainini - 33A</u> - Have visited 37 of 45 Clubs, inducted 18 new members & installed new officers at the beginning of the year. Has been a challenging year this year but is working along w/ the members for the common goal to serve. Was able to have their Mid-Winter in person while all the others were Zoom. All types of service projects - car shows, golf tournaments, drive by meals & shred events. A grant is being applied for - Clear Path - a mobile cantine food trailer to help the 7 surrounding towns.

PCC Susan Dunphy, Mendon, 33A, motion to approve PDG Joan Baptiste, Amesbury, 33N 2nd; all in favor

<u>DG Brian Doherty - 33N</u> - Have lost a lot but persistence, new ideas & utilizing old ideas to get out of the negative & in the positive in the future. GAT is working w/ PDG Frank Bertolino utilizing training on how to use social media platforms & "Just Ask". GLT Joy Bartlett - Report attached PDG Deb Wayne, Malden, 33K motion to approve Rose Theberge, Randolph, 33K, 2nd; all in favor

<u>DG Margaret Needre - 33K</u> - 4th cabinet & Advisor will be in person. Mid-Winter had to be rescheduled to a 1 day Zoom meeting to a great success. Was well attended & had a game night the night before. Dr. Dianne Pitts from SC were our guests Friday night & Saturday. Has completed Environmental, Youth Speech & Peace Poster contests. Membership team has presentations for folders, information & ideas to bring in new members - to date, 116 new members, 4 away from the goal of 120. New pin has been created for those bringing in new members to our clubs. Service projects include food banks, making quilts, hats & gloves, senior dinners & Veterans projects. Have

donated 263K to date. Polar Plunge took place last week. Trainings include sessions for club officers, emerging leaders, zone chairs, presidents & secretaries. District service projects include food school supplies, PJ's for kis in foster care, etc. 91.4% of clubs are reporting. We've continued Zoom & hybrid meetings for visitations. Fundraisers include Christmas tree sales, pasta dinners, golf tournaments, meat raffles, dinners, breakfasts, holiday food baskets. We even participated in the St Patrick's Day parade again. Many strong Llons have stepped up this year. Report attached PDG Charlie Menard, Randolph, 33K, motion to approve Jennifer Mennelly, Quincy, 33K 2nd; all in favor

<u>DG Martin MIddleton - 33S</u> - Have utilized new methods of interaction. Strong participation at ELLI & RLLI. Officer training scheduled for June 6. Have the youngest CS & CT in the state - both under the age of 30. 1st candidate for 2nd VDG in their 20's. Membership has been the greatest challenge. LCIF has received a PR grant - went from -22 at the end of the 1st quarter to -1 by the end of the 2nd quarter, however an issue with a new club has them down to -52. Will continue to execute their plan to compensate for most of the membership. Many Lions are Kid Sight Certified screeners. Upcoming Lions Day of Service on May 14 with a number of projects going on at the same time in different clubs. 69% of clubs have donated at least \$100 to LCIF. Just over 46K donated to LCIF this year with 2 months to go.

CST Michael Middleton, Bridgewater Community, 33S motion to approve Bev Dillon, Bridgewater, 33S, 2nd; all in favor

Committee Reports:

Youth Speech, 1st VDG Bob Coluci - 33S - Committee has met multiple times this year via Zoom & has been a great success. All competitions were held in person. All assessments have been sent to each District & payments made to the Council Treasurer. This year's topic is "Why is accountability important?" \$1,500 for 1st place, each of the other finalists will receive \$500 along with a medal & certificate. Participation is waning - please reach out to the clubs to work in the communities to get involved with the program. Non-Lion judges are always needed. Districts Y, N & S will need positions filled going forward. Website is a great tool & is worked to be kept up to date w/ rules, regulations, forms & contacts

DG Martin Middleton, Bridgewater Community, 33S motion to approve PDG Kathy Salem, Abington, 33S 2nd; all in favor

2022 State Convention PDG Andy Porter - 33K - On February 23, we had 40 people registered. 6 weeks later it was well over 300. Our sales tables were free & cost of meals were underwritten by 20%. The contract was negotiated 3 years ago. With the help of the SeaCrest & the Council we could make this happen. It would have been \$650 for the weekend. Thursday night was added & was a huge success. We missed the All State Band & will look forward to them next year. Final numbers available at this weekend's Council meeting & next one in June. 298 pre-registrations; 7 walk-ins this morning. 167 people at dinner last night; 258 at dinner tonight.

DG Brian Doherty, Woburn Host, 33N, motion to approve 1VDG Tony Pecci, Haverhill, 33N 2nd; all in favor

2023 State Convention PDG Ray Hebert - 33S - 2020 state convention was going to be at the Mansfield Holiday Inn - \$5K deposit given to the hotel as a deposit. The hotel has agreed to transfer to the 2023 convention where next year's convention will be held. The convention will be shortened to 2 days -April 29 & 30 due to the International convention coming up a few weeks later in Boston. Hotel is now called EnVision & the same staff is there.

PDG Kathy Salem, Abington, 33S, motion to approve PDG Jeanette McIntosh, Athol, 33A 2nd; all in favor

2024 State Convention PDG Stephan Karch - 33Y - does not have a definitive venue picked as no one will commit to food costs. The cost of the rooms & current food prices at EnVisions in Mansfield (formerly the Holiday Inn) comes to a bit over \$500. The SeaCrest prior to negotiations is astronomical. The venues narrowed down are either the SeaCrest or EnVisions. Perks received in the past will no longer be able to be offers such as comps & hospitality rooms. Approximately \$500 for a 2 night double package before registration fees. Food costs cannot be determined for 2024 at this time; report attached. The date picked for 2024 at EnVisions was sold to someone else & we have to take into account Mother's Day, Easter, Orthodox Easter, Passover & International Convention. We still have to revisit some venues. There is not a need to vote on a venue at this time as we do not have one. PCC Jean Wilder, Deerfield, 33Y, motion to approve

1VDG Dennis Fountain, Ludlow, 33Y, 2nd; all in favor

International Convention, PDG Bev Dillon - 33S - Montreal, Canada June 24-28. International pins have been distributed to each pair of members for their districts. Delta Hotels by Marriot is the MA Host hotel - reception Sunday, June 26 from 6-8P; Matthew & Anthony are in charge of invitations. The MA Delegation will be a part of the parade - white shoes, white pants, burgundy MD t-shirts & tri-cornered black hats. 43 Lions & guests registered to date, not including the DGE's & their guests. State pains & lottery board tickets will be available for purchase today at the sales tables. Much of the business has been done by Zoom or email where members live in various parts of the state PDG Deb Grassi, Rochester, 33S, motion to approve

IPDG Sandy Fife, Dennis-Harwich, 33S, 2nd; all in favor

LCICON 2023 Boston Int Conv, PID Joyce Middleton - 33S - 1 liaison from each district. Our largest concern & bulk of focus is on financing at this time. Funds raised are for water for each participant in the parade, hosting of the International Directors of Dinner, police details, convention attendee gifts, signage, shirts for volunteers attending. Each club has been requested a 3 year donation for this undertaking. 8 clubs from Y, 15 A & N, 9 K, 18 S - 65 clubs out of 214 have committed to help financially & we need help. We're heading into the last year on this. We expect an enormous turnout after canceled, postponed & changed events in the past few years. You will continue to hear about the needs from DG's & district lions. www.lcicon2023boston.com shirts available for purchase; information session - open mic forum this afternoon PDG Deb Wayne, Malden, 33K, motion to accept Lion Noreen Begley, Cambridge, 33K 2nd; all in favor

Global Leadership, PDG John Babb - 33S - GLT team has delivered high quality trainings; virtual & hybrid trainings will be going forward but does take away from the interpersonal interactions from in person. No plan for an FDI this year, however, PDG Dawn Rice-Norton from 33K completed training in Minnesota in Mid-April; LCIP - Kathy Salem 33S took the training in September; ALLI had no participants from MD33; ELLI was held in March in a hybrid format - 15 participants from MD33, D42 in RI & D45 in VT; RLLI was held in April by hybrid - 6 participants from MD33 & 2 from D45 in VT; DG, VDG & CST trainings are upcoming - invitations have been sent & have participants from all over New England. Please work w/ GLT's & advocate for your Lions to register & attend training PDG Margaret Menard, Randolph, 33K motion to approve PDG Doreen Martel, Holliston, 33K 2nd; all in favor

GMT Chairperson, PDG Andy Porter - 33K - We're down 32 at the end of April - have been in negative 3 digits for 2 or 3 years. Not everyone meets, Zooms, wi-fi issues - that's all over. We need to invite the people back and ask non-Lions to come & help serve at these events to get them involved & engaged. Y is positive 24, A is positive 6, K is negative 5 - we will get there. Dues are paid in July & January - why are people dropping people in February & March? We've convince 17 to stay. Continue to focus on membership & serving w/ enthusiasm. Be flexible Lion Diana Faust, Medway, 33K motion to approve PDG Doreen Martel, Holliston, 33K 2nd; all in favor

GST Chairperson, PDG Dawn Rice-Norton - 33K - all terms for the team expire in 2022. One of the goals was to develop & implement as least 1 MD wide service project w/in 1 of the 5 service focus areas. Vision: Kid Sight & would like to continue with this. Limited Dementia Friends Training / informational session today @ 12:30 to 1:15. Diabetes: have submitted for a significant LCIF grant to create a teaching kitchen & resource center at Barton Center. Will be a 2 year process to open the buildings, build out, etc. East district found a way to find a way to have a service project at each Mid-Winter, even when held virtually. Lions have innovated, adapted, renewed, created & re-created these past 2 years. Our reporting is up - 4 districts are at 43% - the goal is 50%. You have fed the hungry, cleaned & cared for the environment, cheered on special olympians, fed & celebrated first responders, repurposed glasses, kept warm those who have no place to go, made braille literacy possible, blanketed those in uniform, honored our veterans, provided screenings & glasses for kids struggling to learn. Report attached

Lion Mike Camporelli, Framingham, 33K motion to approve Rosemary Theberge, Randolph, 33K 2nd; all in favor Lions Organ Donor Awareness CST Joy Bartlett - 33N - Have been able to interact w/ the public again. During the past 2 years, new pins have been designed - one for Lions to support the mission & 1 for hte general public. Any registered donor that would like to acquire a pin will be able to obtain one today. Have been visiting clubs who are meeting & have been representing Lions through Lions events & New England Donor Bank. Committee has been increased to 4 memers. Still need representatives from Y as well as help in S & A. Over 120K on the transplant list - it is important to have lifesaving options. Consider having them for any public even you have jave Barbara Johnson, Woburn Middlesex, 33N motion to approve 1VDG Tony Pecci, Haverhill, 33N, 2nd; all in favor

M.L.E.R.F, President PDG Matthew Richardson - 33K - Lions Polar Plunge & Bridgewater Lions still collecting for events going towards MLER. Make your personal commitment & wear your 70th anniversary pin & donate \$33 as we're MD33. Even if it less, that's okay - that's your personal commitment. \$330K fundraising this year - less than an average year, but the Lions have always stepped up during challenging times. The sky is the limit on what we can achieve. PCC Jean Wilder, NorthHampton 33Y motion to approve PCC Carl Munroe, Somerset, 33S 2nd; all in favor

Youth Exchange/Youth Camp, Katie Sirios - 33N - have had to cancel for the 3rd year in a row - pandemic, lack of interest, lack of host families, flights cost, camp activities being limited w/ short staff. Will be re-opening the program again next year - ages 16-20 PDG Matthew Richardson, Boston Host, 33K motion to approve Karen Gimanello, Quincy ,33K, 2nd; all in favor

International Pin Design, Jack Walsh - 33Y - The pins need to be of the qualify Lions will want to purchase & convention attendees will want to trade. They also provide income to the International Convention Committee to help support the expenses including the MA Cocktail Party. State pin sales are the largest percentage of total income for the International Convention Committee. The state pins for the 2023 Convention have been presented to the Council - both regular & prestige pins were approved - will be sent on to the International Convention Committee - Report submitted 1VDG Mariana Riemer Grafton, 33A, motion to approve PDG Dennis Fountain, 33Y, Ludlow 2nd, all in favor

MA Lions Low Vision Network - was made an official state project last year. Thank you to the district for the continuing support of the program. The committe meets monthly & has been very productive. A grant was given 3 or 4 years ago & struggled to get it going. The committee has worked to get it focused. The program focuses the effort on those who are legally blind or have sever low vision - help with appointments & the cost of tools for them to be able to live their lives as normally as possible to help with their quality of life. As of April 1, we have worked with 18 people out of our goal of 25. Want to complete assessments for needs, re-institute community outreach programs - have been able to

with the re-opening of Senior Centers and add 5 new practitioners to their list of service providers. All are being worked on & the grant is about to be fully spent out. Will need help from the district in midwinter donations going forward.

1VDG Mariana Riemer, Grafton, 33A, motion to approve PDG Bev Dillon, Brigewater, 33S, 2nd, all in favor

<u>Long Range Planning Greg Prentice - 33Y</u> - Look forward to the future to see what items are being raised to send forward to constitution & by-laws to consider. Nothing has been brought forward to consider. This is an opportunity to see how we can move things & how we can make this a better world for Lions.

Discussion: Ted Abbott Randolph 33K, Kathy Salem, - both wanted more information as to what long range planning is & do we have anything on the table going forward. Deb Grassi helped answer this. PDG Pam Hodgkins, Deerfield, 33Y, motion to approve PDG Dennis Fountain Ludlow, 33Y, 2nd; all in favor

<u>Constitution & By-Laws, PDG Greg Prentice - 33Y</u> - 8 housekeeping items - no vote is necessary from this body - they will automatically be added for the MD. These have been sent out to the clubs. There was a proposal to have a 501c3 for the state, however, not every club received this proposal at least 45 days in advance & the motion had to be removed. The issue was ruled out of order. Going forward, anything to do with this topic for the state will come from the Council Secretary so it is not put on the Districts & the information is not missed as it was this time

Discussion: Kathy Salem - the 501c3 has been 2 years in the making - can we consider a special meeting or vote so it does not have to wait a full other year?

PDG Dennis Fountain Ludlow, 33Y, 2nd; motion to approve Council Secretary Jack Walsh, Agawam, 33Y 2nd; all in favor

LCIF, PID Joyce Middleton - MD33 - 148,234 so far collected this year from all 5 districts. Overall 820,878 with only 2 month to go for Campaign 100's goal of 1,306,298. How many clubs are willing to be model clubs? 5K a year for 5 years - if not, that's okay - 100 per year for the next 5 years? There are so many issues needing help & concern - right now is the Ukrainian crisis. Over 664,125 with more being requested & awarded every day. Over 215K more has gone out to Europe in just the past 2 weeks - provides water, blankets, immediate medical care - can & do provide that. What can I do? That's what we can do - bring people's awareness to what LCIF does around the world. The Foundation has been more generous with us. We have an open matching grant of 100K for Joslin that is just about closed, open grants in the sub districts as well. We have requested a grant for Barton & Boston Med for updated equipment. We have received 2,959,209 back to MA from our Foundation doing good work here in our own state - more than we've donated. Consider a last minute donation to the end of May or June to bring the totals more in line with the expectation of LCI. Will have an online telethon in June from Lions around the globe - tells stories about the good work being done. \$100 is cataract

surgery for 2 people, clean water for 14 people, measles vaccines for 100 people, Lions Quest for an entire classroom for an entire year.

PDG John Babb, Somerset, 33S motion to approve DG Peg Needre, Randolph, 33K, 2nd; all in favor

Information Technology (IT) PDG Dennis Perrn - 33A - not in attendance; report will be sent

Web Master Dennis Perron - 33A - not in attendance; report will be sent

Report of Council of Governors

<u>CC William Donnellan - 33K</u> - monthly meetings have been held either virtual or in person. MD33 clubs are finding unique & creative ways to promote service & have service from the heart. The Lions of this District are the heart of this organization. Thank you to the DG's for having to continue to shine. Thank you to each council member as they went above & beyond to make the MD amazing. Privilege to serve as CC for this year. There's a couple months left to follow our motto "We Serve" and increase membership.

PDG Matthew Richardson, Boston Host, 33K motion to approve Lion Ted Abbott, Randolph, 33K 2nd; all in favor

Remarks:

<u>PID John Hoyle</u> - placed an order from Amazon for a chicken & an egg. He will let us know what comes first:)

<u>PID Mark Lyon - MD23</u> - MA Lions love each other, love the projects & need to bottle this energy. Thank you for the opportunity to hear the reports. You may learn about it & see it in publications, but others may not hear the success & troubles. Congratulations to the DG's & CC for the tremendous support. There is a lot of activity going on at headquarters with our executive team at headquarters so we can serve our communities even better. The most important thing is to improve the quality of our clubs & membership to take service at an all new level. How can we improve ourselves? We need to support our Zone Chairs as it is a stepping stone to leadership. 1VDG's trained by PID Tom Gordon & PID Thomas Kelly. Hopefully the incoming District leadership teams have been fully prepared for what is going ahead. Most of our marketing is towards Ukraine Refugee Relief - our communications package has been sent to 51 countries in Europe for people to know who Lions are & what we do. We're here to help. International Convention in Montreal - well over 10 or 11K registered - Visas are being approved. There will always be an element of virtual activity going forward for those unable to attend such as the business meeting. You do need to be there to vote for directors & officers. The US is the 3rd largest constitutional area now - we follow India as well as Asia including Japan - it's a close 3rd but we're no longer first. We need to continue to focus on our membership - without numbers we cannot serve those in need. Global Action Team has monthly check ins - what's working, what's not? Service activities going on in MA. Lions Day at the UN was done recently - they were not able to be in

the general assembly hall due to COVID & the issue with Ukraine. The International President from Brazil was able to attend for the 1st time in 3 years.

Announcements:

11:30 - 12:30	Pizza Lunch
11:30 - 12:15	Montreal International Convention
12:30 - 1:15	Dementia Friends Training
1:30 - 2:30	Pin Traders
1:30 - 3:00	Youth Speech
2:00 - 4:00	Registration & Delegate Registration
3:00 - 4:00	LCI Con Boston 2023 briefing & open discussion w/ Mark Lyon
5:30 - 6:15	DG Reception
6:30	DG Banquet
9:30	Hospitality Rooms Open

Jean Wilder 33Y Motion 11:34 Doreen Martel 33K