

**COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS MEETING**  
**Speedster Room**  
**Shipshewana Town Center, Shipshewana, IN**  
**Friday, May 17, 2013**

**CALL TO ORDER** – At exactly 10:00 a.m. the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) meeting of the Council of Governors was called to order by Council Chair, Don Brown. District Governors present were: Steve Horvath, 11 A1; Jim Pettinato, 11 A2; Dick Dettling, 11 B1; Norm Stutesman, 11 B2; Rock Wood, 11 C1; Karen Routson, 11 C2; Karen Ates, 11 D1; Dave Hacker, 11 D2; Bill Simpson, 11 E1; Lynne Jauss, 11 E2; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Jerry Stephens, SD 10. 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Evelyn Cooper, 11 A1; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG John Kontos, 11 A2; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Barry Allen, 11 B1; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Betsy Farrell, 11 B2; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG David Boes, 11 C1; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Doug Schneider, 11 C2; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Jake Dasho, 11 D1; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Was Wagester, 11 D2; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Tim Anderson, 11 E1, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Gus Malmberg, 11 E2; 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Diane Wehby, 11 C1; 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Dennis Poirier, 11 D1; 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Whitey Simon, 11 D2; 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Peter Conarty, 11 E1. Also present were: PCC Esther LaMothe; PDG Gary Babcock, PDG RG Barnum; PDG Bob Sturgis; VDGE Leo Dolehanty, 11 D1; Lion Jim Ates; Lion Barb Stutesman; CC-Elect Brian Shepard; PDG Dennis Lautzenheiser; Lions Jeff & Laura Hunt; Lion Mary Jones, International Director Stacey Jones; State Treasurer Paul Hemeryck; and Executive Director Wendy Burns.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by DG Karen Routson, followed by the invocation by DG Steve Horvath.

**MOTION:** Stutesman, Horvath, to approve the proposed agenda. Motion carried.

**MOTION:** Pettinato, Hacker, to approve the minutes of the March 2013 Council of Governor minutes. Motion carried.

**MOTION:** Dettling, Stutesman, to approved written reports as submitted. Motion carried.

Council Chair Don Brown welcomed everyone to the council meeting and introduced International Director, Stacey Jones, and Lion Mary Jones. ID Jones stated he was pleased to spend time with the Lions of Michigan in Indiana, and expressed how friendly everyone is. He brought greetings from LCI President, Wayne Madden, the directors and board members. ID Jones pointed out his observations of protocol, and that CC Don Brown is to be commended as well as the “impressive” group of District Governors.

**International Director Candidacy Update –PDG Gary Babcock**

The Council of Governors was given an overview on the journey which began six (6) years ago for PCC Esther LaMothe. Last year in Busan, Korea, as was expected, PCC Esther was asked to step down and return this year as a candidate in Hamburg, Germany. This was due to the fact that PID Gary Anderson, of Michigan, was an International Director and LCI does not typically approve back-to-back ID’s from the same state. This year started the journey again, and PCC Esther attended every district convention and was allowed time to address those assembled and tell her story. In the end, she had 100% of the support from MD 11 and Single District 10.

Currently, assistance is needed to help transport supplies, help at the convention center in Hamburg by handing out candy, imprinted literature, etc. DG Pettinato offered to ship PCC's extra luggage through the company he works for, with an estimated cost of \$100.00.

All Lions are encouraged to attend the Midwest Breakfast, where all the candidates for International Director will be given time to address the group.

**State Treasurer's Report- Paul Hemeryck, State Treasurer**

Financial statements were provided through April 30, 2013 for the Lions of Michigan account and the Lion Pride magazine. Treasurer Hemeryck will give a detailed accounting of the revenue, expenses and fund balances during Saturday's business.

MOTION: Hacker, Stutesman, to receive the financial report. Motion carried. One (1) opposed.

(Please see complete financial report continued on next page)

**Lions of Michigan, Inc.**  
**Statement of Revenue, Expenses and Fund Balances**  
**July 1, 2012 - April 30, 2013**

	Opening Balance July 1, 2012	Revenue		Expenses	Ending Balance Apr 30, 2013
		Dues	Other		
Administration	\$ 202,802.93	\$ 74,324.18	\$ 12,497.49	75,416.49	\$ 214,208.11
Council/Committee/Treas	30,994.65	11,819.60	304.00	10,772.14	32,346.11
International Convention	30,631.07	4,345.74	3,094.62	3,922.15	34,149.28
MD 11 Convention	14,684.69	2,269.36	8,513.91	4,885.52	20,582.44
White Cane	74,810.17		22,828.45	16,926.30	80,712.32
Pins	59,861.76		2,843.11	1,609.36	61,095.51
Restricted Fund- (10 & 11)	36,261.15	5,432.16	249.46	17,807.07	A 24,135.70
Restricted Fund- (MD-11)	27,706.21		0.00	0.00	27,706.21
Liaison	(1,070.07)		17,807.07	A 6,283.16	10,453.84
Youth Exchange	26,883.26		17,521.64	14,474.31	29,730.59
Grace Lange Fund	144,154.28		3,211.05	2,356.69	145,008.64
Hearing	2,210.30		0.00	0.00	2,210.30
Pr Grant	448.44		0.00	0.00	448.44
Diabetes	3,996.37		800.00	0.00	4,796.37
Leo Committee	7,980.00		0.00	0.00	7,980.00
Youth Outreach	760.13		0.00	0.00	760.13
Leadership Institute	40,012.00		27,105.00	25,287.20	41,829.80
Office Fund	38,736.90		61.80	3,600.00	35,198.70
Core 4 Grant	882.41		0.00	10.30	872.11
Michigan Forum	16,637.45		9,651.00	8,999.72	17,288.73
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 759,184.10</b>	<b>\$ 98,191.04</b>	<b>\$ 126,488.60</b>	<b>\$ 192,350.41</b>	<b>\$ 791,513.33</b>
Lions of MI- Publication	\$ 107,036.63	\$	\$ 44,226.34	\$ 43,868.27	\$ 107,394.70

Note: A - Net transfer to Liaison Committee for committee expenses.

**Lions of Michigan, Inc.**  
**Current Net Operating Assets**  
**April 30, 2013**

	Total	State Office	Council/Comm Treasurer	Int'l Conv Committee	MD 11 Convention
<b>CASH ASSETS</b>					
Cash in Bank	\$ 314,763.05	\$ 224,032.48	\$ 34,687.77	\$ 35,010.76	\$ 21,032.04
Accounts Receivable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dues Receivable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Prepaid Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Inventories	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$ 314,763.05</b>	<b>\$ 224,032.48</b>	<b>\$ 34,687.77</b>	<b>\$ 35,010.76</b>	<b>\$ 21,032.04</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Accounts Payable	2,040.04	2,040.04	0.00	0.00	0.00
Taxes Payable	1,507.02	1,507.02	0.00	0.00	0.00
Deferred Dues SD-10	583.10	470.96	0.00	112.14	0.00
Deferred Dues MD-11	17,796.68	14,256.08	2,341.66	749.34	449.60
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 21,926.84</b>	<b>\$ 18,274.10</b>	<b>\$ 2,341.66</b>	<b>\$ 861.48</b>	<b>\$ 449.60</b>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>	<b>\$ 292,836.21</b>	<b>\$ 205,758.38</b>	<b>\$ 32,346.11</b>	<b>\$ 34,149.28</b>	<b>\$ 20,582.44</b>

**Lions of Michigan, Inc.**  
**Statement of Revenue and Expenses**  
**July 1, 2012 - April 30, 2013**

	<u>Total</u>	<u>State Office</u>	<u>Council Committee Treasurer</u>	<u>Int'l Conv Committee</u>	<u>MD 11 Convention</u>
<b>INCOME:</b>					
Dues - SD-10	2,930.02	2,366.56		563.46	
Dues - MD-11	89,828.86	71,957.62	11,819.60	3,782.28	2,269.36
Sales	11,608.53			3,094.62	8,513.91
Miscellaneous	304.00		304.00		
Total Income	<u>104,671.41</u>	<u>74,324.18</u>	<u>12,123.60</u>	<u>7,440.36</u>	<u>10,783.27</u>
<b>COST OF GOODS:</b>					
Cost of Goods Sold	684.85			684.85	
Total Cost of Goods	<u>684.85</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>684.85</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<u>103,986.56</u>	<u>74,324.18</u>	<u>12,123.60</u>	<u>6,755.51</u>	<u>10,783.27</u>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>					
Labor/Payroll Tax	46,041.69	46,041.69			
Supplies & Maintenance	8,514.55	3,311.05	2,962.28	868.29	1,372.93
Rent	6,900.00	4,100.00	2,800.00		
Utilities	1,905.61	1,905.61			
Telephone	953.16	953.16			
Postage	2,870.15	2,120.85	197.26	5.51	546.53
Depreciation	1,600.00	1,600.00			
Insurance	10,899.75	10,899.75			
Public Service/PR	0.00				
Assn Dues & Fees	199.50	199.50			
Convention & Travel	7,897.84	1,248.12	1,507.54	2,363.70	2,778.48
Meetings	2,683.29		2,591.31		91.98
Bad Debts	0.00				
Symp./Workshops	0.00				
Courtesy Expenses	0.00				
GMT Program	121.90		121.90		
GLT Program	591.85		591.85		
Bonus	0.00				
Audit Fees	0.00				
Retention Program	2,000.00	2,000.00			
Miscellaneous	1,132.36	1,036.76			95.60
Total Expenses	<u>94,311.65</u>	<u>75,416.49</u>	<u>10,772.14</u>	<u>3,237.50</u>	<u>4,885.52</u>
<b>Excess Revenue Over Expenses</b>	<u>9,674.91</u>	<u>(1,092.31)</u>	<u>1,351.46</u>	<u>3,518.01</u>	<u>5,897.75</u>
<b>Other Income</b>					
Transfers	0.00				
Interest	12,497.49	12,497.49			
Capital Gain (Loss)	0.00				
Total Other Income	<u>12,497.49</u>	<u>12,497.49</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>EXCESS REVENUE OVER EXPENSE</b>	<u>22,172.40</u>	<u>11,405.18</u>	<u>1,351.46</u>	<u>3,518.01</u>	<u>5,897.75</u>

**Lions of Michigan, Inc.**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**April 30, 2013**

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Operating Funds</u>	<u>Designated Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Cash in Bank	\$ 575,038.97	\$ 314,763.05	\$ 155,854.44	104,421.48
Grace Lange Investment Fund	145,008.64	0.00	0.00	145,008.64
Accounts Receivable	8,784.92	0.00	8,784.92	0.00
Dues Receivable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Prepaid Expenses	1,653.00	0.00	0.00	1,653.00
Inventories	55,270.03	0.00	55,270.03	0.00
Total Current Assets	<u>785,755.56</u>	<u>314,763.05</u>	<u>219,909.39</u>	<u>251,083.12</u>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>				
Furniture and Fixtures	104,579.33	60,028.31	44,551.02	0.00
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(75,817.90)</u>	<u>(51,578.58)</u>	<u>(24,239.32)</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Net Fixed Assets	<u>28,761.43</u>	<u>8,449.73</u>	<u>20,311.70</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$ 814,516.99</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 323,212.78</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 240,221.09</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 251,083.12</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Accounts Payable	\$ 2,040.04	\$ 2,040.04	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Taxes Payable	1,507.02	1,507.02	0.00	0.00
Total Current Liabilities	<u>3,547.06</u>	<u>3,547.06</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Deferred Dues SD-10	723.26	583.10	0.00	140.16
Deferred Dues MD-11	18,733.34	17,796.68	0.00	936.66
Total Deferred Dues	<u>19,456.60</u>	<u>18,379.78</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,076.82</u>
<b>FUND EQUITIES</b>	<u>791,513.33</u>	<u>301,285.94</u>	<u>240,221.09</u>	<u>250,006.30</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITIES</b>	<b><u>\$ 814,516.99</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 323,212.78</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 240,221.09</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 251,083.12</u></b>

Operating Funds- State Office, Council and Committee, International Convention and MD-11 Convention

Designated Funds- Project accounts such as White Cane, Leos, Youth Exchange, etc.

Restricted Funds- Limited by constitution or donor requirements such as Grace Lange Fund, Liaison, Restricted Fund, Leadership Institute and Core 4 Grant

**Lions of Michigan Publications, Inc.**  
**Statement of Revenue and Expenses and changes in Fund Balances**  
**July 1, 2012 - April 30, 2013**

<b>REVENUE</b>		
Subscriptions	\$ 40,096.11	
Advertising	3,746.00	
Total Revenue	<u>43,842.11</u>	\$ 43,842.11
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Publication Costs	\$ 31,442.99	
Magazine Layout Labor	10,301.00	
Supplies	130.75	
Rent	600.00	
Telephone	0.00	
Postage & Freight	36.36	
Insurance	1,306.25	
Convention/Travel	0.00	
Meetings	0.00	
Association Dues & Fees	0.00	
Bad Debts	0.00	
Bonuses	0.00	
Audit Fees	0.00	
Miscellaneous	50.92	
	<u>43,868.27</u>	<u>43,868.27</u>
<b>Excess Revenue Over Expense</b>		<b>\$ (26.16)</b>
Other Income- Interest		<u>384.23</u>
<b>EXCESS REVENUE OVER EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$ <u>358.07</u></b>

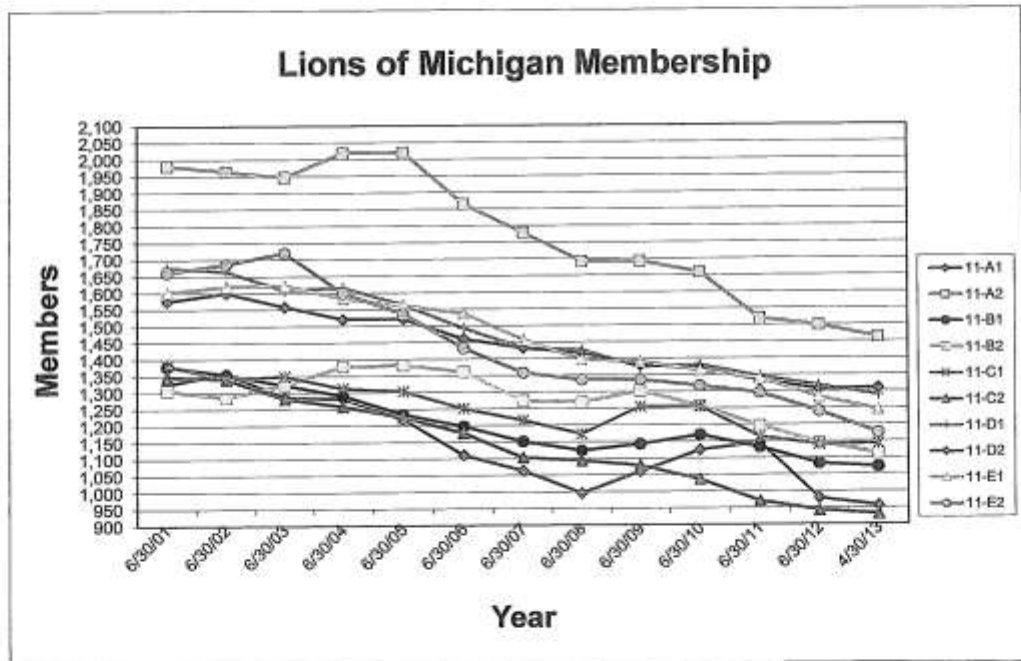
**Balance Sheet**  
**April 30, 2013**

<b>CASH ASSETS</b>		
Cash in Bank	\$ 118,385.29	
Accounts Receivable	0.00	
Subscriptions Receivable	0.00	
Prepaid Expenses	0.00	
Total Current Assets	<u>118,385.29</u>	\$ 118,385.29
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts Payable	\$ 277.20	
Deferred Advertising	0.00	
Deferred Subscriptions	10,713.39	
Total Liabilities	<u>10,990.59</u>	\$ <u>10,990.59</u>
<b>Net Operating Assets</b>		<b>\$ <u>107,394.70</u></b>

This is a separate 501(c)(4) corporation and therefore requires that we report their financial activities independently.

LIONS OF MICHIGAN (MD-11)  
MEMBERSHIP

DISTRICT	6/30/01	6/30/02	6/30/03	6/30/04	6/30/05	6/30/06	6/30/07	6/30/08	6/30/09	6/30/10	6/30/11	6/30/12	4/30/13
11-A1	1,326	1,358	1,286	1,282	1,220	1,112	1,064	996	1,061	1,125	1,146	979	957
11-A2	1,962	1,965	1,948	2,020	2,021	1,866	1,780	1,692	1,693	1,658	1,520	1,499	1,463
11-B1	1,379	1,355	1,323	1,291	1,234	1,198	1,152	1,124	1,143	1,170	1,132	1,083	1,073
11-B2	1,308	1,286	1,324	1,379	1,383	1,362	1,275	1,269	1,303	1,257	1,197	1,145	1,113
11-C1	1,382	1,343	1,350	1,313	1,304	1,252	1,216	1,174	1,255	1,255	1,184	1,140	1,143
11-C2	1,349	1,341	1,282	1,259	1,228	1,178	1,104	1,094	1,079	1,037	971	943	932
11-D1	1,677	1,665	1,609	1,616	1,564	1,493	1,433	1,426	1,374	1,381	1,345	1,317	1,289
11-D2	1,576	1,600	1,559	1,521	1,522	1,461	1,433	1,417	1,380	1,370	1,333	1,307	1,310
11-E1	1,603	1,620	1,623	1,583	1,563	1,537	1,458	1,397	1,391	1,363	1,339	1,282	1,245
11-E2	1,662	1,687	1,721	1,800	1,537	1,433	1,359	1,336	1,336	1,317	1,296	1,240	1,176
TOTAL	15,242	15,220	15,026	14,864	14,574	13,892	13,274	12,925	13,015	12,933	12,443	11,935	11,701



**Lions of Michigan, Inc.  
Dues Structure Allocation and Analysis**

<b>Actual Dues thru April 30, 2013</b>			
	<b>Income</b>	<b>Deferred</b>	<b>Total</b>
District 10	\$ 3,634.36	\$ 723.26	\$ 4,357.62
Multiple District 11	94,556.68	18,733.34	113,290.02
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 98,191.04</b>	<b>\$ 19,456.60</b>	<b>\$ 117,647.64</b>

<b>Projected Income from Dues 2013/2014</b>					
<b>From the Allocated Dues Structure</b>					
District 10	\$2.58	x	1,650	Members	\$ 4,257.00
Multiple District 11	\$10.00	x	11,600	Members	116,000.00
Less family dues rebate	\$5.00	x	1,000	Members	(5,000.00)
					<u>\$ 115,257.00</u>

<b>ALLOCATIONS</b>	<b>Anticipated Expenditures per Recommended Allocation</b>				
	<b>District 10</b>	<b>Multiple District 11</b>		<b>Total</b>	
Administration	\$1.68	\$ 2,772.00	\$7.61	\$ 88,276.00	\$ 91,048.00
Council/Committee/Treas	0.00	0.00	1.25	14,500.00	14,500.00
MD 11 Convention	0.00 *	0.00	0.24	2,784.00	2,784.00
Restricted Fund	0.50 *	825.00	0.50	5,800.00	6,625.00 **
International Convention	0.40	660.00	0.40	4,840.00	5,300.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>\$2.58</u>	<u>\$ 4,257.00</u>	<u>\$10.00</u>	<u>\$ 116,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 120,257.00</u>

\* Set by Constitution

\*\* Restricted Fund: To be placed in a separate account to be used for the purpose of promoting candidates for International Office, and to be controlled by the Council of Governors and the Liaison Committee.

<b>For Information Purposes</b>	
<b>Total Annual Dues Per Lion Member in Multiple District 11</b>	
MD-11 Dues	\$ 10.00
MD-11 Magazine	4.50
Lions Clubs International (Including magazine)	43.00
District dues (Minimum \$1.25)	1.25 ***
(Actual is between \$5.00 and \$10.00)	
	<u>\$ 58.75</u>

Plus individual Lions Club Dues

\*\*\* Based on minimum allowable by constitution for District and Multiple District dues of \$11.25 (\$10.00 for MD 11, and a minimum of \$1.25 for the District). However, most Districts in MD 11 have dues allocations in excess of \$1.25. Each club must add to the above figure the amount needed for their club administration.



**Lions of Michigan, Inc.**  
**Actual and Projected Statements of Revenue and Expenses**  
**For the Years Ended June 30,**

	2008		2009		2010		2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017	
	Actual	Projected	Actual	Projected	Actual	Projected	Actual	Projected	Actual	Projected	Actual	Projected	Actual	Projected	Actual	Projected	Actual	Projected	Actual	Projected
<b>State Office</b>																				
Dues	102,336	100,907	97,086	95,820	92,529	88,517	87,428	86,245	85,061	83,878										
Other Income	9,055	1,314	50																	
Total	111,391	102,221	97,136	95,820	92,529	88,517	87,428	86,245	85,061	83,878										
Expenses	110,586	118,190	111,763	106,415	118,855	113,050	115,650	117,250	118,350	119,150										
Operating Income (Loss)	805	(15,969)	(14,627)	(10,595)	(26,326)	(24,533)	(28,222)	(31,005)	(33,289)	(35,272)										
Interest Dividends	13,765	16,644	14,122	11,432	10,186	9,500	8,500	7,500	6,500	6,500										
Net Income (Loss)	14,570	675	(505)	837	(16,140)	(15,033)	(19,722)	(23,505)	(26,789)	(28,772)										
<b>Council, Committee &amp; Treasurer</b>																				
Dues	16,305	16,076	15,457	15,256	14,713	14,083	13,911	13,724	13,536	13,349										
Other Income	101		107		55															
Total	16,406	16,076	15,564	15,256	14,768	14,083	13,911	13,724	13,536	13,349										
Expenses	18,980	21,232	20,192	16,651	15,841	20,145	20,345	20,495	20,520	20,520										
Operating Income (Loss)	(2,584)	(5,156)	(4,628)	(1,395)	(1,073)	(6,062)	(6,434)	(6,771)	(6,984)	(7,171)										
Interest Dividends																				
Net Income (Loss)	(2,584)	(5,156)	(4,628)	(1,395)	(1,073)	(6,062)	(6,434)	(6,771)	(6,984)	(7,171)										
<b>Total</b>																				
Dues	118,641	116,983	112,543	111,076	107,242	102,600	101,339	99,969	98,597	97,227										
Other Income	9,156	1,314	157		55															
Total	127,797	118,297	112,700	111,076	107,297	102,600	101,339	99,969	98,597	97,227										
Expenses	129,576	139,422	131,955	123,066	134,696	133,195	135,995	137,745	138,870	139,670										
Operating Income (Loss)	(1,779)	(21,125)	(19,255)	(11,990)	(27,399)	(30,595)	(34,656)	(37,776)	(40,273)	(42,443)										
Interest Dividends	13,765	16,644	14,122	11,432	10,186	9,500	8,500	7,500	6,500	6,500										
Net Income (Loss)	11,986	(4,481)	(5,133)	(558)	(17,213)	(21,095)	(26,156)	(30,276)	(33,773)	(35,943)										
<b>Magazine</b>																				
Subscriptions	59,053	58,344	58,459	57,791	55,740	55,125	54,675	54,225	54,000	54,000										
Other Income	8,758	9,344	9,416	6,573	3,548	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500										
Total	67,811	67,688	67,875	64,364	59,288	61,625	61,175	60,725	60,500	60,500										
Expenses	66,087	67,899	67,429	52,060	43,225	53,250	54,450	55,700	56,700	57,700										
Operating Income (Loss)	1,724	(211)	446	12,304	16,063	8,375	6,725	5,025	3,800	2,800										
Interest Dividends	1,298	791	375	358	438	350	350	350	350	350										
Net Income (Loss)	3,022	580	821	12,662	16,501	8,725	7,075	5,375	4,150	3,150										

**Leadership Institute Report –State Treasurer, Paul Hemeryck, Co-Chair**

**PID Bill Hansen, Co-Chair**, is completing the required LCI grant application for the 2013 Lions Leadership Institute, and will submit to LCI. The date for this years' Leadership Institute will be November 8-10, 2013, and will again be held at the MacMullan Center, Higgins Lake.

**MD 11 State Convention Report –PDG Bob Sturgis, Chair**

PDG Sturgis reported that we had 183 pre-registered Lions; 7 guests, 7 spouses. Thursday night we held a first-time event, which was a picnic located at the Lambright Cabin. The purpose of this event was to bring those together who were arriving at the convention early. Lions and guests were provided the opportunity to meet ID Stacey Jones in an intimate setting while visiting with fellow Lions. The turnout for this first-time event was larger than anticipated, with 105 in attendance.

Everything is in place for the start of the convention, which will begin this evening (Friday, May 17, 2013) with the Welcome Reception, dinner, Governor's Pie Auction and merchandise auction. Money raised from the auction will help off-set convention costs; money raised from the Governor's pie auction will be determined by the DG's.

The 2014 MD 11 Convention will be held May 16-17, 2014, in Battle Creek, MI at the McCamly Plaza Hotel. Hotel sales representatives will be on-hand throughout the convention to provide hotel registration information and local information for 2014.

PDG Sturgis has received proposals for consideration from 2 hotels for the 2015 MD 11 Convention: Kewadin Casino, Sault Ste. Marie, and Holiday Inn, Big Rapids. Council Chair Don Brown presented a proposal from the Doubletree Inn, Holland.

Discussion was held regarding the details of the proposals. DG Horvath supported the Doubletree in Holland, as did VDG Doug Schneider and DG Simpson. Room rate at the Doubletree is \$79.00.

**MOTION:** Simpson, Horvath, to host the 95<sup>th</sup> MD 11 State Convention in Holland, MI, at the Doubletree. Motion carried.

PDG Sturgis thanked the Council for their support and for allowing him to serve as State Chairman for this fine committee. DG Stutesman expressed appreciation to PDG for all his hard work and organization. CC Brown

expressed appreciation to PDG Sturgis and the committee for their excellent planning of this years' convention.

**LCI Convention Update – PDG Dennis Lautzenheiser, IC Chair**

Midwest Breakfast: DG Dick Dettling and DG Jim Pettinato reported that to date, there are 145 confirmed registrations for the breakfast. Cost per person will be \$32.00. The minimum number of guests required to keep this price is 170. Invitations were sent to: Arizona, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky.

Michigan Night: To date there are 57 paid registrations for dinner at the Blockbrau Brew Haus. Transportation is included from the hotel, and the cost for the evening is \$65.00 each.

PDG Lautzenheiser will assist PCC Esther LaMothe with a presentation on International travel tips and the LCI Convention during the MD 11 Convention on Saturday for those attending the convention in Germany. Past IC pins and flags will be provided to the DG's and VDG's participating in the parade.

**New Business:**

PDG RG Barnum, President, PDG Association

The PDG Association is again holding a breakfast and business session post-convention on Sunday, May 19 at the Amish Country Inn. All are invited to attend and breakfast begins at 8:00 am with the business meeting immediately following. PDG Barnum encouraged membership within the association. DG Pettinato asked if the PDG Association was still considering an associate membership for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG's. PDG Barnum stated it was still being considered, but no decision has been made at this time.

District Governor Appreciation Dinners have been scheduled and will be on the Lions of Michigan website. PID Gary Anderson has requested the dates and locations for the 2014 District Conventions as he works to confirm speakers.

CCE Shepard has offered to provide a training session for the 2013-2014 State Committee Chairs. There would be a need for a larger meeting space than the State office could provide, and CCE Shepard is looking into meeting space within the Lansing area. The tentative date is scheduled for June 22, 10:00 am-3:00 p.m., and will include lunch. The estimated budget would be \$2,200.00 to conduct the training.

DG Horvath asked where this money would come from, and Treasurer Hemeryck there is money available in the GLT account.

PCC Esther LaMothe stated that in the past when training was conducted, attendance was low. CCE Shepard said the group invited will also include committee members, creating a larger pool and hopefully a larger attendance.

**MOTION:** Ates, Routson, to approve expenses up to the amount of \$2,500.00 for training of the State Committee Chairs. Motion carried.

**Lions of Michigan State Office Proposal:** DG David Hacker would like to see a “facelift” given to the Lions of Michigan State Office grounds. This would include new landscape and the construction of a new sign. The 2012-2013 Council of Governors are willing to take this on a project, and DG Hacker has the resources with his construction business to oversee the project, and asked the council to approve up to \$2,000.00 in funding toward the project.

DG Jauss questioned what would be included in the project, and DG Hacker said the landscaping around the sign, flowers, etc. would be included.

State Treasurer Hemeryck cautioned the council to make the Lions of Michigan Foundation aware of the plan and get their input and approval, as they are the building owner.

**MOTION:** Wood, Horvath, approval of spending up to \$2,500.00 for new signage and landscaping updates to the Lions of Michigan State Office, based upon approval from the Lions of Michigan Foundation.

DG Bill Simpson *amended the motion* to approve spending up to \$3,000.00 for new signage and landscaping updates of the Lions of Michigan State Office, based upon approval from the Lions of Michigan Foundation. Motion carried.

**Final Review of 2012-2013 Council Goals:**

**DG Horvath 11 A1:** Increase of membership: Worked diligently to assist a struggling club. Will be meeting with 18 members of this club to work on membership prior to the June 1 deadline to assist in getting them back up to speed.

**DG Pettinato 11 A2:** The goal of 100 % club participation in all four (4) State Projects has been met.

**DG Dettling 11 B1:** Membership goal was to add a new member when a member dropped. The District is on track with this and has been working on a new Public Relations Campaign with a new PR Chairman. A Public Relations contest was created and is proving to be successful. The IT committee has created a new website, bringing the District into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

**DG Stutesman 11 B2:** Goal of maintaining membership +6. This equates to one new member in each Region/Zone. They also set a goal for three (3) Leo Clubs within the district.

**DG Wood 11 C1:** The district saw a very active year. All PDG's were involved and active; C1 promoted Club Excellence and will help to continue this push in the future. \$22,000.00 was made for the district on a car raffle. They will continue to support IPIP Madden's literacy program. The district is +1 in membership, and incoming 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Diane Wheby has brought in six (6) new members into a new club. The district website has also been updated.

DG Routson 11 C2: Being the smallest district, her theme of the Phoenix rising up from the ashes was used as an example of how clubs can become connected with their community. The smallest club in Vermontville began with nine (9) members and to date has 19 members. They also saw losses in the district and are currently down by 10. The website was updated with a new design; they held their annual Lions night at the Lugnut's ballgame and were successful with their eyeglass drive.

**DG Ates 11 D1:** 100% Club participation in the four (4) State Projects. The District is down 26 members, but still maintains a membership above 1,250. There has been work on upgrading the website, and they will be holding a fundraiser for Leader Dog soon.

**DG Hacker 11 D2:** The District is at +4 and hoping for a net growth of 15. The District-wide membership drive held in October was a success, and will become an annual event. They are holding a Fall Conference this year, and are focusing on two (2) new Leo clubs to add to the existing three (3). 11 D2 presented a new award this year, the Marion Makarewicz Award.

**DG Bill Simpson 11 E1:** Second largest District with 16 rural counties and the average age of a Lion is 65. DG Simpson challenged the clubs to grow, and the process will be a slow one. At the April report the District had 1,245 members, and hopes to be back up to 1,250 members by June 30. With the creation of the "Bounty on Membership" incentive, he is confident they will succeed. Project KidSight give the District growth and opportunity for Lions of the future as this beneficial program speaks directly to families and allows them to witness Lions in action first-hand.

**DG Lynne Jauss 11 E2:** 16 counties in the district which also is made up of older Lion members. Membership is down by 44 due to the dis-banning of one club which voluntarily turned in their charter. The district stands at 1,184. There is a new Leo club forming. The new Lions gained this year have enthusiasm and new ideas which will act as a “sparkplug” for current and older clubs. As a District Governor, the opportunity to share ideas with other DG.s has been very beneficial this year.

**DGE Jerry Stephens SD 10:** SD 10 remains the largest geographic District and is down approximately 20 members. Leadership, working to strengthen weaker clubs, training new leaders, adding co-chairs to work with committee chairs are all ways he will be working to improve upon the District. SD 10 has eliminated the hard copy of the magazine and has now been focusing on the creation of an online, electronic version for the membership. This will save the District money and still keep members informed. They have had nearly 100% club participation in all of the State Projects.

CC Don Brown congratulated the Governors on their professionalism throughout the year, and for all they have accomplished in their service to the Lions of Michigan. He commented on how pleased he was that no matter what, we always walked out the door as friends. The year went fast and was very productive, and CC Don is proud to have served this Council of Governors as Council Chair.

DGE David Boes addressed the council, thanking them for all they have taught the 2013-2014 Council of Governors this past year, especially how to remain professional and how to run a meeting.

DGE Jake Dasho thanked the council for their mentoring throughout the year, and commended them all for their fine work.

**Other Business:**

DG Horvath announced that District 11 A1 has organized a bus trip to LCI Headquarters in Oak Brook, Ill., to take place on June 21. Cost is \$50.00/person to attend and all are invited to join. Stops will be made to pick up riders when possible.

**MOTION:** Hacker, Horvath, to donate money raised from the DG Pie Auction be donated to Penrickton Center.

Discussion was held that due to the fact it was already pre-determined and agreed upon that money raised would be used to help off-set convention costs, motion was rescinded.

**MOTION:** Dettling, Stutesman, to adjourn the 5<sup>th</sup> and final Council of Governors meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.