



Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club

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Meeting Digest 5/5/21

The meeting was called to order by Lion President Bob Lawhon. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Lion Joe Farrah. The invocation was given by Lion Zenaida Lawhon. Introductions were handled by Lion Steve Martin. 7 of our Lions were in attendance: Lions Bob & Zenaida Lawhon, Lyle Workman, Joe Farrah, Steve Martin, Sharon Eberhardt, and George Salet.

During the Meeting

Discussed and mentioned were:

- The final report on the Youth & Community Raffle was emailed to all members. We're done until next year.
- Live meetings in the new Lions year; discussed was having the Business & Board Meeting via Zoom, and the general meeting live at the IASC.

District 4-C4 Convention

Brought up during correspondence was that we have not yet reported our delegates and alternates for the up coming District convention. Discussed was who the delegates and alternates will be, and how or when they could cast our votes. District officers will be up for election, as well as several changes to the District Constitution & By-Laws. Info seems to be in short supply, even on the District website. No conclusion was reached other than we may have missed the boat.

To refresh your memory, the convention will take place via Zoom this year from May 14-16. Pre-registration is required by Friday, May 14th at 8 PM to lions4service@gmail.com.



On May 1st, in a live contest, our speaker Jason Fong, from Lowell High School, duked it out with two other contestants, Askansksha Sinha sponsored by the Foster City Lions, and Amelia Harris sponsored by the Burlingame Lions. When the dust settled, Jason had not won, but Amelia Harris from the Burlingame Lions had won. She'll continue on to the Area 2 contest on Saturday, May 8th. Congratulations and thanks to Jason Fong for representing us so well. Hope he comes back next year.

View recordings of our Zoom meetings at:



**Geneva-Excelsior
Lions Youtube
Channel**



Student Speaker contestants Askansksha Sinha (Foster City Lions), Amelia Harris (Burlingame Lions), and Jason Fong (Geneva-Excelsior Lions) with two cabinet officers helping with the contest on Saturday, May 1st.



Student Speaker contestants posing with cabinet officers and chairman present at the District contest on Saturday, May 1st.

Before & After

Before the meeting chatter:

- A model train collection being sold.
- Beekeeping in San Francisco and how different honey from one flower is compared to the next.
- This Saturday's Secretary & Treasurer online training.
- Our Charter Members & Officers lists from International.

After the meeting blab and short subjects:

- Partnering with other Lions clubs, or not.
- How restaurants and business are surviving by expanding their service areas and products.
- Expanding the Youth & Community raffle to more clubs and organizations.
- How much tax is built into the cost of a gallon of gas?
- Mike Spediacci, Jr. has fallen off a ladder and now requires one of his kidneys to be removed.

Board Meeting

Covered during the meeting was:

- Minutes of the previous meeting; approved.
- Treasurer's report; approved.
- District Constitution and By-laws changes; see notes in this bulletin.
- Another donation to the Student Speakers Foundation; discussed, but not approved
- Funds available for year-end donations; report has been sent to all members.
- How things will shake out in the coming year; lengthy discussion on the Crab Feed for next year.
- New fundraisers and additional discussion of our Crab Feed.

San Francisco Council Meeting

SFCCLC: We hosted the April 28th meeting of the San Francisco Council. Five of our Lions were present: President Bob & Zenaida Lawhon, Sharon Eberhardt, Steve Martin, and Lyle Workman. Lion Bob handled the pledge, patriotic song, and called on Lion Zenaida Lawhon to deliver the invocation.

Control of the meeting was then returned to Lion Peter Lam. The business portion proceeded per their agenda from reports to remarks by District officers.

Then back to us for the entertainment which was made up of six multiple choice questions about San Francisco. In all, five gift cards were won by those in attendance. 'Till next Council meeting.

Installation of Officers

After a long absence, an official Installation has been planned for Saturday, July 17 at 12 noon. It will be held at the Basque Cultural Center in South San Francisco. Details and pricing are being firmed up and will be relayed when available. We will have to have at least 20 in attendance, so put this on your calendar and be sure to attend. Lion Mario Benavente will be the installing officer. More to follow.

District Constitution & By-law Changes

A full report on the changes can be downloaded. These changes effect the District documents, but will have very little effect on us. Here is a synopsis:

- **Amendment 1** rewrites Article 8, Section 4, and other clauses, to clarify form and function of the Budget and Finance Committee.
- **Amendment 2** updates Article 8, Section 10 to clarify the job of the District Governor to appoint a non-Lion accountant to file the District taxes.
- **Amendment 3** updates Article 6, Section 3a concerning delegates and alternates, the deadline for their registration, and procedures they are to follow.
- **Amendment 4** adds a paragraph to Article 8, Section 6 limiting the two

- coordinating councils to only raising funds for the Police, Firefighters, and Sheriffs awards dinners.
- **Amendment 5** makes minor changes to wording in Article 8, Section 6.
- **Amendment 6** on By-Laws adds a sentence to Article 1, Section 2 requiring the Nominations Committee to review and report applications within 7 days; it also sets the Cabinet meeting where the Nominations Committee will place the name of candidates, and sets times for speeches.
- **Amendment 7** on By-Laws adds info to Article 1, Section 5 to clarify the Election Committee.
- Changes are also made fo the District Policy Manual; download full report to review these.

Etcetera

Lion Emily Powell sent in an email about 2021 budget expenditures from the officers of the Balboa Alumni Association. With schools opening back up, she offered a brief explanation of where our possible donation to the Association would be used. If anyone would like to read the entire text of her letter, please let Lion Lyle Workman know.



Lion Zenaida Lawhon has been advised to have an eye operation to insert a stent into the side of the eye to help with tearing. She

was referred by her eye MD to a MD at the medical building on Van Ness where the operation will be done on May 14th. While in the building, Lion Bob Lawhon gave his Lions card to a few doctors and staff -- one office had a large box of glasses and he was told that they greatly appreciate the Lions Eye Foundation and their work.



Lion Joe Farrah was surprised to received his 55 year member chevron from Lions International. That is a good long while to contribute to the success of our Club. Congratulations Joe for all your help and service!

Birthdays & Anniversaries

5/28 Happy Birthday to Linnie Faina!

Coming Events

5/9 Happy Mothers Day!

May 14-16 District 4-C4 Virtual Convention via Zoom.

5/19 General GE Lions Meeting.

7/17 Installation of Officers.

A ton of events around the District are shown in the District 4-C4 Weekly Thread email, and linked under Posts on the District website. If you don't have an email address, get one. If you have a new one, let us know.

From the Inbox

If any Lion, or other person, wants to see the emails this info came from, email me and let



me know what you're interested in. They'll be available for a short time.

From District 4-C4 including:

- This year's District Convention will be virtual; more info to follow.

From International - the May Club Digest including:

- Join the LCIFCon 2021 Million Meal Challenge.
- Video: How LCIF Helped Rebuild a Kenyan School.
- Set Your Club Up for Success.

From Gudrun Yngvadottir, LCIF Chairperson including:

- Canadian Youth Prepare to Succeed in School and Life; story includes Lions Quest.
- Disaster Preparedness Grant Application & Criteria.
- LCIF Helps Community with High Diabetes Rates.

From Lions International including:

- You're invited to our first-ever virtual convention: LCIFCon2021.



From the far corners of the web:

- 5 Things You Should Do First Thing In The Morning To Be Happier All Day.
- Why Dead Trees Are 'the Hottest Commodity on the Planet'.
- How the Pentagon Started Taking U.F.O.s Seriously.



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