

# 19A Conference Committee Minutes

March 30, 2008

## Vancouver Chinatown Den, Vancouver, BC

Present: Conference Chair PDG Ray Moyle, Tiger Lam, Rita Ng, DG Henry Ng, Barb Govett, September Stokes, Marilyn Martin, Larry McLennan, Shirley Macdonald, Carol Simkin, Lawrence Tam, Ben Mah, Hebron Shyng, Syrus Lee, Ellie Chan, Jimmy Ho, Matthew Wong, Rita Fok, Randy Chan.

Regrets: Grace Hwo, Marco Radunz, Polly Voon, Glenn Cho

Meeting started at 2:10 p.m.

DG: DG Henry said he was very pleased the way all the committees have performed and thanked everyone. He also said he is sure this is going to be a great conference.

Report from Chairperson Ray: Welcome everyone and thanked everyone for attending and the great work.

Treasurer Hebron Shyng. Cheques were written and money turned in.

Vancouver Cathay Lions Host (Tiger) – Will ask Cathay New Century Lions to help with raffle ticket sales.

Contest and Awards Lion Barb Govett: There are 21 performances scheduled for contest and awards plus uniform delegation. All paper judging has been done (ie scrapbooks, brochures, business cards, bulletins etc.) She received a round of applause for all her work to date.

Displays Larry McLennan: reported that there are now 8 displays requests. Larry will arrive early on Friday to organize set up of tables.

Fun night PZC Syrus Lee – Syrus informed us that the Paul Latta group had cancelled. There will be a Filipino group that will entertain us as well as a belly dancer. There will be some entertainment, then some singing, some more entertainment, and more singing. There will be dancing later on to a one man band and after 40 minutes of dancing there will be some games ie hula dancing and prizes will be given for the best performance. Then there will be more dancing. Should be a great fun night. There will be snacks thanks to Randy Chan. Only thing Syrus requested was room for the groups to change in and PDG Ray will look into this. Syrus said all the entertainment etc and decorations comes to \$1185.

Leo Liason PP Glenn Cho – unable to attend the meeting but sent a report which said most everything the same as the last report but did say that there will be 90 Leos attending the conference.

Memorial service PDG Shirley Macdonald – The service will be for 15 Lions from the district who will be remembered.

Panels Marco: Unable to attend meeting but sent a report asking if cheques can be ready for the speakers on Saturday.

Protocol - PZC Tiger Lam: Has flags. PZC Tiger and PDG Carol will place name tags on head table as to where everyone will be sitting..

Public Relations PZC Grace Hwo. Unable to attend sent a request asking for an updated copy of the conference weekend program so she can post it on the website. IPZC September said she would forward one to her after the meeting.

Raffle VCC Polly Voon: Unable to attend but report sent stating 24 clubs out of 68 have participated through either donations of raffle prizes or cash. Disappointing that less than 50% of clubs responded. Total money collected is \$500.00. Will sell raffle tickets 3 for \$5, 8 to \$10, or an arms length for \$20. Vancouver Cathay Lions will be selling raffle tickets starting at 7 p.m. Friday. Two volunteers will be needed to sell raffle tickets Friday afternoon until the NC Lions arrive. There will be 6 NC Lions committed to selling tickets during Fun Night and Conference Ray Moyle has agreed that they do not need to purchase Fun Night tickets to get into the Ballroom to sell the tickets. There will be 13+ Cathay NC Lions available to sell tickets on Saturday through lunch. Because majority of the NC Lions will be participating in the Contest and Awards on Saturday afternoon, we shall need two or three Lions to cover for them to draw winning tickets, record the winning numbers and post the chart and distribute prizes on Saturday afternoon. Question 1: what time on Friday will Boardroom C be available for us to move the prizes and raffles supplies in? Question 2: who do we have to lock and unlock the room through the weekend? Question 3: to Vancouver Cathay Lions who will be available to sell tickets on Friday afternoon and coordinate the drawing and distribution of raffle prizes on Saturday afternoon and for ½ hour after the Saturday dinner for final chance to claim prizes? DG Henry brought in a raffle prize from Urban Fare worth \$100. Also the Opus Hotel has donated a \$400 gift certificate which includes a night stay at the hotel and a breakfast for two. A lunch coupon was received from Provance Restaurant. The committee decided that they would like to see the raffle prizes that have been donated so that those who are purchasing raffle tickets have an idea of what great gifts there are. PDG Ray will be in contact with the hotel for tables to display the gifts on Saturday only from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Was asked that if some of

the ticket sellers could sit at the table to protect the donations while on display. PZC Tiger will ask Cathay New Century Lions to do this.

Registration PDG Marilyn Martin: As of today 278 registered plus Leos. There are 98 registered for Fun Night, 52 registered for breakfast, 236 registered for lunch and 164 registered for the banquet. These numbers will change as more registrations are received. PDG Marilyn stated that usually every year the winner of the Peace Poster contest in the district is invited with their parents to attend the lunch. She questioned which club had the Peace Poster winner and PDG Carol thinks it is the Cambie Club and a request will go to the club asking if the winner and the parents will be attending. There will be special tables set up for the wheelchairs near each door. PDG Marilyn asked when parking will be available and it should be available all day. Not sure whether or not as in the past whether the hotel will cover up the parking meters or does everyone need to obtain a parking pass from the hotel. Marilyn asked for an updated list of the schedule for the weekend so she can add it to the information for the registration. Everything was finalized. Marilyn will email Ray regarding any food allergies or special requests on Tuesday after she receives her mail to Ray can let the hotel know. Barb asked for a list of 1<sup>st</sup> time attendees and Marilyn will give her that info. PDG Shirley asked for a free banquet ticket for the piper Lion Ian McCloy. Early registration winner if Tom Miyamoto and he will receive \$46.

Souvenir Program & Flyers IPZC September Stokes: As of present date \$725 still outstanding and invoices have been sent out. Have raised \$7075 in advertising costs. Great work and thanks to September for all her hard work putting the program together. Program should be ready from the printer on Monday, March 31.

Voting Credentials & Elections IPDG Rita Fok: There was discussion regarding the emails that have recently been sent out regarding when and what times credentials and voting would take place and the following arrangements were agreed to. Credentials will be open on Friday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and again Saturday morning from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and voting will take place in Boardroom C from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The nominations for the candidates will take place during opening session right after the speech for the City of Burnaby Representative Gary Begin.

VIP Gift baskets ZC Ellie: Gift baskets will be made up for and delivered to the rooms of DG Henry, ID Dana, PCC Gord Roberts, Father Ted, PDG Ray and DG Sid Roemer (visiting governor). Baskets will cost \$30 to put together. Boutonnieres will be purchased for DG Henry, PDG Ray, PIP Bill, PID Dur, and PCC Gord. Corsages for Rita Ng, ID Dana, PDG Ruth, Fay Moyle and CS Carol

This is the final meeting and a big thanks to everyone on the committee for a job well done.