

ROLE, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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## The Role of the Secretary - BLUF

> Administers the Club
> A voting member of the club board
> Coordinates, prepares, and preserves minutes of the Board
> Coordinates, prepares, and preserves minutes for meetings
> Participates in Zone Meetings to assist the club president (District Governor's Advisory Committee)
> Participates in District Meetings to assist the club president with communication

> Assist the club president with club elections and succession planning

## Authorities

The president is the chief executive officer of the club. The secretary is the right hand person.

The president's authority in the club is not absolute. The position's authority comes from the:

- Club as a whole
- Club's constitution and by-laws
- International Lions Clubs Constitution and By-
 Laws
- And the club board of directors


## Authorities

## Lions Club International Constitution and Bylaws

## District Constitution and Bylaws

Any club rule, procedure, by-law or constitutional provision that is contrary to the International Constitution and By-Laws (LA-1) is not valid.

Club Constitution and Bylaws

The Club Secretary helps keep the club on track

## Who is the Board of Directors?

The board of directors consists of the:
> Club President
> Vice Presidents (s)
> Secretary
> Treasurer
$>$ Directors
> Immediate Past President

> Lion Tamer
> Tail Twister
> Branch Coordinator
> Membership Director
> All Other Elected Directors

## Model Club Structure



## The Role of the Secretary - The Team

## > Club President

$>$ Vice Presidents (s)

Secretary

Treasurer

Directors
> Immediate Past President

>Main bookkeeper (Admin \& Project Accts); Invoices \& Reports Dues; Makes deposits \& records expenses; Prepares the budget
$>$ Provides additional oversight for items placed before the board (leverage these positions for GAT)
$>$ The President's advisor; May serve as a Director; Typically serves as the Membership Chairperson and/or LCIF Chairperson; Welcoming host for new members

## The Role of the President - The Team

$>$ Lion Tamer
> Tail Twister
> LCIF Coordinator
> Visitation Chairperson
> Youth Protection Officer
> LEO Advisor


$>$ Takes care of club property; sets up property for meeting; serves as the sergeant-at-arms .
$>$ Promotes fun and good fellowship at meetings; levies fines in good natured manner for violations of good order or protocol.
$>$ Communicates the mission and success of the LCIF; Coordinates donations and achievement of $100 \%$ Club status; Assists with Melvin Jones Fellowship awards.
$>$ Coordinates visits to other clubs; promotes fellowship within and external to the Zone, Region, and District.
$>$ Manages the certification, documentation, and maintenance of records of all Lions involved with LEOs.
>Provides guidance to the LEO sponsored club; Should enjoy working with youth and engaging is service centered on youth.


## The Role of the President - The Team

## Global Action Team



## The Role of the Secretary - The Team

> Lion Tamer
> Tail Twister
> Branch Club Liaison
> LEO Advisor
> Visitation Chairperson
Youth Protection Officer

>Takes care of club property; sets up property for meeting; serves as the sergeant-at-arms .
$>$ Promotes fun and good fellowship at meetings; levies fines in good natured manner for violations of good order or protocol.
$>$ Supports the activities of the branch club; serves as the voting member of the parent club board
>Provides guidance to the LEO sponsored club; Should enjoy working with youth and engaging is service centered on youth.
>Coordinates visits to other clubs; promotes fellowship within and external to the Zone, Region, and District.
$>$ Manages the certification, documentation, and maintenance of records of all Lions involved with LEOs.


## The Role of the Secretary - Club Officers

The president works with other club officers to ensure the club runs smoothly and tasks are accomplished. The club secretary helps to coordinate this.

## Collaborative Relationship

> President, VP's, Secretary, Treasurer work together
> Secretary / Treasurer
$\checkmark$ Discuss record keeping and expectations
$\checkmark$ Who takes the minutes, who is back up
$\checkmark$ Meets deadlines
$\checkmark$ Ensure Secretary files PU 101 on time
> Meet before the beginning of the year
$\checkmark$ Set Plan for the year - for service
$\checkmark \quad$ Compare to budget - determine fundraising
$\checkmark$ Anticipate expenses and income
$\checkmark$ Prioritize spending needs
$\checkmark \quad$ Monitor spending throughout the year
> Board Approval
> Funds not previously approved by the board, must be approved prior to expending
> Secretary must capture in the minutes
> Keep your club informed of budget status
> Request Officers to report out to the club throughout the year.

## Financial Accounts

> Administrative
$\checkmark$ Money collected from club member or other Lions
$\checkmark$ Can also be funds from a non-Lion promoted fundraising event (garage sale)
$\checkmark$ Can only be a Lions promoted event when specifically advertised as fundraising for the Administration of the club
$\checkmark \quad$ To be used to support the administrative needs of the club
> Project
$\checkmark$ Money collected from the community in the name of service
$\checkmark \quad$ Monies can only be used in service to the community
$\checkmark \quad$ Cannot be used for administrative purposes
$\checkmark$ Approximately $10 \%$ of a project's funds can be used for supplies

## The Role of the Secretary -Meetings

> Club Meeting
> Club Board Meeting
> Zone/Region Meeting
> District Meeting
> District Convention


## The Role of the Secretary - Club Meetings

> The club president presides at all meetings of the board of directors as well as the club.
> Prepares the Agenda
$\checkmark$ President provides content; Secretary prepares and communicates
$\checkmark$ Communicate with officers and committee chairs to gather items
$\checkmark$ Ensure it is accurate and includes all required items
> Documents the meeting
$\checkmark$ Takes notes of all items on the agenda
$\checkmark$ Captures any new business or tasks handed out at the meeting
$\checkmark$ Keeps track of open tasks for the club president
> Prepares \& publishes past club minutes for approval
$\checkmark$ Publishes meeting minutes within a couple of days from the club or board meeting
$\checkmark$ Captures the approval of the minutes at the next meeting
> Maintains the club's historical files

## Parliamentary Procedure

$\checkmark$ A body of rules followed by an assembly.
$\checkmark$ Call to order
$\checkmark$ Rules for motion approval
$\checkmark$ Recognition of speakers
$\checkmark$ Etc...

Robert's Rules of Order
Visit: http://www.robertsrules.com/


## The Role of the Secretary - Club Meetings

The club president presides at all meetings of the board of directors as well as the club.
The secretary publishes the agenda and captures the minutes.

The Club Meeting
The Agenda:
$\checkmark$ Call to order (Flag Salute / Song / Announcements)
$\checkmark$ Introduction of Guests
$\checkmark$ A Scheduled Program (guest speaker, entertainment)
$\checkmark$ Approval of Meeting Minutes
$\checkmark$ A review of Board Business (Membership status, Treasurers Report, Service Status, etc)
$\checkmark$ Upcoming projects
$\checkmark$ Old Business
$\checkmark$ New Business

The Board Meeting
The Agenda:
$\checkmark$ Call to order / Announcements
$\checkmark$ Approval of Minutes
$\checkmark$ Treasurers Report (review budget, intakes, outlies, and account status) (2 person confirmation of statements to books)
$\checkmark$ Membership Report
$\checkmark$ Service Report
$\checkmark$ Committee and Chairperson Updates
$\checkmark$ Old Business
$\checkmark$ New Business
$\checkmark$ Outstanding Items

## The Role of the Secretary - Communication

Communication is very important to success as a club president. The club secretary is a key enabler

## Secretary Duties

> Be open
$\checkmark$ Open communication with members and committees
$\checkmark \quad$ Be aware of activities and communicate deadlines, expectations, \& information
$\checkmark \quad$ Be aware of member's situations and enlist club members to assist if needed
> Be Proactive
$\checkmark$ Anticipate questions
$\checkmark \quad$ Ensure adequate time between requests and expectations for responses
> Keep members up to date on news, issues, etc...
$\checkmark$ Club newsletter - Timely
$\checkmark$ Answer emails, letters, voicemails, promptly
$\checkmark$ Creates an environment of openness
for this task.
Communicate, Communicate, Communicate


## The Role of the Secretary - Elections

The president plays a key role in club officer elections-so does the secretary.

## President / Secretary Duties

> Ensure offer elections comply with the constitution \& bylaws
$\checkmark \quad$ Ensure process is open
$\checkmark$ Meets deadlines
$\checkmark \quad$ Ensure Secretary files PU 101 on time
> Appoint a nominating committee
$\checkmark$ Submits names of candidates to members
$\checkmark$ Create Ballot
> Hold Elections
$\checkmark$ Announce election date the month prior
$\checkmark$ Send ballot via email to absent and at large members ( 24 hrs to return)
$\checkmark$ Creates an environment of openness
> Announce newly elected Club Leadership
$>$ Sign up incumbant secretary for District Training

## Timeline

$>$ March - Appoint Nominating Committee
> April - Hold Club Elections
> May 15 (NLT) - Submit PU-101 to LCI Headquarter (via MyLCI)


## The Role of the Secretary - The First 30 Days

## An effective year starts with planning ahead.

## Before Your Term / First 30 Days

$>$ Before your term begins
$\checkmark \quad$ Take the LCI Club Secretary Online Course
$\checkmark$ Review Secretary's eBook
$\checkmark$ Learn from your predecessor
$\checkmark$ Review your club roster; update all contact information
> Ensure you have MyLCI and MyLion Access
$>$ Review Award Requirements
$\checkmark$ Club Excellence Awards
$\checkmark$ Gov's Top Club Award
$\checkmark$ Steve Brody Award
$\checkmark$ 100\% Secretary Award
$\checkmark$ Visitation Award
$\checkmark$ Newsletter Award
$>$ Build your calendar and
Task list

## Establish the Club Calendar

> Assist the club president in preparing the club calendar
> Ensure monthly club \& board meeting dates are set; Review and update location/time on the club's home page
> Create an annual event calendar
> Check with the District for key events and deadlines
> Prepare for the quarterly District/Zone Meetings
> Make note of the DG visit to your club and prepare for it
> Make note of visits by other district leaders
$>$ Be ready to assist with meeting logistics
> Ensure your calendar lists District and MD-4 events
> LCI Calendar of Events is on line at https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/lions-events-calendar

## The Role of the Secretary - Recurring Tasks

## Monthly

$>$ Prepare for programs and meetings
$\checkmark$ Coordinate the calendar
$\checkmark$ Send out invitations
$\checkmark$ Prepare for club \& board meetings
$\checkmark$ Prepare reports and minutes
$\checkmark$ Advise on hosting protocols
$\checkmark$ Assist with new member orientation
> Maintain the clubs business records
$\checkmark \quad$ Retain agendas and minutes
$\checkmark$ Collect, distribute, \& retain committee reports
$\checkmark$ Retain financial records
$\checkmark$ Maintain documentation for taxing and registration bodies
$\checkmark \quad$ Maintain copies of contracts \& agreements
$\checkmark$ Obtain insurance certificates

## Monthly

> Manage Correspondence
$\checkmark \quad$ Prepare and distribute awards and correspondence to your members
$\checkmark \quad$ Create minutes and send out for approval
$\checkmark \quad$ Create and distribute the club newsletter
$\checkmark$ Use a sign-up sheet to capture guests and members attending events
$\checkmark$ Record members who volunteer for service projects
$\checkmark$ Send out reminders for upcoming meetings and events \& forward announcements
$\checkmark \quad$ Create a monthly birthday \& anniversary list
> Report Membership Changes Monthly
$\checkmark$ Enter in MyLCI
$\checkmark$ Report Service Activities Monthly
$\checkmark$ Enter in MyLion

## Assess your clubs' health every month!

Resource: Club Health Assessment

Membership gain/loss
Reporting history
Officer rotation
Membership reporting
Club status
Donations to LCIF
The club secretary is responsible for reporting.


## The Role of the Secretary - Recurring Tasks

## Quarterly

> Attend Zone Meetings
> Attend District Meetings
$\checkmark \quad$ Assist club president with the District Governors Advisory Committee requirements

## Semi-Annually

> Review and Update your Club Roster
$\checkmark$ Ensure treasurer pays the semi-annual invoice to LCI, MD4, and Distric 4-A2
$\checkmark$ See the New Membership Dues Billing Fees in the Club Secretary eBook.


## Annually

> Club Elections
$\checkmark$ Refer to Standard Club Constitution and Bylaws
$\checkmark$ Assist with conducting the election
> Report Incoming Officers by 15 MAY on MyLCI

## The Role of the Secretary - Year-End

## End of the Year

> Plan Charter and Installation Dinner
$\checkmark$ Individual recognition awards
$\checkmark$ Awards Committee
$\checkmark$ Review Secretary's eBook
$\checkmark$ Be aware of member's situations and enlist club members to assist if needed
> Identify Awards and purchase
$\checkmark$ Attendance Awards
$\checkmark$ Melvin Jones Fellowship
$\checkmark$ Henry J Ashlan Fellow
$\checkmark$ Lion of the Year
$\checkmark$ 100\% Secretary Award
> Transition new Club Leadership
$\checkmark$ Set Planning Meeting
$\checkmark$ Set Budget Meeting
$\checkmark$ Transitional Projects


## Year-End Checklist

> Complete Award Applications
$\checkmark \quad$ Club Excellence Awards
$\checkmark$ Gov's Top Club Award
$\checkmark$ Steve Brody Award
$\checkmark$ 100\% Secretary Award
$\checkmark$ 100\% Treasurers Award
$\checkmark$ Visitation Award
$\checkmark$ Newsletter Award
$>$ Prepare Documents \& Orient the Incoming Secretary
$>$ Review the Legalities \& Technicalities
$>$ Use of funds guidelines
> General Liability Insurance Program
> Lions Trademark Overview
> LCI \& LCIF Privacy Policy

## MyLCI/MyLION (Sales Force)

MyLCI/MyLion is the place for club officers to manage their clubs efficiently



## MyLCI / MyLion - Admin vs Service

| Club Administration | Service Reporting | Sales Force is replacing MyLCI \& MyLion this summer |  |  |
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| Welcome to the Lions Clubs International digital ecosystem! <br> Here you'll find a variety of helpful, easy-to-use applications designed to simplify and improve your service. |  |  |  |  |
|  | MyLion |  |  |  |
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## My LCl

## Dashboard Orientation

> 6 Panels for Reference
$\checkmark$ My Tasks - What you need to do
$\checkmark$ My Club - Club info
$\checkmark$ My Info - Your personal info
$\checkmark$ My Members - Membership Reporting
$\checkmark$ My Service Activities - Use MyLion
$\checkmark$ My Officers - Your District Officers


## My LCl - Membership Reporting

## Membership Reporting

$>$ Select More Membership on the home dashboard
> Edit your membership
$>$ Select reporting from the drop down menu


## MyLion - Service Reporting



Signature Activities


Select the activity type.


## Service Reporting

> Club service entered on the MyLion site only
$>$ Club Secretary, Club Admin, and Club Service Coordinator are the only ones who can enter a club service project
> Anyone can enter an individual service project for themselves
> You can add a future activity or past activity


Types of Activities

## MyLCI / MyLion

## Reference Videos

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## MyLCI

 <br> Orientation to MyLCl website (2012) <br> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v- <br> SQEj4wiel\&feature=youtu.be <br> Navigation Help <br> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VhegiWA 6HPA\&feature=youtu.be}

## MyLion

Meet the MyLion Mobile App (2017) -
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P6bkR1oKMzk
Reporting a past activity -
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kP3498MrHxE
Create a New Activity -
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=npuTGERBctE
How to use MyLion to Support your Service https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EF5QNxiXgEw

## Resources District Website: https://4a2lions.org/

A club president is not alone in the role.

## Lions Team

> Club Officers
> Zone and Region Chairpersons
> District Cabinet
> Lions Club International


## LCI Site

> www.lionsclubs.org
> LCI Contact Page -https://lionsclubs.org/en/footer/contact-us
> Lions Learning Center - https://Ici-learnonsite-app-prod.azurewebsites.net/
> LCI Resources Web Page - https://lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center
$\checkmark$ Club President \& Vice President e-Book
$\checkmark$ Awards Applications
$\checkmark$ Blueprint for a Stronger Club (The Big Picture)
$\checkmark$ Your Club Your Way (Great meetings)
$\checkmark \quad$ Club \& Community Needs Assessment
$\checkmark$ Club Quality Initiative (The annual plan)
$\checkmark \quad$ New Member Orientation Guide
$\checkmark$ Best Practices for Financial Transparency Guide
District Website: https://4a2lions.org/

## Wrap it up!!!



