



THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF  
**LIONS CLUBS**  
NSR Council Discussion Meeting

**MINUTES FROM THE NSR COUNCIL DISCUSSION MEETING  
19 JANUARY 2024 IN GARDEMOEN, NORWAY**

**1) Opening of the Meeting**

CC Board Chairperson Anne Kathrine Fossum, MD 104 Norway opened the meeting

**2) Election of chairperson and secretary and delegate voting**

Proposal: OC chairperson PCC Finn L. Bangsgaard MD101 Sweden  
OC secretary PCC John Jagd MD106 Denmark  
Delegate voting responsible PID Bent Jespersen MD 106 Denmark

**Decision:**

OC chairperson PCC Finn L. Bangsgaard MD 101 Sweden, was elected as chairperson and OC Secretary PCC John Jagd MD 106 Denmark, was elected as secretary. Furthermore, PID Bent Jespersen MD 106 Denmark was elected to count the delegate voting, when time comes on Saturday 20-1-2024.

The OC chairperson PCC Finn L. Bangsgaard informed about the timeframe for presentation and further information, as follows:

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| a) Reports              | 3 minutes |
| b) IR projects          | 5 minutes |
| c) Comments and replies | 2 minutes |

**3) Election of persons to verify the minutes**

Proposal: CC Anne Kathrine Fossum MD104 Norway and  
VCC Kåre Jensen MD106 Denmark

**Decision:**

CC Anne Kathrine Fossum MD104 Norway and VCC Kåre Jensen were elected to verify the minutes

**4) Determining the list of voters (a total of 51 votes) – according to total number of members 30-06-2023 in each country.**

- a. OC chairperson PCC Finn L. Bangsgaard informed that he hasn't received any information about how many actual delegates there are presented. However, this was verified afterwards to be 39 by following:



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Sweden	8 votes
Norway	10 votes
Denmark	7 votes
Finland	10 votes
Iceland	<u>4 voters</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>39 votes</b>

- b. According to NSR Constitution, voting on NSR Constitution and Finance shall be CC 5/0 voting when it comes to voting Saturday 20-1-2024 with regards to financial matters to vote for.
- c. By way of derogation from NSR Constitution, delegate voting shall be by 39 votes when it comes to voting Saturday 20-1-2024 with regards to any other matters to vote for.

**5. Notification other matters**  
No other matter

**6. Approval of the agenda**  
The agenda was approved

**7. Follow up matters from previous NSR meetings**  
Nothing to be followed-up.

**8. Financial Statement and Audit Report:**  
General secretary Petri Kaukianinen MD 107 Finland and Convention Coordinator PCC Björn Hägerstrand MD107 Finland presented the following reports:

- 8.1 Presentation of the NSR accounts 2022-2023
- 8.2 Audit report for the period January 1 to June 30, 2023
- 8.3 Financial report from Convention 2023 in Boston
- 8.4 Current financial status 2023-2024

The audit report was received without any comments or remarks from the auditors.

The financial report from Convention 2023 in Boston was affected by price increased compared to original budget.

**9. Presentation of 2024-2025 NSR Budget**

- 9.1 Coordinator Budget Convention in Melbourne 2024  
The budget was presented by NSR Convention Coordinator PCC Björg Bara Halldórsdóttir, MD109 Iceland.

The expected costs for convention in Melbourne are 30.629 euro



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compared to costs for convention in Boston at app. 28.000 euro.

**9.2 Total NSR Budget 2024-2025**

The total Budget was presented by NSR Treasurer CC Pia Rundberg,

There were a question regards the transportation costs of flag since there was a discrepancy between the budget and the coordinator budget. This will be corrected in the NSR Budget 2024-2025 before it comes to voting 20-1-2024. Furthermore, it was mentioned, that the number of people expected for the hospitality is 600 to 800 people.

**10. NSR Cooperation Projects and Working Groups**

**10.1** Final report on "Building a Pediatric Ward at Heri Village Hospital, Tanzania". The report was presented by PCC Søren Stensgaard MD106 Denmark and informed that everything in the project has been according to the initial plan. No questions asked for the report.

**10.2** Status report on "Creating Opportunities through Sustainable Agriculture by Lions Aid". The report was presented by Annette Penner MD 104 Norway. No questions asked for the report.

**10.3** Report on Orkester Norden. The reports for Orkester Norden include the report and the Nordic Youth Program. The two reports were presented by PID Tapani Rahko MD 107 Finland. MD 107. Finland will be host 2 years more. Hereafter Iceland will be host for 1 year.

**10.4 IR Committee report**

PCC Søren Steensgaard MD 106 Denmark informed about the report from the IR group regarding the process and the challenges they have been faced during the fall in 2023. More concrete PCC Søren Steensgaard MD 106 Denmark informed the IR group together with the coming CC-Group will work towards a suggestion for changing the by-laws with regards to funding.

There was a presentation for the two projects to be voted for Saturday 20-1-2024

**10.4a Water means Life project presented by MD 101 Sweden**

Project Water means life in Somalia is an IR-project proposal from MD 101 Sweden

The project was presented by GAT leader Lena Nyquist CA IV B. The budget for 1 drill hole is \$ 172.474, of which LCIF has granted



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a funding of \$ 86.237 (50% of the budget amount). There is a potential for up to 5 drill holes.

**10.4b Solar Cooker project presented by MD 107 Finland**

Project Solar Cooker and forestry project in Africa (Kenya) is an IR-project proposal from MD 107 Finland.

The project was presented by PID Tapani Rahko. The proposal is a proposal is a two folded project with a budget total of \$ 122.800. Solar Cooker design etc. will be delivered to the host organization while the project is launched. The tree planting and tree seedling care is organized locally by host Lions

**10.5 NSR Coordinator report from convention in Boston. This report was represented by PDG Björn Hägerstrand.**

The presentation included a reflection with regards to costs in Boston. The costs were very high and higher than anticipated. Furthermore, the reflection was with regards NSR delegate contact list (to be improved).

**11. Proposals to be voted on**

Please see the comments above.

**12. NSR Constitution and By-Laws**

None. At next NSR annual meeting there will probably be some changes to NSR Constitution and By-Laws mainly due to the IR projects funding.

**13. Presentation of Candidates**

None

**14. Miscellaneous**

**14.1 Presentation on Convention 2024 in Melbourn by NSR Coordinator PCC Björg Bara Halldórsdóttir**

**14.2 Any other items**  
None

**15. The Meeting adjourned until Saturday 20-01-2024 at 15:45**



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1 March 2024

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