

49A Lions Sight Committee

August 19, 2025, 6pm via Zoom

1. Call to Order.
2. Introductions.
3. Report from Lions Club International Legal.
4. Status of each club's participation (which clubs do sight projects).
5. Draft committee rules.

Who can be members – representative from 49A clubs with sight projects

What Committee officers – chair, secretary, funding director, number of board members?

Meeting dates, other rules

6. Select initial leadership to oversee the formal organization of the 49A Lions Sight Committee as a committee approved by the 49A District Cabinet.
7. Request official status from 49A District Cabinet.
8. 49A Lion Sight Committee Web Page.

Review and discussion of web page - <https://alaskalions49avision.org>
8. Other Items for Discussion.

UPDATE FROM CONVERSATION WITH LCI LEGAL (LION BRIAN POSHKA)

1. **Can a separate committee to address sight funding be set up independently from Foundation or the District?** No, the committee must be approved by the District Cabinet. It would be a line item on the District budget. The Foundation has no authority to set up a separate independent committee.
2. **Can the new committee solicit donations, funding?** Yes, but as a District project.
3. **Can the new committee issue checks and manage their own funds, set up their own checking accounts?** No, the funds will be controlled by the District Cabinet, checks issued with approval by the Cabinet by the District treasurer.
4. **Can an individual club set up a committee to handle the District sight program?** No, the committee members must be members of the club setting up the committee. Outside Lions would not have a vote in the committee business.
5. **Can the new committee offer donors a non-profit status for their donations?** Yes, under the District constitution and bylaws guidelines.
6. **Does the new committee need to be approved by LCIF?** No, it is just another line item in the District budget and retains the status of a non-profit.
7. The new committee's purpose is to collect donations for sight expense funding for individual clubs. **Can the new committee issue payments to the clubs?** No, the checks must be approved and by issued by the District Cabinet.