

CENTRAL ONTARIO DISTRICT



Past Governors Committee

Minutes of Meeting
July 8, 2012
Oakville, Ontario

Present: Anne Donkers, Chair
Alex Ansell
Bob Ives
Adrian Maes
Terry Twocock
Tom McNaught
Brenda McDonald
Mac McDonald
Brian Wick

1. General

The current District policies are on the CENON web site. Brian Wick advised that revisions to policies no longer have to be approved by Optimist International.

2. Essay

Terry Twocock raised questions regarding the lack of scholarships for the seconds and third place winners of the District Essay Contest. It was proposed that a scholarship of \$1,500 for second place and \$1,000 for third place be enacted for the Essay Contest winners. Currently it is up to the District to raise the additional funds if extra scholarships are to be provided.

Moved by: Alex Ansell

Seconded by: Bob Ives

That the Past Governors Committee recommend to the District Executive that the District request the Canadian Children's Optimist Foundation to consider the addition of \$1,500 for the second place finisher and \$1,000 for the third place finisher of the District Essay Contests.

Carried

Discussion then took place about the additional scholarships for the 2012-2013 administrative year. It was suggested that an amount of \$1,000 be included.

Moved by: Bob Ives

Seconded by: Brenda McDonald

That the Past Governors Committee recommend to the Finance Committee that \$1,000 be included in the 2012-2013 budget for additional scholarships for the Essay Contest and that this be reviewed annually.

Carried

3. Oratorical - CCDHH

Discussion was held on how the funds are raised for the extra scholarships for the CCDHH. It was indicated that Clubs sent money into the Foundation and indicate what it is to be used for.

The Committee was advised the enrollment in the deaf schools was decreasing and the Drummond Report included a recommendation to amalgamate the three current schools. Questions were asked about the possibility of holding both the speaking and signing contests at a single school. Questions were also raised on whether there will be one or two contests in the years to come.

Some Clubs are not submitting as much money as in previous years. Many district have also dropped the CCDHH contests. Perhaps this will also occur in CENON. There are no recommendations at this time. It was felt the program will evolve in accordance with the need.

4. **Dues Structure for College Members**

It is recommended in OI Leaders that District Dues for college members be \$0. Most regular Clubs do not record members as college members. It is a decision by the Club as to how they charge for membership. The District Secretary/Treasurer needs to look at the roster of each Club to see who has college members and bill accordingly. Policies are to left as is and the District Secretary/Treasurer is to be advised.

5. **Other**

All references to OIFC or OIF should be changed to CCOF.

A Past Governors list is to be prepared and forwarded to all Past Governors.

Minutes taken by:
Alex S. Ansell
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