



**Central Ontario District
Optimist International
Sunday August 16, 2015
District Board and General Assembly Meeting**



CENON 31st Annual District Convention Board of Directors Meeting and General Assembly minutes held Sunday, August 16th, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Burlington Room at the Holiday Inn & Convention Centre, Burlington, ON

Head Table: Governor Sandra Stokes, O.I. Rep Marc Katz, Canadian Service Centre Rep Jacques Pelland, Secretary/Treasurer PG Gord Holly, Governor Elect Steve Gardonyi, Immediate PG Ted Simmonds, PG Jim Lyng

Attendance: as per attached listing

The meeting was called to order by Governor Sandra followed by the invocation delivered by Governor Elect Steve. Governor Sandra welcomed everyone, provided introductions, and thanked everyone for their participation for the weekend.

A Memorial Service was conducted by Sargent at Arms Floyd Smelser, an LT. Canon Robert Brownlie to acknowledge and remember those members who passed away this year.

Governor Sandra called for the Approval of Agenda. Moved: Jennifer Krizel, Second: Terry Twocock, Carried as presented.

Governor Sandra called for the Approval of the previous Board of Directors Meeting Minutes and those of the 2014 General Assembly. Moved: Robert Brownlie, Second: Brian Wick. Carried as presented.

Finance Chair PG Jim Lyng presented the Q3 Financial Report and asked for a motion to accept as presented. Moved: Barb Holly, Second: Sue Montgomery. Carried

PG Ted Simmonds presented the Policy Recommendations of the Past Governors committee. It included an updated Strategic Plan.

- Motion to include the Strategic Plan as an appendix to the District Policies was moved by Annette Cowan, and seconded by Terry Twocock. Carried
- The prescribed changes to Article 6, Statement 1, dealing with donations be adopted. Moved: Sue Montgomery, Second: Sue Brown, Carried.
- A recommendation was made with regard to the property of the Governor and the removal of such be halted as these are official tools of the office.

A motion was made to recess from the Board meeting so that the business of the General Assembly could be conducted. Moved: Barbara Holly, Second; Jennifer Krizel. Carried



Candidates Qualifications: Immediate PG Ted Simmonds announced the following Lt.s are confirmed at this time:

Zone 1- Susan Brown, Zone 2 - Robert Brownlie, Zone 3 - Karen Manuel , Zone 4 - Barb Holly, Zone 5 -Jennifer Krizel, Zone 6 - Norm Paget, Zone 7 – Sandra Stokes, Zone 8 – Karen Santacona, Zone 9 – Brian Wick, Zone 10 – Rob Benton.

The Election of the Governor Elect.

Immediate PG Ted Simmonds announced that we had confirmed the nomination of Optimist Mac Rumble from The OC of Newmarket and had all the supporting paperwork in place. After three calls for nominations from the floor without response nominations were declared closed, and Mc Rumble was declared Governor Elect for 2015- 2016.

Optimist PG Ted Simmonds announced the winner of the Mac McDonald award was the Optimist Club of Milton.

Governor Designate Steve introduced the 2015 2016 Executive team. Installations were done by IO representative Marc Katz and Jacques Pelland pinned each of those present. Marc Katz also presided over the installations of the JOOI Executive. The introduction of the 2015 2016 Committee chairs was also provided by Gov. Designate Steve at this time.

Governor Designate Steve addressed the team on the Who, Why, What, and Where.

Who – All of us, Everyone is included

Why- For the Kids

What – Moving Forward Together

When – Right Here, Right Now.

Steve's message was clear, it begins today and continues on, not divided by dates, or years. He challenged everyone to join him on this mission, Right Here, Right Now!

The meeting returned to the Board of Directors meeting at this point

Tom and Carilyn McNaught, Canadian Children's Optimist Foundation Chairs presented pins and awards including a new President's award recipient. Jeff Miller was the winner of the 50 / 50 Draw.

Janet Lewis reported on behalf of PG Dennis Kwasnicki that once again we had a successful Jr. Golf Tournament with 38 participants. Seven golfers qualified to go on to compete in both The Canadian National Championship tournament in London Ontario and the International Competition in Florida. The district sponsored one individual to the tournament in Florida. Next year's Tournament is booked for Saturday June 18th, 2016 at the Caledon Golf and Country Club. The Optimist International Junior Golf Championship was held at the PGA National Resort and Spa in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida between July 16th and 31st depending on the age category.

Optimist International Convention: We had 14 delegates attend from CENON. We had a shared hospitality suite with South West which received over 200 visitors at a cost \$787.56.



Denise Nacev, Growth/Membership Chair reminded everyone of our competition with the South West District. We added 212 members and deleted 189 members, we added one new club and sit at a net of plus 23 members. From a zone perspective, Zone 3 is first with 54 new members, Zone 8 with 47. The Growth incentive for the fourth quarter is a Samsung Galaxy for whoever brings in the most members in the fourth quarter.

Robert Brownlie reported that the new Club in Zone 2 the Haldimand Club had been formed and we were pleased to have charter members present at this their very first convention. The club chartered with 25 members and has five more new members to join. IO Representative Marc Katz presented the Builder of Excellence Award to Robert Brownlie

PGI Chair Michelle Stokes present Lynne Twocock with her level five pin and encouraged others to participate in the program.

Convention Report:

Special thanks to the convention committee for an outstanding job for this years' convention. The convention received 75 Optimists, 8 guests, and 16 youth. 27 out of 54 clubs were represented and that included 10 first timers in attendance.

Winners of the Ice Breaker – Shari Steffler, and Benjamin Rabishaw

O.I. Rep Marc Katz give an inspirational recount on how and why he became a member and encouraged others to use that thought process in their recruitment of new members.

Canadian Service Centre Representative Jacques Pelland brought greetings from the centre and expanded on the use of funds and corporate sponsorships and how these funds are used to support our scholarship programs.

Governor Sandra extended thanks to our speakers and to all for their attendance this weekend. She also reminded everyone that there are 45 days left to reach our goal and announced the date and time for the next regular Board of Directors Meeting as Saturday November 14th, 2015, at the Niagara Falls Optimist Club's new facility in Niagara Falls, Ontario. Time to be confirmed

The team extended Happy Birthday wishes to Floyd Smelser.

For the good of "OPTIMISM" Governor Sandra adjourn the Executive meeting at 11:45 am with the reciting of the Optimist Creed

Meeting Attendance Record: Board Meeting – See attached

ZONE	CLUB	NAME	Board & General Meeting
1	St. Catharines	Terry Twocock	Y
1	Gardeny City	Lynne Twocock	Y
1	Port Colborne	Susan Brown	Y
2	Dunnville	Christina Pinnance	Y
2	Stoney Creek	Al Wood	Y
2	Stoney Creek	Pamela Carom	Y
2	Stoney Creek	Ian Carter	Y
2	Ancaster	Robert Brownlie	Y
2	Ancaster	Dave Matson	Y
2	Ancaster	Dulcie Barber	Y
2	East Hamilson	Jim Wilkins	Y
2	Hamilton Inc.	Leo Bertuzzi	Y
2	Ancaster	Michelle Stokes	Y
2	Dunnville	Floyd Smelser	Y
3	Oakville	Brenda McDonald	Y
3	Oakville	Mac McDonald	Y
3	Burlington	Denise Nacev	Y
3	Burlington	Jody Caperchione	Y
3	Burlington	Marijke Coffa	Y
3	Burlington	Paula Montgomery	Y
3	Milton	Keith Lamson	Y
	Milton	Randee Silman	Y
3	Milton	Karen Manuel	Y
3	Burlington	Claire Smith	Y
3	Oakville	Gary Hill	Y
	Oakville	Vicki Mains Hill	Y
	Oakville	Carilyn McNaught	Y
3	Oakville	Tom McNaught	Y
4	Etobicoke	Susan Lynge	Y
4	Etobicoke	Jim Lynge	Y
4	Etobicoke	Gus Amodeo	Y
5	Newmarket	Jeff Miller	Y
	Newmarket	Carolyn Miland	Y
5	Newmarket	Janice Asselstine	Y
5	Newmarket	Ken Asselstine	Y
5	Richmond Hill	Jennifer Krizel	Y
5	Richmond Hill	Peter Krizel	Y
5	Aurora	Alex Ansell	Y
5	Keswick	Lauralee Reily	Y
5	Richmond Hill	Benjamin Rabishaw	Y
5	Richmond Hill	Nicole Rabishaw	Y
5	Richmond Hill	Bonnie Rabishaw	Y
5	Newmarket	Linda Rumble	Y
5	Newmarket	Mac Rumble	Y

6	Orangeville	Adrian Maes	Y
6	Caledon	Ted Simmonds	Y
6	Brampton	Janet Lewis	Y
6	Halton Hills	Jim Dallimore	Y
6	Caledon	Susan Montgomery	Y
8	Brooklin	Annette Cowan	Y
8	Brooklin	Brian Wick	Y
8	Brooklin	Shari Steffler	Y
10	Forest Park	Tony Edge	Y
2	Ancaster	Sandra Stokes	Y
2	Ancaster	Barry Stokes	Y
4	Etobicoke	Gord Holly	Y
4	Etobicoke	Barb Holly	Y
3	Milton	Steve Gardonyi	Y
3	Milton	Angelina Gardonyi	Y
OI	Michigan	Marc Katz	Y
JOOI	Arwen Montgomery	Burlington	Y
JOOI	Rebecca Dunlop	Milton	Y
JOOI	Jenna Staats	Milton	Y
JOOI	Oshany Ramamoorthi	Milton	Y
JOOI	Mathew Nacev	Burlington	Y
JOOI	Andrew Nacev	Burlington	Y
JOOI	Derek Caperchaicone	Burlington	Y
JOOI	Anna Caperchaicone	Burlington	Y
JOOI	Nikki Morin	Burlington	Y
JOOI	Micaela Luzza	Burlington	Y
JOOI	Paige Smith	Burlington	Y
JOOI	Brent Santacona	Brooklin	Y