



## Central Ontario District Executive Committee

<b>Purpose of Meeting:</b>	Central Ontario District Executive Committee Minutes		
<b>Date:</b>	February 5, 2016	<b>Location:</b>	Holiday Inn
<b>Time:</b>	7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	<b>Prepared by:</b>	Denise Nacev

Participants:			
<b>Head Table:</b>	Governor Steve Gardonyi, Secretary-Treasurer Denise Nacev, Past Governor Gord Holly, Governor Elect Mac Rumble, Past Governor Sandra Stokes		
<b>Voting Members In Attendance:</b>	<table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; border: none;">Steve Gardonyi Governor Robert Brownlie, Zone 2 LG Sandra Stokes PG &amp; Zone 7 LG Denise Nacev S/T Past Governor Gord Holly</td> <td style="width: 50%; border: none;">Susan Brown Zone 1 LG Jennifer Krizel Zone 5 LG Brian Wick Zone 9 Gov Elect Mac Rumble Past Governor Ted Simmonds</td> </tr> </table>	Steve Gardonyi Governor Robert Brownlie, Zone 2 LG Sandra Stokes PG & Zone 7 LG Denise Nacev S/T Past Governor Gord Holly	Susan Brown Zone 1 LG Jennifer Krizel Zone 5 LG Brian Wick Zone 9 Gov Elect Mac Rumble Past Governor Ted Simmonds
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<b>Next Meeting:</b>	<b>Date:</b> May 6, 2016	<b>Time:</b> 7:30 p.m.
<b>Location:</b>	Holiday Inn Kingston	

Governor Steve welcomed everyone to Niagara Falls

Governor Elect Mac opened the meeting with an Invocation.

Governor Steve introduced the head table.

### Approval of the Agenda

**Moved by: Ted Simmonds, Past Governor 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Susan Brown, LG Zone 1  
Carried**

### Approval of Executive Committee Minutes August, 2015

**Moved by: Sandra Stokes, Past Governor 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Robert Brownlie, LG Zone 2  
Carried**

### **Financial Statement Report**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Statement was presented
- 2014-2015 Financial Statement Review was presented.

#### **Approval of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Statements**

**Moved by: Mac Rumble Governor Elect 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Susan Brown, LG Zone 1  
Carried**

#### **Approval of 2014-2015 Financial Statement Review**

**Moved by: Susan Brown, LG Zone 1 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Ted Simmonds, Past Governor  
Carried**

### **Convention Report – Sandra Stokes:**

- Total participation was 82.
- Convention had a profit of \$131.70
- Change the wording on the statements to Surplus not profit

#### **Approval of 2015 Convention Report**

**Moved by: Susan Brown, LG Zone 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mac Rumble, Governor Elect  
Carried**

### **Items of Celebration:**

- Port Colborne 6th annual Girls Night Out on April 14th, put on Facebook and now down to 8 tickets because of Facebook.
- Forest Park raised \$3300 for CHEO Hospital, presented cheque and got a behind the scenes look at the treatment centres. Steve attended to tour and cheque presentation
- Niagara Falls last month held a Now meeting with 6 perspective members
- Optimist magazine had a 2 page spread on chess. We have clubs in our district who have been doing this for 20 years. 250-300 Kids participating from grade 1 to grade 12. 1,2,3 place winners in each age group go to provincials. Easy to set up. Teachers and kids become interested
- Spencerville chartered a new Junior Optimist Club with 10 members.
- Ted thanked Past Governor Brenda for coming to speak at zone meetings with enthusiasm and good feedback

### **New Business**

- Conferences - Please if people could book in advance, it causes challenges when planning the meals particularly the luncheon. The hotels are only allowing a 5% overage rather than 10%.
- Tony gave a membership report, we are working with Ottawa East. Snowboard has surrendered their charter. There are other clubs that need some rebuilding. Ted to check to see if there are any COLS alumni at York to help rebuild Mosaic

- Other schools may provide funding to the clubs. They have information nights where the students come to check out different dues

Next Executive Committee Meeting will be May 6, 7:30 pm

Adjourned at 8:30 pm with the Optimist Creed.

### Zone Reports:

- **Zone 1 – Grantham** has 1 new member, Bingo going well, Baseball registration starts in February; **Welland** has 1 new member, getting ready for Auction in April; **Niagara Falls** had 2 fundraisers – dinners very successful, 3 corporate Christmas parties, had a NOW meeting with 6 perspective members; **Port Colborne** participated in the Santa Claus parade, sold out of chocolate bars, held Christmas bazaar, hosted Christmas dinner for clients of Community Living, participated in the Chamber of Commerce trade show, 1 new member, paid out 6 donations to clubs and sports teams; **Garden City** had successful chocolate bar fundraiser, donated to RAFT program; **St. Catharines** Bingo going well, cadets are strong, Lottery tickets are now on sale
- **Zone 6** – Zone meeting held in Orangeville with PG Brenda McDonald present and did a presentation on membership retention and attracting new members. Zone is planning a Summit meeting in March or April to further address these issues and invite speakers to come and talk to us. **Orangeville** Biggest event of the year Christmas in the Park was a smashing success with an increase in lights and attendees, also have a new storage shed to house all of the equipment, currently working on new fundraising to replace Maple Syrup Festival; **Caledon** held a Euchre night fundraiser, participated in tree lighting and santa parade, pond hockey and helping out at grad 6-8 dance, help local schools defray the costs of school trips, started a program with the OPP “Shop with a Cop” Christmas project; **Brampton** donated \$2500 for Christmas basket for needy families with children, donated \$1000 to Friends of McHugh Public School to provide food for needy children, involved with local toy drive; **Halton Hills** regular fundraisers TV Bingo, Hall Bingo, Poker nights, involved with Santa parade, Santa calling, breakfast with Santa, Saturday Centre Christmas and Action Winter Carnival. Upcoming events garage sale, pub night, Mayors Bowling for Big brothers and sisters; **Erin** involved in Winterland cooked and served hotdogs and cold rinks for Tree Lighting, won best float in Santa Parade, helped Alma Optimist club at their plunger toss, Donated a 32' tv to Air cadet for their lasagna fundraiser, sponsoring 3 children and 1 leader for COLS.
- **Zone 7 – Parry Sound** in the process of moving their Nevada Booth to a new location in town which is right in the middle of town and tourist traffic area, working on becoming the official sponsor of the Rosseau Parade each year for the kids and are trying to organize a benefit concert for sometime in the summer, working to restore a Bookshelf ship that the club donated to the Library years ago and the library is

renovating and the ship was going to be destroyed .They are hoping to recreate the ship into their float.