

# Zone K Conference Minutes, Saturday March 11 2023

Host Club St Marys Kinsmen,

Deputy Governor Mike Austin

Secretary- Darcy Aaron Lemon, St Marys Kinsmen

Call to Order – 9:02 AM

O' Canada – Paul McCullough, Clinton Kinsmen

Kinsmen Song – Doug Patient, Stratford Kinsmen

Toast to the Association – Vice Governor Shawn Holroyd

Response to the Toast to the Association- Governor Karen Coutts

Moment of Silence For Kin and Family who have passed.

Recognition of Past Kin Officers( National, District & Zone)- too many to list!

Address to the Chair- DG Mike, Governor Karen, Life Members, Fellow Kin and Guest, Welcome to The Wild Wild West..... St Marys Style!

Introductions of Guests – Governor Karen Coutts, Vice Governors Carol Van Rooy & Shawn Holroyd, Vice Governors Candidates Lori & Paul Schnarr and National Director L/M Ryan McClinchey

Welcome from host club and any special rules- Conference Chairman Ken Hutton, St Marys Kinsmen addressed the attendees

Appointment of Sargent at Arms Austin Connelly, St Mary, Fines Master L/M Dave Proudlove

Scrutineers -Wayne Barber & Ken Hutton, St Marys

Rules and Orders Chair- L/M Ryan McClinchey

Roll Call – Clubs Present – Clinton, Goderich, St Marys & Stratford (4)

Clubs Absent – Hensall (1)

Total Members and Guests in attendance 32

Credentials Report from Credentials Chair- Vice Governor Carol Van Rooy

Total votes - 64

Show of hands vote – 50% + 1 - 33

2/3 majority vote - 43

Total Clubs in attendance(accredited Delegates) - 4

50% + 1 majority vote - 3

2/3 majority vote - 3

Motion to accept Credentials report- Dan Nicholson – Goderich Kinsmen

Seconded - Brandon Coleman - Clinton Kinsmen

Motion was carried

Motion to Open Fine session – Wayne Barber – St Marys Kinsmen

Seconded - Doug Patient - Stratford Kinsmen

Motion was Carried

District Welcome and update – Governor Karen addressed the attendees on the challenges and success of the past year, Club executive webinars on District 1 website & information on upcoming District Convention in Woodstock on June 2-4. Thank everyone for attending.

Opening of Zone Business

Motion to accept 2022 Zone Conference minutes – Brandon Coleman – Clinton Kinsmen

Seconded - Doug Patient - Stratford Kinsmen

Motion was carried

Discussion and motion to Accept Zone K Kinsmen financials – Doug Patient – Stratford Kinsmen  
Seconded – Dan Nicholson- Goderich Kinsmen  
Motion was Accepted

Perc Dawson Golf Tournament- Stratford Kinsmen are currently in the process of organizing, in the hopes of hosting before Kin years end. Details to be circulated in the near future.

Review House Rules – Awards- After a short discussion a motion was made to align Zone K Kinsmen awards with District 1 Criteria to simplify marking process.

Motioned by – Dan Nicholson – Goderich Kinsmen

Seconded by – Brandon Coleman - Clinton Kinsmen

Motion was Carried

Discussion on issues concerning Zone Clubs

Motion to Align with most other Zones in District One to become a Singular Zone for purposes of Zone meetings, Inner Clubs and Social events. Deputy Governors(DG's) will still consist of Two DG's in governing the Zone. House rules will be aligned over the next couple of years through a committee consisting of Kinsmen And Kinette members. Clubs will continue to run under their current Structure of Independent Kinsmen, Kinette or Kin Clubs.

Motion was made by Dan Nicholson- Goderich Kinsmen,

Seconded by – Doug Patient – Stratford Kinsmen

To have a discussion where everyone present was heard the meeting was suspended at 9:35 am and the Group went into a Committee of the Whole for a maximum of forty minutes. After everyone's questions, concerns and opinions were heard and answered the Committee of a Whole was dissolved and the meeting called back to order at 9:50.

Motion was Carried.

FIRST CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR DEPUTY GOVERNOR – No nominations Received

Speak Off competition – No Presenters

VG Team Resolution Discussion – Vice Governors Carol Van Rooy & Shawn Holroyd- Discussed their goals and visions for their upcoming years as District 1 Governors. Competition among Zones to host Inner Clubs and Socials to get Clubs and zones to have a greater inter action with each other. Asked the members to reach out with any questions, concerns or ideas.

Confirmation Of Stratford Kinsmen to Host for 2024 Zone K Conference

Motioned by Doug Patient – Stratford Kinsmen

Seconded By Wayne Barber - St Marys

Motion Carried

Open Floor discussions was held with members sharing experiences from past year with community feedback good and bad leading to community members showing a greater interest in the club and increasing membership, support for kin Canada's Data Base, Looking and applying for Government Grants or funding raising ideas, reaching out and attending Zone meetings to share ideas of success's and difficulties of fundraising ideas. Work as a Zone, District and National Organization to succeed as a Whole.

Joke Off Competition- Participants- Paul McCullough-Clinton, Ray Riddiough-Goderich,  
Dave Proudlove-St Marys and Doug Patient-Stratford

SECOND CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR DEPUTY GOVERNOR- no nominations received

District Vice Governors candidates Lori & Paul schnarr- Team “Pump Up Kin”. Continuing to campaign and listen to members on what keeps them Pumped up about Kin and what can be done to continue that trend.

Cystic Fibrosis/Service report- DG Mike- Stressed the continued support of Cystic Fibrosis so a cure can be found, Support of Canadian Blood Services District 1 donation code is KINC110223- share with family and friends who donate blood to help District 1 reach pledged donations of blood, Kin Bursaries importance to donate to HREF fund and submit student applications and a reminder to all Clubs to complete Service hours and Dollars raised each year before June 15.

National Director Ryan McClinchey- Board report- highlighted that all district have new members pending approval which would increase membership by over 200 across the entire association if approved.

THIRD AND FINAL CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR DEPUTY GOVERNOR  
no nominations received – No Deputy Governor Elected

Presentation of Awards – Club Expansion Award - St Marys Kinsmen  
Herb McClatchey Attendance award - Stratford Kinsmen  
Joke Off Award - Dave Proudlove- St Marys Kinsmen  
Bill Kirky/Harold Hibbert Bulletin Award- Dan Nicholson- Goderich Kinsmen

Incoming Deputy Governor - ????

Fine session closes- \$83.45 Motion for fine pot to HREF -Dan Nicholson

Seconded Brandon Coleman

Motion Carried

Spring convention Information- hotel and registration form in Bulletin

National Convention information ( hoping to have info for Zone)

Host Club Final Remarks- announce fellowship activity- Ken Hutton- St Marys Kinsmen

Announcement for the good of Kin- St Thomas Steak & Beer Night, April 15- \$40.00 a ticket

Goderich Catch the Ace Draw- \$5.00 a ticket

Cystic Fibrosis Draw 50/50- \$127.50 to winner - Brent Foley( Donated back to Cystic Fibrosis)  
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Deputy Governors closing remarks- Thanked Clubs for a great year, St Marys for an awesome Zone Conference and District team for a challenging at times but enjoyable year. Thanked everyone who attended , Zone Conference for their participation and fpr making it a great day.

Kin Grace- L/M Earl Pennington- Goderich Kinsmen

Motion to Adjourn – Wayne Barber - St Marys Kinsmen

Seconded - Brandon Coleman- Clinton Kinsmen

Motion Carried

