7. Minutes of the 14th Biennial Conference

FRIDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER 2017 3:00PM
OPENING CEREMONY AND RECEPTION

1. CALL TO ORDER
Conference was called to order by Conference Chairman Wendy Almond, and those present were asked to be upstanding for the entrance of the Official Party which included Zonta International Representative Hsin-hsin Yang, Christchurch City Councillor Anne Galloway, and the District 16 Board. The ceremony was then emceed by Agnes White and Billie Watmuff from the Christchurch North Club.

This was followed by the posting of the flags of New Zealand, Taiwan and Zonta International, carried in by students from Avonside Girls High School Z Club. The club banner parade with the roll call of the 28 clubs was led by the District Governor’s club, Hibiscus Coast.

The New Zealand National Anthem was sung, followed by the playing of the Taiwan National Anthem.

2. WELCOME TO CHRISTCHURCH
Christchurch City Councillor Anne Galloway welcomed delegates to Christchurch.

3. OFFICIAL WELCOME TO CONFERENCE
Governor Janet Hope, wearing the kākahu, welcomed Zonta International Representative Hsin-hsin Yang, Christchurch City Councillor Anne Galloway, Past International President Lynn McKenzie, District 16 Board, Past District Governors Jean Corbin Thomas, Maxelyn Tudman, Lynette Grave, Anne Walker, Anne McMurtrie, Maureen Heine and Janette Irvine, District 16 Committee Chairmen, Zonta Woman of the Biennium recipient 2008 - 2010 and honorary member of the Zonta Club of Christchurch Canterbury, Dame Adrienne Stewart, guest speaker Kimberley Wallace, fellow Zontians, and guests to the Conference. Guests at the Opening Ceremony included a number of Zontians’ partners.

4. INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
Zonta International President Sonja Hönig Schough addressed the Conference via video.

5. ADDRESS BY ZONTA INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE
Hsin-hsin Yang, Zonta International Representative, addressed the Conference.
6. KEYNOTE ADDRESS
Kimberley Wallace, explorer and adventurer, delivered the Keynote Address to the Conference entitled, “Her Journey So Far, a Life Less Ordinary, as a Survival Guide and Expedition leader, with a Strong Passion for Antarctica - Shaping Her Future”.

7. The Opening Ceremony was closed by Conference Chairman Wendy Almond, followed by a reception.

8. CHRISTCHURCH EATERIES
Zontians and guests travelled by coach to enjoy dinner at four selected restaurants in Christchurch.

FIRST BUSINESS SESSION SATURDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER 8:50 AM

9. ENTRANCE, WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
Registrants stood while the District 16 Board and Zonta International Board Representative Hsin-hsin Yang entered the Avon 1 & 2 rooms.

Governor Janet Hope welcomed Zonta International Board Representative Hsin-hsin Yang, distinguished Zontians, and fellow Zontians to the 14th Biennial Zonta District 16 Conference. Governor Janet summarised the Opening Ceremony, and recognised that 23rd September is Election Day in New Zealand.

Principal Conference Sponsors – Southern Trust and KPMG, other Sponsors – Carter Valuations Limited, Ballantynes, Bay of Many Coves Resort, Distinction Hotels Fox Glacier, Robert Purchas and Associates, and Michael Nutt Marketing were acknowledged and thanked. Governor Janet also expressed her gratitude to Wendy Almond, the Christchurch Conference Committee, and the many members who helped with conference planning and assisting in Christchurch, including the members of the Zonta Club of Hibiscus Coast.

Governor Janet called the Conference to order.

Governor Janet introduced the top table: Desirae Kirby District Parliamentarian and Bylaws & Resolutions Committee Chairman, Suzanne Coleman District Secretary, Zonta International Board Representative Hsin-hsin Yang (Zonta Club of Taipei II), Lt. Governor Souella Cumming, District Treasurer Barbara Astill, Area 1 Director Irene McPherson, Area 2 Director Nicola Schreurs, Area 3 Director Sue Grainger, Area 4 Director Vivienne Stephens and Area 5 Director Helen Carter.

She also welcomed and introduced: PIP Lynn McKenzie, Regional Representative on the Centennial Anniversary Endowment Campaign Committee; ZI Leadership Development Committee Chairman, PDG Maureen Heine; PDG Lynette Grave, Regional Representative on the Centennial Anniversary Endowment Campaign Committee; PDGs Jean Corbin Thomas, Maxelyn Tudman, Anne Walker, Anne McMurtrie and Janette Irvine; Conference Chairman
Wendy Almond, Credentials Chairman Alison Grant, and District Nominating Committee member Jill Hobden; guests Jane M Klausman Scholarship Awardee Sarah-Michelle Washer and guest speakers Supt. Tusha Penny and Michelle Panzer.

There are 181 registrations for Conference as at 17/9/17. First timer attendees were acknowledged.

10. CREDENTIAL’S REPORT
Alison Grant, Credentials Chairman presented the Credentials Report:
Elected District Officers – 8, Accredited Delegates – 32, Accredited Proxies – 0
Total Voting Members this session – 40

MOVED THAT THE REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE BE ADOPTED.
    Moved: Hawke’s Bay
    Seconded: Ashburton
    Carried

11. ADOPTION OF THE STANDING RULES OF CONFERENCE
MOVED THAT THE STANDING RULES AS IN THE CONFERENCE BOOK BE ADOPTED FOR THE 14TH BIENNIAL DISTRICT 16 CONFERENCE.
    Moved: Mangawhai
    Seconded: Wellington
    Carried

Governor Janet outlined the guidelines and protocols to be used at the Conference. She advised attendees that the proceeds from the Silent Auction will go to the Zonta International Foundation – International Service Fund. Proceeds from the Raffle will go to the Zonta International Foundation – ZISVAW Fund.

12. ADOPTION OF CONFERENCE PROGRAMME
MOVED THAT THE 2017 CONFERENCE PROGRAMME BE ADOPTED.
    Moved: Rotorua
    Seconded: Auckland
    Carried

Governor Janet requested leave of the conference delegates to vary the agenda should circumstances necessitate it, in order to ensure that all business is completed. There was no objection.

13. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE 2015 CONFERENCE
Governor Janet called for any corrections to the minutes. There being none she moved: THAT THE MINUTES OF THE 13TH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE HELD IN Rotorua on 18-20 September 2015, AS APPROVED BY THE 2014-2016 DISTRICT BOARD, BE CONFIRMED.
Moved: Mangawhai  
   Seconded: Tauranga  
   Carried  
Matters Arising: Matters arising from the 2015 Conference have been actioned.

MOVED THAT THE 14TH BIENNIAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE GIVES LEAVE FOR THE MINUTES OF THIS CONFERENCE TO BE APPROVED BY THE CURRENT DISTRICT BOARD.  
   Moved: Christchurch North  
   Seconded: Hibiscus Coast  
   Carried  

14. CORRESPONDENCE  
There was no official correspondence. Greetings have been received from: Jeanette Curtis, District 24 Governor; Judy Gorton, District 23 Governor; Ansmarie Van Erp, District 22 Governor; PIP Val Sarah; Vicky Mee, Chair NZ WEPS Committee; PDG Janette Irvine and Janine Gould - District Nominating Committee Chairman.

Governor Janet advised that greetings from the Conference will be sent to PDG Joan-Mary Longcroft, on the occasion of her 90th Birthday, as she was unable to attend.

15. GOVERNOR’S ADDRESS  
MOVED THAT THE GOVERNOR’S REPORT, AS IN THE 2017 CONFERENCE BOOK, BE ADOPTED.  
   Moved: Governor Janet  
   Seconded: Wellington  
   Carried.

16. ZONTA INTERNATIONAL CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN (CAEC) PRESENTATION  
The CAEC presentation was given by Hsin-hsin Yang, Zonta International Board Representative, PIP Lynn McKenzie and PDG Lynette Grave. The CAEC is an intensive fundraising effort to ensure that Zonta will be able to sustain projects and programs to meet the needs of future generations of women and girls. It offers an opportunity for Zontians to leave a legacy, show belief in our cause, invest in the future and empower many more millions of women and girls in the future.  
   Introduced by Governor Janet Hope  
   Thanked by Parliamentarian Desirae Kirby

CLOSE OF FIRST BUSINESS SESSION  

MORNING TEA
SECOND BUSINESS SESSION 10.20 AM

17. CREDENTIALS REPORT
Alison Grant Credentials Chairman presented the Credentials Report:
Elected District Officers – 8, Accredited Delegates – 32, Accredited Proxies – 0
Total Voting Members this session – 40

MOVED THAT THE REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE BE ADOPTED.
Moved: East Auckland
Seconded: Ashburton
Carried

18. KEYNOTE SPEAKER – SUPERINTENDENT TUSHA PENNY
Supt. Tusha Penny spoke on how her early formative years influenced her future and how that
helped lead her into the role she has today in the NZ Police Force. Child Abuse, Family
Violence - her message was confronting, moving and shocking. Supt Penny shared the “why”,
that keeps her motivated every single day.

Introduced by Area 1 Director Irene McPherson
Thanked by Area 4 Director Vivienne Stephens

19. NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT
At the 2015 Conference Janine Gould (Chairman), Wendy Almond and Lynda Garrett were
elected to the Nominating Committee. Lynda was not able to take up this role so another
candidate, Jill Hobden, filled the vacancy. In the absence of Janine Gould, Jill Hobden
presented the slate of candidates for the 2018 -2020 Biennium.

District 16 Board & Vice Area Directors:

District Governor   Souella Cumming
Lt. Governor        Desirae Kirby
Treasurer           Barbara Astill
Area 1 Director     Margaret Coe
Area 1 Vice Director Heather Wellington
Area 2 Director     Carolina Gartner
Area 2 Vice director Jen McKinlay - Birkin
Area 3 Director     Phillippa Jacobs
Area 3 Vice Director Cheryl Moffat
Area 4 Director     Helen Skedgwell
Area 4 Vice Director Gail McIntosh
Area 5 Director     Alison Jordan
Area 5 Vice Director Cailleen Trengrove
District 16 Nominating Committee:
   Helen Carter
   Irene McPherson
   Philippa Nixon
   Jan Pearson
   Agnes White
(Three to be elected, highest polled to be Chairman)

20. CALL FOR FURTHER NOMINATIONS
Governor Janet called for further nominations. No further nominations being received, Governor Janet declared the nominations closed.
MOVED THAT THE SLATE AS PRESENTED BY THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR THE 2018 -2020 BIENNIAL BE ACCEPTED.
   Moved: Hawke’s Bay
   Seconded: Wanganui
   Carried

21. THANKS TO NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Governor Janet thanked the Nominating Committee for the work they have undertaken to present the slate of candidates and MOVED THAT THE THANKS TO THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE BE RECORDED IN THE MINUTES.
   Moved: Christchurch South
   Seconded: Mangawhai
   Carried

22. ADDRESSES BY CANDIDATES
The candidates for the District Board and District Nominating Committee addressed the Conference.
It was noted that Helen Skedgwell, candidate for Area 4 Director, was unable to be present.

23. PROCEDURE FOR VOTING
Alison Grant Credentials Chairman outlined the arrangements for voting for candidates. PDG Janette Irvine and immediate past Credentials Chairman Gwenda Pennington have been appointed by Governor Janet to act as scrutineers.

24. REMITS
REMTS 6 & 7 were presented to the Conference, as the outcome of voting by Delegates regarding the Young Professional Membership Category, would impact on options in relation to later voting re the setting of District dues.
Motion: That District 16 endorse the pilot project for a Young Professional Membership Category for those under the age of 30 as at 1 June, currently being offered in the 2016-2018 biennium by Zonta International as part of the Global Membership Drive.

Rationale: In District 16 we need more of young professional members to grow the Zonta International organisation in our district. After almost a century of advocacy and action to empower women and girls around the world, Zonta International has launched a global campaign to increase awareness of the organisation’s vision and goals and attract more volunteers.

Zonta International President Sonja Hönig Schough said “Zonta is fully committed to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal No. 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls. By 2030, we want to see a world in which every woman and girl is able to achieve her full potential. We want them to have greatly improved access to resources and to be equally represented in decision-making positions. Above all, we want to see a world in which no woman or girl lives in fear of violence.”

"New members are the lifeblood of any volunteer-driven organization. Through our Global Membership Drive over the next 12 months, Zonta clubs in 66 countries will reach out to like-minded women and men. We want them to join us as advocates in combating inequality and violence, and to work alongside us as volunteers providing hands-on service in their communities and raising funds for our international projects and education programs."

This vision will be achieved by advocating membership recruitment strategies targeted towards a younger demographic, thereby increasing the membership of all clubs across District 16 and as such, increase the health and vibrancy of Zonta International generally.

A District 16 resolution in support of the Young Professional Membership Category, approved at the International Convention in Nice, is the first step in supporting this pilot project.

Proposed by: Zonta Club of Manawatu.
Moved by: Zonta Club of Manawatu
Seconded by: Zonta Club of Hawke’s Bay
Carried

Move that, providing the Young Professional Membership Category is retained following the 2018 Zonta International Convention, District 16 Rule of Procedure 2 (Payment of Dues) will be amended to include a dues discount for the Young Professional Membership Category:
### 2. PAYMENT OF DUES

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Rationale: A new membership category was established by vote at the Zonta International Convention in Nice in 2016. This category is known as Young Professional Membership Category which is being offered as a pilot project for 2016-2018, at which time it will be reviewed.

International dues for Young Professional Membership Category have been set at 50% of the full rate effective 1 June 2017, for all members under the age of 30 as at that date.

District 16 should mirror this with a proportionate reduction in District 16 dues, thereby reducing the barriers to membership for this targeted group as we strive to grow membership in accordance with Zonta International's Global Membership Drive.

Accordingly, this remit proposes that should Zonta International agree to continue with the Young Professional Membership category from 1 June 2018, District dues will be discounted by fifty percent for new or existing members meeting the Young Professional Membership criteria.

Any increase in the number of Young Professionals joining Zonta will be a benefit to all Clubs across District 16, as this group is currently significantly under-represented in the Club membership.

Another reason that District 16 should support this initiative is that other service clubs with whom we compete for members have incentives to entice young professionals and tertiary students into their ranks.

For Example –

Rotary - New Generations Service Exchange is a short-term, customizable program for university students and young professionals up to age 30.

Participants can design exchanges that combine their professional goals with a humanitarian project.
With the host Rotary district, participants are able to plan activities that can include networking, relationship building, humanitarian service, professional development, and leadership training.

Exchanges:

- Last from a few weeks to six months
  - Can be arranged for individuals or groups
  - Need not be reciprocal

Costs vary by Rotary club or district. To reduce expenses, Rotary members often provide homestay options, arrange no-cost internship or job-shadowing programs, and offer other financial assistance.

Proposed by:  Zonta Club of Manawatu
Moved by:  Zonta Club of Manawatu
Seconded by: Zonta Club of Christchurch Canterbury
Vote:   Carried

CLOSE OF SECOND BUSINESS SESSION

LUNCH BREAK WITH VOTING & CONFERENCE PHOTO

25. WORKSHOPS
Growing our membership – Souella Cumming and Hsin-hsin Yang
Navigating the District & ZI Websites – Anna Arps, Nikola Bass & Philippa Jacobs
Advocacy – Christine Cook & Helen Bowie
Making our Service Count - Philippa Nixon & Helen Carter

26. KEYNOTE SPEAKER – MICHELLE PANZER

Michelle Panzer, a former Jane M Klausman Scholarship awardee in 2013, Law and Commerce graduate of University of Canterbury (UC), spoke about her Journey and Shaping her Future and that of other young women, through her work as a manager in the Centre for Entrepreneurship at UC. Scholarships provide support for Women taking on the World through Business.

Introduced by Area 2 Director Nicola Schreurs
Thanked by Area 3 Director Sue Grainger
27. FOUNDATION AMBASSADOR’S REPORT
Foundation Ambassador Anne Walker presented her report.

MOVED THAT THE REPORT OF THE FOUNDATION AMBASSADOR BE ADOPTED.
Moved: Auckland
Seconded: Hawke’s Bay
Carried

AFTERNOON TEA

THIRD BUSINESS SESSION 3.25 PM

28. CREDENTIALS REPORT
Alison Grant Credentials Chairman presented the Credentials Report:
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Total Voting Members this session – 40

MOVED THAT THE REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE BE ADOPTED.
   Moved: Wellington
   Seconded: Thames Valley
   Carried

29. FINANCIAL REPORTS & RELATED MOTIONS
District 16 Treasurer Barbara Astill presented her report and the reviewed Financial
Statements for year ending 31/5/2016 and the Draft Financial Statements for the year
ending 31/5/2017.
MOVED THE ADOPTION OF THE TREASURER’S REPORT AND THE ZONTA
INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 16 REVIEWED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR
ENDING 31/5/2016 AND THE DRAFT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR
ENDING 31/5/2017.
   Moved: District Treasurer Barbara Astill
   Seconded: Lt Governor Souella Cumming
   Carried

District Treasurer Barbara Astill spoke to the appointment of the reviewer.
MOVED THAT BROWNE’S CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS OF AUCKLAND BE
APPOINTED TO REVIEW THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL
DISTRICT 16 INCORPORATED FOR THE YEARS ENDING 31 MAY 2018 AND 31 MAY
2019.
   Moved: District Treasurer Barbara Astill
   Seconded: Marlborough
   Carried
MOVED THAT THE DISTRICT 16 DUES FOR THE 2018-2020 BIENNIIUM BE SET AT $54 PER MEMBER FOR THE FULL YEAR (FROM 1 JUNE) AND $27 PER MEMBER FOR THE HALF YEAR (FROM 1 DECEMBER).

Moved: District Treasurer Barbara Astill
Seconded: Lt Governor Souella Cumming
Carried

District Treasurer Barbara Astill presented the budget for the 2018-2020 Biennium.

Moved: District Treasurer Barbara Astill
Seconded: Mangawhai
Carried

District Treasurer Barbara Astill presented her report and the financial statements for the District 16 Charitable Trust.

Moved: District Treasurer Barbara Astill
Seconded: East Auckland
Carried

District Treasurer Barbara Astill spoke to the appointment of the reviewer.

Moved: District Treasurer Barbara Astill
Seconded: Lt Gov Souella Cumming
Carried

30. DISTRICT PROJECT PROPOSAL PRESENTATIONS
Kate Blundell, CE of the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Trust, spoke to their proposal. Introduced by Jenny Fairley from the Zonta Club of Whangarei.

Leigh Bredenkamp, Board member of Perinatal Anxiety and Depression Aotearoa and Lynne King, a recently retired midwife, spoke to their proposal. Introduced by Margaret Currie from the Zonta Club of Christchurch South. Thanked by Lt Governor Souella Cumming
31. RESULTS OF VOTING
The District Board for the 2018-2020 Biennium will be:
District Governor  Souella Cumming
Lt. Governor  Desirae Kirby
Treasurer  Barbara Astill
Area 1 Director  Margaret Coe
Area 2 Director  Carolina Gartner
Area 3 Director  Phillippa Jacobs
Area 4 Director  Helen Skedgwell
Area 5 Director  Alison Jordan

The Vice Area Directors for the 2018-2020 Biennium will be:
Area 1       Heather Wellington
Area 2               Jen McKinlay-Birkin
Area 3      Cheryl Moffat
Area 4               Gail McIntosh
Area 5     Cailleen Trengrove

The Nominating Committee for the 2018-2020 Biennium will be:
Helen Carter                  Chairman
Irene McPherson
Jan Pearson

MOVED THE DESTRUCTION OF THE BALLOT PAPERS.
Moved: Governor Janet
Seconded: Hawke’s Bay
Carried

32. REMITS CONTINUED
REMITS FROM THE ZONTA INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 16 BOARD

The following remits (1 – 5) cover the Zonta International District 16 Rules of Procedure (Dated 20 September 2015). The intent is to keep wording up-to-date with changes to the Bylaws and Rules of Procedure of Zonta International, and/or to reflect current District 16 processes. Deletions are crossed out, and amendments/additions are shown underlined.

REMIT 1.
Move that the following changes be made to District 16 Rule of Procedure 10 to reflect current Zonta International terminology:
10. CHARTER DINNERS AND WORKSHOPS CHARTER DINNERS AND AREA MEETINGS

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Rationale: Wording changed from Area Forum/s to Area Meeting/s to reflect current Zonta International terminology.

Proposed by: District 16 Board  
Moved: Area 4 Director Vivienne Stephens  
Seconded: Area 1 Director Irene McPherson  
Carried.

REMIT 2.

Move that the following changes be made to District 16 Rules of Procedure 11, 14, & 21 to include reference to Vice Area Directors:

11. OFFICIAL VISITS BY DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS

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<td>Official running expenses for the District Board, the District Committee Chairmen</td>
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<td>Name badges for Board members shall be ordered at the end of each Conference.</td>
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Rationale: In 2016, a motion via mail ballot was passed to establish the elected office of Vice Area Director for each of the Areas in District 16. These wording changes update the relevant District 16 Rules of Procedure to reflect this change and seek to clarify where rules relating to expenses, responsibilities, etc., apply to Vice Area Directors. Note: District 16 Rules of Procedure 33 (Appointment of Area Directors and Vice Area Directors) and 36 (Election of Area Directors) were updated at the 2015 District 16 Conference to allow for the option of Vice Area Directors.

- Proposed by: District 16 Board
- Moved: Area 1 Director Irene McPherson
- Seconded: Area 3 Director Sue Grainger
- Carried.

REMIT 3.

Move that District 16 Rule of Procedure 40 (Zonta Telephone Listings) be removed:

40. ZONTA TELEPHONE LISTINGS

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<td>Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin shall maintain a permanent telephone number in the Telephone Directory under ‘Zonta International’, which will be paid for by the District. The number of entries for each Area shall be determined by the District</td>
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Board, having regard for the location and the geographical size of the area.

Rationale: For several years now only one of the above listings has been maintained – Dunedin. During this time the number has received very few calls. The main form of contact to Zonta is via the District website, Facebook and individual Club email addresses. The District 16 Board believes that maintaining a District telephone listing is no longer relevant and is therefore proposing to remove Rule of Procedure 40. This does not preclude individual Clubs maintaining their own listing if they wish to do so.

Proposed by: District 16 Board
Moved: Area 2 Director Nicola Schreurs
Second: Area 5 Director Helen Carter
Carried.

REMIT 4.

Move that the following new Rule of Procedure (Use of Zonta Flag at Funerals) be added to the District 16 Rules of Procedure:

X. USE OF ZONTA FLAG AT FUNERALS

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<td>The Zonta International flag will be offered to the families of Past District 16 Governors for use at funeral or memorial services. Contact is to be made by the current Governor or Lieutenant Governor.</td>
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Rationale: The District 16 Board wishes to formalise the current practice of offering the use of the Zonta International flag at funeral or memorial services for Past District 16 Governors. While the offer is not always taken up, it has been deeply appreciated and is a way of recognising the individual’s service to our District. A number of Zonta Districts around the world have formal protocols in place in relation to recognising the passing of a former Governor.

Note: This proposed new Rule of Procedure (ROP) would become number 40, if the current ROP 40 (Telephone Listings) is removed. Should the current ROP 40 remain, this new Rule of Procedure would then become ROP 47.

Proposed by: District 16 Board
Moved: Area 5 Director Helen Carter
Seconded: Area 4 Director Vivienne Stephens
Carried
REMIT 5.

Move that District 16 Rule of Procedure 29 (Sales at District Conference) be changed to read as follows:

29. SALES AT DISTRICT CONFERENCE

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<td>Proceeds from the silent auction from the District Conference shall be given to the Zonta International Service Fund.</td>
<td>Proceeds from the silent auction at the District Conference shall be given to the Zonta International Foundation – International Service Fund. Proceeds from the raffle at the District Conference shall be given to a District 16 Project or one or more Zonta International Foundation Funds. This determination is to be made prior to Conference by the Club organising the raffle.</td>
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Rationale: Proceeds from the silent auction at District Conference are directed to the International Service Fund. Proceeds from the sales tables at District Conference are retained by the relevant Clubs. No formal direction is in place in relation to the raffle proceeds from District Conference. Traditionally, the District Board has asked the Club organising the raffle where they would like proceeds to be directed, either at a District or International level. This request usually takes place after Conference.

The Board would like this decision made prior to Conference, so that the beneficiary/beneficiaries of the raffle proceeds can be displayed at the point of sale. The raffle organising Club may choose from a pool of options made up of current District 16 Project/s or Zonta International Foundation Funds (i.e. Amelia Earhart Fellowship Fund, Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship Fund, Young Women in Public Affairs Award Fund, International Service Fund, ZISVAW Fund, Rose Fund, Zonta International Foundation Endowment Fund, and Amelia Earhart Endowment Fund).

Proposed by: District 16 Board
Moved: Area 3 Director Sue Grainger
Seconded: Area 2 Director Nicola Schreurs
Carried

REMITS FROM ZONTA INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 16 CLUBS

The following remits have been received from Zonta International District 16 Clubs. Where relevant, deletions are crossed out, and amendments/additions are shown underlined.
REMIT 8 – ZONTA CLUB OF WELLINGTON

Move that the following remits be submitted to the Zonta International Bylaws and Resolutions Committee for consideration at the Yokohama Convention in 2018:

Remit 1

That Bylaw, Article XI Zonta International Nominating Committee, SECTION 5. Duties, (b), concerning Nominations from the Floor, be amended by removing references to nominations from the floor.

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Rationale: This remit seeks to remove the right to receive nominations from the floor for the following Zonta International roles: Officers and Directors and International Nominating Committee members. It is important that the Nominating Committee assesses all nominees for these roles fairly, and equally using the same criteria.

Nominations from the floor are not required because:

- Suitable qualified candidates are obtained without the need for these nominations. The nomination process provides sufficient time for nominations to be received (at least six months) and permits the elected International Nominating Committee to seek additional candidates without the need for nominations from the floor; and
- Receiving nominations from the floor is not equitable or fair, as the Bylaws do not require them to be subject to the same level of assessment by the International Nominating Committee as those who have submitted their nomination earlier.
- Nominations from the floor, only need to be “qualified” in terms of Officers and Directors, Article VI, Section 1 (a) and Section 2 (a), and for the International Nominating Committee, Article XI Section 2. Qualifications relate to holding specific Zonta office and do not include any assessment of how well they performed in that office, nor whether they meet the competencies and personal attributes for the Zonta International roles they are seeking nomination. For example, to be a Zonta International Director, nominees “shall be a classified member of a Zonta club, and shall have served at least one year as a Governor, Lt Governor, District Treasurer or Area Director” Article VI, Section 2 (a).
In recent conventions, there have been few nominations from the floor. These nominations may come from those whose nominations have been assessed and declined by the International Nominating Committee; or from those whose circumstance has changed since the closing date for nominations; or from those who chose not to submit their nomination by the earlier closing date.

Remit 2 (For presentation if Remit 1 is not passed).

That Bylaw, Article XI Zonta International Nominating Committee, SECTION 5. Duties, (b), concerning Nominations from the Floor, be amended. Note: Amendment underlined

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Rationale: This remit seeks to specify the assessment criteria to be applied for nominations from the floor for the following Zonta International roles: Officers and Directors and International Nominating Committee members. It is important that the Nominating Committee assesses all nominees for these roles fairly, and equally using the same criteria.

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Proposed by: Zonta Club of Wellington
Moved: Zonta Club of Wellington
Seconded: Zonta Club of Mana
Carried

REMIT 9 – ZONTA CLUB OF AUCKLAND NORTH SHORE

Move that the following remit be submitted to the Zonta International Bylaws and Resolutions Committee for consideration at the Yokohama Convention in 2018:

“That the following changes to the Zonta International Bylaws be made to allow for the option of on-line voting for Resolutions and Bylaw changes, normally conducted at Zonta International Conventions or District Conferences.”

Article X, Convention, Section 5, Quorum

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Rationale:

This proposal is to have voting and discussion done on-line before a District Conference or International Convention. This would allow more time for careful consideration of ideas presented both in favour and against proposed Bylaw amendments. Many worthwhile ideas are presented verbally at Conventions and Conferences, but they get minimal consideration, because of time limitations.

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As in the past, the voting results would be announced at the International Convention or District Conference.

Proposed by: Zonta Club of Auckland North Shore
Moved: Zonta Club of North Shore
Seconded: Zonta Club of West Auckland
Carried

**REMIT 10 REVISED – ZONTA CLUB OF AUCKLAND NORTH SHORE**

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Proposed by: Zonta Club of Auckland North Shore
Moved: Zonta Club of North Shore
Seconded: Zonta Club of West Auckland
Carried
33. REPORTS

Governor Janet asked a delegate to move –
THAT THE REPORTS IN THE 2017 CONFERENCE BOOK EXCLUDING THOSE OF
GOVERNOR, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, TREASURER AND FOUNDATION
AMBASSADOR BE ADOPTED.

Moved: Mangawhai
Seconded: Manawatu

34. ZONTA NEW ZEALAND WOMAN OF THE BIENNIUM AWARD

Governor Janet advised that the recipient of this award was unable to attend Conference due
to commitments on Election Day. She invited Karen Clark, President of the Zonta Club of
Rotorua, to read the citation and announce the winner, prominent lawyer, Mai Chen.
Attendees viewed a video provided by Mai Chen accepting the award.

CLOSE OF THIRD BUSINESS SESSION AND DAY ONE OF CONFERENCE

35. CONFERENCE DINNER
The Conference Gala Dinner was held at the Transitional Cathedral. Sarah Kessans, the
keynote speaker, spoke about “Testing the Limit of the Human Spirit: Shaping our Future By
Reaching for the Stars”.

SUNDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 8.00 AM

36. MEMORIAL SERVICE
The Zonta Club of Marlborough presented a very moving Memorial Service to remember
Zonta members and former members who had passed away since the 2015 Conference. 13
candles were lit and Zonta roses displayed.

FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION 8.40 AM

37. CREDENTIALS REPORT
Alison Grant Credentials Chairman presented the Credentials Report:
Elected District Officers – 8, Accredited Delegates – 31, Accredited Proxies – 0, Alternate - 1
Total Voting Members this session – 40

MOVED THAT THE REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE BE ADOPTED.
  Moved: Hawke’s Bay
  Seconded: Ashburton
  Carried
38. LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR’S REPORT
Lt. Governor Souella Cumming highlighted key items from her report.
MOVED THAT THE LT. GOVERNOR’S REPORT BE ADOPTED.

Moved: Lt. Governor Souella Cumming
Seconded: Tauranga
Carried

39. CHERRY RAYMOND AWARD
Lt Governor Souella supported by the selection committee members AD Irene McPherson and Auckland Club President, Lyn Amos, presented certificates to all clubs who participated in the Cherry Raymond Award: Ashburton, Christchurch South, Hamilton-Waikato, Hawke’s Bay, Mana, Mangawhai, Marlborough and Wellington.

Lt. Governor Souella Cumming announced Zonta Club of MANA as the winner, with their Project “Women Behind the Wire.”

40. Governor Janet acknowledged and welcomed Bill O'Brien and Lesley Elliot from the Sophie Elliot Foundation and PDG Susan Laidlaw, who had joined the audience.

41. SILENT AUCTION RESULTS

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### 12. Patchwork Runner
Margaret Coe, Auckland North Shore, $120.00

### 13. Lady Gaga Perfume
Shirleen Oakley, Christchurch South, $100.00

### 14. Albatross Pendant
Judy Sneesby, Waimakariri, $150.00

### 15. Pendant + Earrings
Anne Trappitt, Christchurch South, $90.00

### 16. Chopsticks
Kathy McKimmie, Ashburton, $65.00

### 17. Wool and Mohair rug
Melissa Benge, Christchurch Canterbury, $200.00

### 18. “First Light on the Peak”
Ailsa Allen, Hawke’s Bay, $200.00

### 19. Brooch
Lynette Grave, Metropolitan Dunedin, $200.00

### 20. Cookery Book
Jane Mears, Waimakariri, $85.00

### 21. Wood block Print
Hilary Bishop, Oamaru, $80.00

### 22. Ocean Organic Beauty Products
Jill O’Brien, Manawatu, $65.00

### 23. Zonta Girls Baby Pack
Marie Kyle-Stevenson, Christchurch Canterbury, $80.00

### 24. Brooch Badge Holder
Rizwaana Latiff, Hawke’s Bay, $40.00

### 25. Hand Care Products
Shirley-Anne Pearce, Christchurch South, $45.00

Total funds raised $2970.00

#### 42. RAFFLE RESULTS
The Winner of the weekend at Bay of Many Coves, donated by Nigel and Janine Gould, was Shirley Pearce - Christchurch North

The Winner of the weekend at Distinction Hotels, Fox Glacier, donated by Alli and Grant Husband was Hilary Bishop – Oamaru

$1,170.00 was raised by the Raffle which will be donated to the ZISVAW Fund.

#### 43. DISTRICT PROJECT UPDATE
Bill O’Brien from the Sophie Elliot Foundation used the “It’s a Kind of Magic” song, by Queen, as the theme of his “Thank you” to Zonta District 16.

Lesley Elliot also added her thanks for the generous support Zonta has provided to the Sophie Elliot Foundation during the past three years.

Introduced by Sarah Hydes Zonta Club of Metropolitan Dunedin.

Thanked by Governor Janet Hope.
44. VOTE ON DISTRICT PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR 2018-2020
PADA- Perinatal Anxiety and Depression Aotearoa was selected by a majority of delegates as the new District Project for the 2018-2020 Biennium.

CLOSE OF FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION

MORNING TEA

FIFTH BUSINESS SESSION 10.40 AM

45. CREDENTIALS REPORT
Alison Grant Credentials Chairman presented the Credentials Report:
Elected District Officers – 8, Accredited Delegates – 32, Accredited Proxies – 0
Total Voting Members this session – 40

MOVED THAT THE REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE BE ADOPTED.
Moved: Ashburton
Seconded: Wellington
Carried

46. CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

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MOVED THAT THE CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE RECORD BE ACCEPTED
Moved: Mangawhai
Seconded: Thames Valley
Carried

47. ZI CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE REPORT
District 16 Centennial Committee Chairman, Barbara Pope, presented the report on behalf of the ZI Centennial Committee.
48. LAUNCH OF THE DISTRICT HISTORY BOOK
Governor Janet Hope- presentation to District Historian and Archivist, Jennifer Loughton, with a copy of the book and heartfelt thanks to all those people who had helped in achieving the end goal of publishing the book. The process started back in 2008, so it was a long process to its conclusion.
Jennifer Loughton responded, also acknowledging the work of the Centennial & Semi-Centennial Committee.
A copy was presented to Zonta International Representative Hsin-hsin Yang. Governor Janet also thanked and acknowledged work done by Past District Governor Lynette Grave.

49. WOMEN’S EMPOWERMENT PRINCIPLES PANEL
Past District Governor Janette Irvine introduced this session and the panellists. Kerry Maw-Smith - Chair UN Women spoke on background from UN Women’s Perspective on the 7 Principles of WEPS. Olive Wallis - Partner KPMG, spoke to Principle 2; Clare Evans - Partner Lane Neave, spoke to Principle 2 & 6 and gave a general overview of remaining 5 Principles. A short question time, facilitated by PDG Janette Irvine, allowed interaction between panel and conference attendees.
Thanked by Lt Gov Souella Cumming

50. Awardees
JMK 2016 District 16 & ZI Awardee Sarah-Michelle Washer
Introduced: Gwenda Pennington from the Zonta Club of Hamilton-Waikato

Sarah-Michelle briefly addressed Conference.
Thanked by Anne McMurtrie, District JMK Scholarship Chairman.
Governor Janet spoke to the new sponsorship arrangement with Kepa Financial Services Ltd for the District JMK Scholarship and the YWPA Award, the first beneficiary being the 2017 YWPA awardee.

YWPA 2017 District 16 and ZI Awardee Emilly Fan
Introduced by Margaret Coe from the Zonta Club of Auckland North Shore.

Emilly Fan briefly addressed the Conference.
Governor Janet presented Emilly Fan with her International and District 16 YWPA Award certificates, and her District 16 award and cheque.
Thanked by Barbara Stewart, District YWPA Chairman
51. CALL TO CONVENTION
Helen Carter Area 5 Director extended an invitation to attend Convention in Yokohama, Japan in June 2018, short promotional video shown.

52. CALL TO CONFERENCE
Lt. Governor Souella Cumming extended an invitation to members to attend the Australasian combined Districts Conference 2019 to be held in Brisbane, Australia and showed a brief presentation.

CLOSE OF FIFTH BUSINESS SESSION

53. CLOSE OF CONFERENCE
Governor Janet summarised the highlights of the Conference. She thanked the Conference Chairman Wendy Almond and the Christchurch Committee Gabby Irvine, Linda Nutt, Marilou Crequer, Rebecca Sewell, Agnes White, Melissa Haberfield, and all the other Christchurch members for their contribution; the other clubs who had taken on Conference roles: Christchurch South, Waimakariri, Marlborough, Ashburton; Hsin-hsin Yang for her contribution and support; the Nominating Committee; and the Sudima Hotel especially Andrea, the staff, both on the catering and organisational teams. Hamish, our IT expert from Shipleys.

Governor Janet also thanked the Conference Sponsors again for their generous support: Principal Sponsors – Southern Trust and KPMG. Other Sponsors include– Robert Purchas & Associates, Carter Valuations Ltd, Ballantynes, Michael Nutt Marketing, Bay of Many Coves and Distinction Hotels

Lt. Governor Souella Cumming thanked Governor Janet for the huge amount of work that she had undertaken over the 2016-2018 Biennium and in organising the District 16 Conference.

Governor Janet then declared the 14th Biennium Conference closed.

54. RETIREMENT OF THE FLAGS
Governor Janet invited Lt. Governor Souella Cumming to retire the flags.

Signed as a true and correct record

Governor

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Date