

Zonta Club of Laramie
General Meeting Minutes
January 23, 2014
Hilton Garden Inn

- I. **Program:**
 - a. Amelia legacy through scholarship and advancement of education of women presented by Sarah and Sierra from Z Club
 - b. Denise Parrish present from Cheyenne Zonta Club to speak about their primary fundraiser, Cheyenne Ladies' Night Out March 7 at Little America \$50/ticket, deadline for purchase is Feb 27 and all Laramie Club Members are invited
 - c. Introduction of new members Megan and Lisa as well as guest Kim
- II. **Call to Order:** President Kosach called the meeting to order at 6:33pm.
- III. **Review Agenda:** no questions or concerns were raised by the club. The meeting was unanimously approved to continue.
- IV. **Secretary's Report:** President Kosach noted the minutes from the November, 2013 meeting were on the tables for the club to review. Ashley Schluck moved to accept the minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Effie Bader. The minutes were unanimously approved by the club.
- V. **Treasurer's Report:** President Kosach noted that the Club and Foundation accounts were on the tables for review. The financial statements were approved to be filed for audit.
- VI. **Standing Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Membership:** Amber McKee states that there have been 8 new members recently to join; reports that instead of a membership social this spring, the emphasis is going to be to attend the spring activities and bring one or 2 friends to participate
 - b. **Advocacy:** Tasha Bauman noted that the Zonta "says no!" campaign was a success especially the self-defense class. Members turned their Facebook pages orange in recognition of sexual assault awareness. There will be a presentation with Z Club to raise awareness of sexual assault among teens. The February presentation will promote heart health and healthy living styles for members.
 - c. **Public Relations:** No Report
 - d. **Scholarships:** Angela Ver Ploeg reports that all available scholarships are on the website and emails have been sent. There are currently 5 scholarships (Amelia Erhart, Jane

Klausman, Woman of Promise, Young Woman in Public Affairs, and Endowment from LCCC)

- e. **ZI Ambassadors:** Bonnie Robertson presented that 14 Club members donated tributes for a total of \$660 that has been given to the Zonta International Foundation
 - f. **Suited for Success:** Elaine Schumaker stated one donation in December and also brought to the Clubs attention request from the Lion's Club requests for local community service nominees. The club discussed this to be a good project for Service Committee next year, 2014-15
 - g. **Service Committee:** Sarah Hellevang reminded committees that have volunteer hours to please email them to Lori Kirk for tracking. Tasha Bauman added that she submitted Laramie Club for the District 12 Service Award nomination for the Self-Defense class last fall.
 - h. **Z Club:** Jennica reports that Z Club members will be hosting a baby shower in Tamara's honor with all donations to go to SAFE project; also making orange bracelets saying "LHS says no" to raise awareness of sexual assault
 - i. **New Z's:** no report.
 - j. **Club History/Archives:** Ms. Boysen reported that the Committee is still working on notebooks for the club history starting from 1975 and requests all members to give her any archival reports, pictures, news articles, etc especially from last year. These albums will then be submitted to the American Heritage Center
 - k. **CLIMB:** no report.
 - l. **Holiday Open House:** Mary Mountain reporting over 600 community members attending and thanks the Zonta volunteers
 - m. **Salvation Army Bell Ringing:** Patty Butler thanked volunteers
 - n. **Area 2:** Laramie Club will be hosting the Area 2 meeting in April.
- VII. **Fundraiser Updates:**
- a. **Style Show:** Effie Bader reports that currently \$3500 has been raised with up to \$4000 expected. She states that Member participation was only 50%
 - i. President Kosach reported that the Board discussed and decided to place future hosting of the Style Show fundraiser due to progressively deteriorating participation by stores, members, and community. Instead the club will look forward to a change which a potential being a fall Masquerade Ball possibly for Halloween.

- ii. Other members discussed some disappointment in the decision, other stated excitement in a change with potential to increase overall participation and hopefully increase fundraising. Dennis Parrish noted difficulty with Cheyenne Club change of major fundraiser that was challenging, but has turned into a positive
 - b. **Holiday High Tea:** Ms. Ockers reported that the Holiday High was a big success with \$310 raised.
 - c. **Rose Day:** Ms. Frazier reported that Rose Day order sheet have been emailed and also on the tables. Orders due by the Feb 27th General Meeting, with assembly on March 9 at Poppies and delivery March 10th.
 - d. **5K:** President Kosach reports for Ms. French that 5K will be on Mothers' Day. There is a meeting this Monday 1/27 at The Grounds
- VIII. **New Business:** All committees are asked to submit budget requests. Advocacy, Service, and Membership submit to Wendy King, all other committees submit to Martha Reich
- IX. **Old Business:** none.
- X. **Announcements:** none.
- XI. **50-50 Raffle:** Susan Steiner won the raffle
- XII. **Adjournment:** there was no further business to discuss and no objection to adjourning the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:26pm.