



ZONTA INTERNATIONAL -- DISTRICT 12
CLUB ANNUAL REPORT
Reporting Period: June 1, 2020—May 31, 2021

Please email to Governor Ann Hodgson (johnannhodgson@att.net) by May 15, 2021 with a copy to your Area Director.

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Club Administration 2020-2021:

Zonta Club of Southern Black Hills____
 Area: One

Today's Date: May 16, 2021

President: Laura Burden
 Talley
 Vice President: _____
 Treasurer: Sherry Raffaell

President-Elect (if appropriate): Donna
 Secretary: Eburn Adelona

Incoming Club Officers 2021-2022:

President: _Donna Talley_

 Vice President: Marianne Fridell
 Treasurer: Laura Burden
 Board of Directors: Li Fjerstad, Juli Ames Curtis

President-Elect (if appropriate):
 Secretary: _Eburn Adelona

Membership:

Please describe your club's recruitment and retention efforts for 2020-2021. Including new member orientation and mentors.

_Our membership took a hit as 5 members left us. Each one that left had personal reasons that did not appear to be related to the dynamics of the club. The Covid 19 effect appeared to have a number of women seeing that they were too involved with activities and that they should be decreasing their participation in activities. Several did note that they would be available to assist with specific projects. We did develop a slideshow that provides an orientation for potential new members. This slideshow was beneficial to the group as we learned more about ourselves and stretched our technology skills. Although we did gain 4 new members, it was not specifically related to the orientation slideshow but rather the inclusion of them in the last 2 months preceding the end of the year.

How does your club measure membership satisfaction?

__We do not have a formal measure for membership satisfaction. We are small enough that a survey cannot be anonymous so conversations appear to be the most effective for our time constraints and size.

Fundraising:

Please list the major fundraising events your club held during 2020-2021.

__ We once again obtained sponsors for the Zonta Club of the Southern Black Hills Planner for the community business phone book. As we look to expand membership, we have obtained more sponsors in neighboring communities instead of just Custer area. This expansion plus the aggressiveness of a few members to get additional sponsors in the Custer area led to an increase in money made for this project.

__ We also sponsored the LunaFest Film Festival. It was originally scheduled for April but was postponed to October with a more Covid 19 safe environment. So, with corporation sponsorship and vendor fees, we did make a slight profit but it was less than this event has provided in previous years. _

__ We raised \$800.00 by holding a raffle to raise funds for legal fees for the women receiving services from the Women Escaping A Violent Environment. (W.E.A.V.E.)

Total Funds Raised this year: Approximately \$10,050

Local Service & Scholarships Dollars Given:

Please list the contribution amounts given by your club during 2020-2021.

Local Service Organizations: \$4,300

Local Scholarships: \$1,500

Total Local: _____\$5,800_____

Zonta International Foundation (ZIF) Dollars Given:

Please list the total club & individual contributions given to the Zonta International Foundation during 2020-2021.

(Carol Leffler lefflergc@comcast.net can provide this information to you). ZI recommends that one third of the money your club raises be contributed to ZI to support the international service projects.

Total Club Contributions
\$600.00_

Total Individual Contributions:
\$240.00

Total Club & Individual Contributions: __\$840.00

The information below will be used to determine the District Service Award to be given out at the 2021 District 12 Conference.

Local Service: (Hands on work to help women & girls in the local community)

Please name and briefly describe your local service projects, including for each item:

- (a) category: improved the status of women in general (legal, political, economic, educational, health and/or professional) or helped prevent and fight violence against women and girls (VAW).
- (b) % of club members involved in the project.
- (c) visibility and credibility to Zonta created by the project
- (d) sustainability of the project (long lasting results, and could the project continue for a certain period of time)

_____ For the first time, we set up a raffle to raise money for legal fees for shelter victims. This advocacy to fight violence through legal means involved finding a donated art work and selling tickets to the public. We needed to explain the need for the legal fees and the ways in which Zonta is involved with this type of work. About 25% of the membership was involved. The WEAVE shelter board of directors were also involved in selling tickets.

———For Yellow Rose Day, we got Mayoral Proclamations for Zonta Yellow Rose Day with recognition of the essential workers at the convenience stores and the grocery stores with yellow roses being given to each of those settings. (The Custer Mayor stated that of all of the proclamations in his 4 years of being mayor, this one was the most worthy...)

Other Service Questions:

What like-minded organizations have you partnered with for service and/or advocacy? Please list and briefly describe how you partnered with them.

_____ Related to the Covid 19 restrictions, there were not as many opportunities for this this year. We partnered with WEAVE-the local women’s shelter to march for the Fall awareness campaign.

—We also supported a senior high school student with \$200.00 so she could get her program of making backpacks for homeless women started.

—We gave \$175 dollars to the American Legion to sponsor a junior girl in high school for participation in Girls’ State.

Z-Club or Golden Z-Club:

Does your club sponsor a Z Club? Yes No Does your club sponsor a Golden Z Club? Yes No

If yes, please describe key events held during the year.

Zonta International Scholarship Information:

- **YWPA-Young Women in Public Affairs Awards**

Did your club participate in the YWPA program? Yes No

Please list the name of the candidate(s) forwarded by your club to the district for this award.

- **Jane M. Klausman Women-in-Business Scholarships (JMK)**

Did your club participate in the Jane M Klausman program? Yes No

Please list the name of the candidate(s) forwarded by your club to the district for this award.

- **Amelia Earhart Fellowships**

Did your club celebrate Amelia Earhart Day? Yes No

If yes, please describe how your club celebrated this year.

 We posted Amelia information on our Facebook page Because of restrictions, we were not able to carry out the activities of original planning but this did lead to plans for a bigger celebration next year.

- **Women in Technology Scholarship (WIT)**

Did your club participate in the Women in Technology program? Yes No
Please list the name of the candidate who received an award from your club.

Local Scholarship Information:

Local Scholarships awarded by your club

Name(s), description(s) and amount(s) of scholarship(s):

_____1. Helen B. Davis Scholarship Seniors in the area high schools are eligible to apply. We were able to give \$1,000 to be awarded at the beginning of the second semester of the freshmen year.

_____2. The Non-Traditional Women's Scholarship is awarded to women that have had a more circuitous route to higher education. This scholarship can be used for daycare, gas mileage, books or other expenses that are not covered by other sources of money. This year, we gave \$500.00 to a women that needed a special course in child development in order to work at a daycare.

The advocacy information below will be used to determine the District Advocacy Award to be given out at the 2021 District 12 Conference.

Advocacy: The expression of support for or opposition to a cause, argument or proposal. Advocacy may include influencing laws, legislation, or attitudes. Zonta advocacy is an action taken in "the public interest" or for "the greater good" with respect to advancing the status of women and girls and their human rights.)

Does your club have an advocacy committee? Yes One of the new members is interested in developing this role.

(Do Not Include Zonta Says No Activities Here - See Below)

Please name and describe your advocacy projects, including for each item:

(a) Category: improved the status of women in general (legal, political, economic, educational, health and/or professional) **or** helped prevent and fight violence against women and girls (VAW).

- (b) How closely the project coincided with the advocacy definition above.
 - (c) % of club members involved in the project.
 - (d) Names of any community partners.
 - (e) Visibility and credibility to Zonta created by the project.
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_____ We were able to feature Lily Mendoza and her presentation about the culture surrounding the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women at our Lunafest. This program assisted the community to be aware of the problems unique to the Indigenous culture plus increasing how the white culture is also in a similar situation. 50% of members were involved with getting the presentation to the public. One of the new members joined our club when she realized this is the type of work we do.

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Zonta Says No:

Describe your club's Zonta Says No activities in 2021 - 2021.

_____ We had facebook announcements of each of the ZI presentations.

Other Advocacy questions:

What women's issues have been identified as the most important in your club?

_____ Domestic violence has been the current area of interest.

How have club members been made aware of legislation relevant to women in our country?

_____ Informally, members have discussed the information that Denise Parrish provides at the area meetings. _____

Leadership & Leadership Development 2020-2021:

If your club conducted training for board members, committee chairs or members please describe.

___ Not formally

What training opportunities / workshops have your club leaders and members participated in through ZI website, District 12 online, at Area Meetings or District Conferences?

___ We have attended the Presidents, Secretary, and Treasurer inservices.

Does your club have a long range plan that includes succession planning for future leaders in club? Yes No

If yes, please describe (and provide copy to Governor and Area Director).

Describe any leadership challenges and needs that could be addressed by training.

___I'm not sure how it is in other clubs. In our club, the more formal days of sitting down and having a meal together while having a business meeting are out. Our small bunch of women are also doing other functions such as caring for aging parents, taking shelter victims to the doctor, going on vacations, and not being able to travel 45 minutes for a meeting. This leads to a change in the culture of the group. This may be one reason we have lost at least one of the members as she is still loving the old culture that we haven't been able to keep. This may be an area of training but who knows, maybe other folks are balancing things differently.

United Nations:

Please describe how your club informed its membership of Zonta's work with the United Nations (i.e., CSW, Sustainable Development Goals, etc.)

___Have to admit we are sticking pretty much to the ZI projects and have not been informing much United Nation information. We do have a new member that would be great at this role._

External Communications/Public Relations:

Please check box for the PR tools your club uses:

Brochure Newsletter Club or Individual Business Cards Website Facebook
Information from ZI toolkits Other (describe)

Did the club submit a "Share your Story" through the Zonta International Website this year? Yes No
If yes, briefly describe.

Internal Communications (e.g., club newsletter, directory, website):

Please describe how your club kept its membership informed & connected this year.

___ We have active email conversations with Zoom meetings being much more frequent now.

Website:

Does your club have a club website Yes No Is it associated with the D12 website? Yes No

If no, what is your club website address? ___ According to the zonta.org site, we have a website but I'm not familiar with it! _

Is the information on your website updated regularly? Yes No

When did your club last update your website? ___??

ZFW Ambassador:

Does your club have a Foundation ambassador? Yes No

Does your club give an annual donation to Zonta International Service Projects? Yes No

How has your club encouraged individual donations this year to ZFW? Please describe.

___ We haven't.

Archiving & History:

Does your club have an archivist/historian? Yes No *MAYBE* Is your club history current? No.
We are looking to move some scrapbook information to an electronic state

Is your club history available on your website? Yes No Not sure

Does your club send items to the District 12 historian for archiving (e.g. Board and Club minutes, newsletters, etc.)

Yes No But we could start

Bylaws:

Are your bylaws up to date in accordance with Zonta International bylaws? Yes No Our June retreat is designed to update the bylaws

Successes, Achievements and Challenges:

What have been your club's successes and achievements in 2020 - 2021?

We managed to sell more sponsorships and raise more money than ever before with the planner fundraiser.

We took on a new raffle project and raised \$800.00 for victim's legal fees.

We managed to hold the Lunafest during the pandemic in a new location without losing money!

What have been your club's challenges in 2020 - 2021?

Having enough members to get the jobs done.

How did you meet those challenges?

We are still a club and we got some new members that are excited about what's happened before and how they can contribute. The free floating idea shares are wonderful as members know how to solve problems.

Are there specific areas for which your club needs help? Yes No

If yes, what areas?

Probably but we are busy enough and satisfied enough to not know what type of help we need...

Is there anything else your club would like to address?

Thank You!