Archive Report for Zonta D4 Board Consensus Agenda For Conference Call Meeting January 11, 2014 Prepared by Gail R. Willsky, D4 Archivist (2012-2014)

History Reports Status:

We have a history committee: Maureen Hayman from Hamilton II is liaison for the clubs in Areas 1 and 2. Kathi Scanlon of Hamburg-Orchard Park is liaison for Areas 4 and 6, while Carol Kowalik is liaison for Areas 3 and 5. Gail will be liaison to the Buffalo Club and would like to express her sincere thanks to our history committee volunteers. Gail has collected the relevant information from the ZI website and distributed it to the committee members.

Here is the calendar for histories from the ZI Centennial Anniversary Committee (CAC):

May 1 2014 Brief histories of all clubs (500-1000) words to District Archivist/Historian May 1, 2016- Expanded Brief Histories or full histories due to District Archivist/Historian May 1, 2016 – Brief History of District due to ZI.

New action items:

- 1. The history committee will first determine who is writing the history for each club and will try to ensure that the Brief club histories, requested by ZI, will be collected by May 1, 2014.
- 2. The District Board should suggest that if the club was part of the original Zonta Consortium in 1919 (Buffalo, Rochester and Erie) or chartered prior to 1935 (Geneva, Hamilton I, Jamestown, Kenmore, Lockport, Olean, Pittsburgh, Tonawandas, Toronto, and Warren) a full history be prepared by 2016. These histories will cover the early growth of Zonta through its internationalization and up to the influence of the destabilizing international situation leading to World War II. The next club in the district was chartered in 1951. ZI suggests that the full history be done only if suggested by the Club board. The current archivist, Gail Willsky is suggesting that the D4 Board show support for the preparation of full histories of the early clubs. Of course any club that wishes to prepare a full history should be encouraged to do so.
- 3. Governor Lee should emphasize the importance of preparing the club histories for the clubs in District 4 in the next Governor's message to the District.

Held over action items:

- A. Gail will provide info from the D4 archives to the clubs about their history. She will prepare the information from the current Biennium for deposit in the archives by Fall. She will get Governor Lee's correspondence after June 1.
- B. Gail will brief the new D4 archivist on the state of the D4 archives and the expectations of ZI for D4 brief history preparation by 2016.
- C. All workshop organizers for 2013 and 2014 should send all workshop programs to Gail for archiving.