



Title: Z & Golden Z Clubs Report
From: Nancy Zilvytis, Lucille DiSanto
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To: The Zonta International District 4 Board

Purpose of the report (please mark as many as applicable):

For Information For Discussion For decision

Facts (Information)

This section can contain activities since the last report, factual information to be brought to the Board regarding issues from Clubs or from Committees, other matters.

If the report is a follow-up to a previous report, refer to the date, title, and decisions of the previous report.

Initiative	Specific Actions	Highlights/Challenges
Recognize student club efforts: Z & Golden Club Biennial District Awards	Z & Golden Club Biennial District Awards were given to Central Peel SS Z Club and McMaster University Golden Z Club. Each club receives \$250 US and a certificate. These will be presented at the District Conference in September.	Highlights: The awards encourage student clubs to think of projects to spread the word about women’s issues. Challenges: In spite of the fact that the award information was sent to Zonta cub contacts for student clubs, these two clubs, which are both deserving of an award, were also the only ones to apply. We need to work on getting more clubs to apply since there were many worthwhile projects which were done.
Recognize student club efforts: Zonta International Emma Conlon Award	North Park Z Club, sponsored by the Zonta Club of Brampton-Caledon won 3 rd place for this International award, receiving \$250 US and a certificate.	Highlights: The award will be presented at D4 September Conference.
Combine D4 Z & Golden Club Biennial Awards	The two biennial club awards, one for Z Clubs and one for Golden Z Clubs will be combined from now on. There will also be only one individual student award.	Rationale: University/College Golden Z Clubs have been difficult to sustain so as of June 2019, we are down to one Golden Z Club in District 4. Combining the two levels of student clubs for awards will be a cost saving of \$500 US per biennium. Total cost for Z & Golden Z Awards will now be \$500 total
Educate Zonta clubs about Z & GZ clubs	Nancy Zilvytis, Margaret Geare and Daisy Waters lead table talks at each of the 3 spring workshops to let clubs know the benefits of student clubs and how to start them.	Highlights: Attendees seemed interested while at the tables. Two Zonta clubs contacted us for more information since the workshops. Lucille has given a presentation, answered questions and is continuing to communicate with them. Challenges: It is difficult to find teachers to lead the student clubs. Perhaps recruiting teachers

		to join Zonta Clubs, would result in more Z Clubs being started. At the College/University level, it is difficult to find students who have the time to start clubs.
Golden Z Clubs very difficult to sustain.	<p>The Golden Z Club at Sheridan College, under the name of “Women In Business” and sponsored by the Zonta Club of Brampton-Caledon is folding.</p> <p>The Golden Z Club of Guelph Humber, sponsored by the Zonta Club of Toronto, has folded but may start up again.</p> <p>York University – a former Z Club member wanted to start a Golden Z Club at York University</p>	<p>Challenges: Sheridan - Teacher leader has too few resources to support several clubs so has restructured clubs under “business associations”. This campus offers 2 year programs so it is difficult to keep interest and to recruit yearly.</p> <p>Highlight: Sheridan - Although there is no Golden Z Club the students will continue to focus on women’s issues and related projects, self-defence, work with women’s shelters</p> <p>Challenges: Guelph Humber - The Golden Z Club at Guelph Humber was only 2 years old when a strike occurred at the college level in Ontario. Student lives were disrupted, causing the club to fold.</p> <p>Highlight: Guelph Humber – Nancy has very recently been in contact with a former Z Club student from Brampton-Caledon who is planning to attempt to start a Golden Z Club at Guelph Humber.</p> <p>Challenges: York University – The student found there were other clubs focussing on women’s issues so she would not get the support to start a Golden Z Club.</p>
Comments		

Motion

This section includes the motion (s) if any for the Board to discuss and vote on.

Rationale

This section includes the rationale of the motion

**Evaluation
(Discussion)**

As board member, and voice of Clubs and committees, express the pros and cons of the motion (s) presented.

Please be clear about:

- The challenge the proposal addresses
- Stakeholders who will benefit and how
- Added value to Zonta

**Supporting
Documentation**

List any attachments to be considered as part of this report.