



## Business Meeting – Louis Riel Room-Brandon University; Tuesday, January 21, 2025

**# of Members Present: 18 # of Guests Present: 0**

**Call to Order: 12:04 pm.** Pres. Sheila Atkinson – National Anthem; Prayer; Mission – Kiwanis 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Started in Detroit Michigan, 1915. The organization was originally called the Supreme Lodge Benevolent Order of Brothers, and its purpose was its purpose was the mutual exchange of preferred treatment in professional and business dealings. The first Canadian Kiwanis Club was in Hamilton, Ontario, started in 1916. Kiwanis became worldwide in 1962, allowed women to join in 1987. Sue Petrisin became the first woman to lead Kiwanis International in 2015.

**Executive present:** President Sheila Atkinson, Past President Tony Reid, Treasurer Reg Atkinson, Secretary Shirley Scott

**Secretary's Minutes:** November 19, 2024 business meeting minutes were emailed to everyone. No errors or omissions. **Minutes adopted by Keith Scott, seconded by Hugh Cowan**

**Treasurer's Report:** Reg Atkinson – Membership dues coming in. We now have 40 paid members and subsidize our dues by approximately \$2,000. Just over \$11,000 has been turned in from the sale of coupon books. Printing costs are \$2,419. Total costs are \$2,430.

\$450 for Christmas Cheer expenses were paid from special projects, and there is \$7,500 left in the special projects budget.

There is \$4,000 in the Youth and Community budget.

Navy cadets is a line item and the budget for that is \$500.

**Reg moved his report. Seconded by Frank Thomas. Carried**

**Human & Spiritual Values:** Lynn Lonstrup – Sad news and condolences on the loss of Gerald Barnes from our Brandon Kiwanis Club. Also condolences to Cecil Foster on the loss of his brother. Birthday wishes to John Huston and Lynn Lonstrup.

**Bike Auction Report:** Keith Scott – the next auction will be held April 26<sup>th</sup> in the Curling Club of the Keystone Centre. There will be approximately 150 bikes. We will be hiring the same fellow for that sound system that was used at the 2024 Kar Derby. The auctioneer still needs to be confirmed.

**Coupon Book Committee Report:** Doug Corder, D'Arcy Barker – Neither at meeting but very few books are left to be sold.

**President's Report:** Sheila Atkinson – Sheila and Reg have been working of the Signature project contest, where we could win \$2,000 for a project that is done annually, to either raise money or for a community event. Because the Kar Derby covers both areas, that was chosen to be submitted.

**New Business:** President Sheila Atkinson reported that there is a new Kiwanis club being started in Neepawa. Our Western Division Governor McKenna Begin Coran has contacted Sheila requesting our

support and help for the new club. They will be having an organizing meeting on April 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30. The Neepawa group will be mostly business owners and professionals to start. Volunteers to provide assistance to get the club started: Sheila and Reg Atkinson, Lynn Lonstrup, Tony Reid, Frank Thomas, Fatima Momoh, Keith & Shirley Scott.

Suggested by Hamid that we invite them to attend our club meetings to get an understanding as to how we run our meetings and activities.

Shirley volunteered our Zoom.us account so we can meet virtually . Fatima also suggested a WhatsApp group so we can have a running dialogue.

Western Canada Kiwanis will contribute \$500, and Kiwanis International will contribute \$1,500 to the new club to help them get started. The fees for the members have been set at \$220.

**Motion by Reg Atkinson that we assist the new club as we see fit. Seconded by Hamid. Carried**

**Motion by Shirley Scott that we donate the extra bell, gavel, gavel stand and podium (that was given to us by the Assiniboine Kiwanis Club when they closed) to the new Neepawa club, with the condition that if the new does not get started, that those items be returned to us. Seconded by Hugh Cowan. Carried**

**Social & Interclub Committee Report:** Cecil Foster – no report

**House & Reception Committee Report:** Peter Lonstrup – no report

**Website Management Committee Report:** Frank Thomas – no report

**Membership Committee Report:** Duncan Waddell – no report

**Youth & Community Committee Report:** John Huston – no report

**Speaker Programs Committee Report:** Tony Reid – no report

**Special Projects Committee Report:** Hamid Mumin – no report

**Public Relations Committee Report:** Tony Reid/David Paul – no report

**Fundraising Committee Report:** Doug Corder & D’Arcy Barker – no report

**Marketing Committee Report:** no report

**Risk Management Committee Report:** D’Arcy Barker – no report

**Christmas Cheer Registry Committee Report:** Bev Monk – no report

Meeting adjournment: 1:00 Duncan Waddell; Seconded by Tony Reid. Carried

50/50 draw: \$14 – Bob Keffen

**Next Meeting:** Regular meeting Tuesday, February 4th, 2025 at 11:45am.

Submitted by Shirley Scott

**What's happening at Kiwanis (Meeting every second Tuesday at 11:45 PM in the Lois Riel Room at Brandon University)**

**Some members meet at an informal 10AM coffee session on Monday, Thursday and Friday at McDonalds on Victoria**

- **September 10 – speaker Karen Skinner & Kurt Schoultz- Chat GPT Artificial Intelligence**
- **September 14 – Corn Roast at Reg's**
- **September 24 – business meeting**
- **October 8 – Speaker – Enver Naido – Westman Immigrant Services**
- **October 22 – Business meeting**
- **November 5 – Speaker Brandon City Police Chief Tyler Bates**
- **November 19 – Business meeting**
- **December 3 – Speaker – Lucie Ledhendler – Curator a of the art Gallery of Southwestern Manitoba**
- **December 11 – Christmas Luncheon**
- **December 17 – Business meeting **CANCELLED****
- **January 7 – Speaker – Hamid Mumin**
- **January 21 – Business meeting**
- **February 4 – Michelle Solonyczny – ByLaw Officer and our Bike Contact Lady**
- **February 18 – Business meeting**
- **March 4 – Speaker – Fatima Momoh – Alizas Care**
- **March 18 – Business meeting**
- **April 1 – Speaker – Emmy Sanderson (Executive Director) from the Brandon Downtown Biz**
- **April 15 – Membership Meeting?**
- **April 26 – Bike Auction**
- **April 29 – Business meeting**
- **May 13 – Speaker – Grant Hamilton – Tour de France**
- **May 27 – Business meeting**
- **June 7 – Kar Derby**
- **June 10 – Speaker**
- **June 24 – Business meeting**