



Kin Canada
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District 4



District 4 Convention 2025

Minutes

Thursday, June 19, 2025

Optional: Writing on Stone Tour

Registration (Lobby)

Meet and Greet/Fellowship (Essie's Boardroom)

Friday, June 20, 2025

Registration (Outside Grand Ballroom 3rd floor)

Breakfast

Opening Ceremonies

- Welcome from Councillor Nick Paladino
- Land Acknowledgment
- O' Canada
- Kin Song
- Moment of Silence for Departed Kin – video
- Return of Kinette Governor Chain of Office
 - Donation to Not4Sale
 - Patrick Dower for \$20
 - Ponoka Kinsmen for \$100
- Host Committee Welcome
- Governor Remarks

Service Projects in the Community

Lunch (Main Ballroom)

District 4 Foundation AGM (Poplar Room III)

Education Sessions and Charity Tradeshow

- Money Talks: Demystifying Club Finances & the Latest AGLC Guidelines
- Find Your Fit: Discover Your Volunteer Superpower
- Little Moments, Lasting Change: Simple Practices to Enhance Your Wellbeing

Public Speaking Competition (Main Ballroom)

- Michelle Peebles, Kinette Club of Calgary

Renaissance Faire (Elk Community Recreation Area)

Saturday, June 21, 2025

(Wear your red and white)

Registration and Credentials and Roll Call Sign Up
Breakfast (New Member and First Timer Breakfast with Governors)

Call to Order

9:17 am

Address to the Chair: Governors Kirk and Hillary, fellow Kin and guests, may our discourse be merry, our motions swift, and our fellowship bountiful

Host Committee Remarks

- Thank you to:
 - Coaldale Kinsmen for pig roast
 - St. Albert Kinsmen for sponsoring coffee breaks
 - Medicine Hat Kinsmen for sponsoring corkage fees
 - Tent set up/take down team – Dustin, Danny, Mark, Steven, Brad
 - Drivers for service projects
 - Black Spears & Bird of Prey Foundation

Appointments

- Rules of Order – Corinne Mathews, National Board of Directors
- Credentials - Joanna Low, Kinette Club of Calgary
- Sergeant-At-Arms - Tim & his Merry Men, Kinsmen Club of Lethbridge

Introductions and Recognitions

Roll Call

- Red Deer Kinsmen
- Lethbridge Kinsmen/Coaldale Kinsmen
- Rocky Mountain House Kinsmen
- Stettler Kinettes
- Edmonton Kinettes
- Foothills Kinettes
- Airdrie Kin Club
- Okotoks Kin Club
- Calgary Kinettes
- Calgary Kinsmen

Reports

- Rules of Order – Corrine Matthews
- Credentials Report
 - 33 Accredited Delegates representing 526 members
 - Majority vote = 17
 - Moved by Bonnie Joseph for Drayton Valley Kin Club
 - Seconded by Robin Heppner, Leduc Kinsmen

Carried

Adoption of Agenda

- Moved by Doug Christiansen, St. Albert Kinsmen
- Seconded by Sharon Ossington, Claresholm Kinettes
 - Amendment – Tim Franz, Lethbridge Kinsmen to correct spelling of Corinne’s name in agenda.
 - Seconded by Alexandria Hanishewsky, Stampede City Kinettes

Carried
- Adoption of agenda Carried as amended

Adoption of Minutes from District Conference 2024

- Moved by Claudette Woodgate, Airdrie Kin Club
 - Seconded by Cassy Reeves, West Country Kinettes
- Carried

Resolution presented by Kinsmen Club of Medicine Hat

- Clarification requested regarding wording as relates to the District Board and their responsibility moving forward. A committee to be formed who will reach out to clubs for details such as Past Presidents, major projects, etc. Will only reporting back to the board with updates.
 - Moved by Cameron Kemp, Medicine Hat Kinsmen
 - Seconded by Bonnie Joseph, Drayton Valley Kin

Carried

Bring’n Kin Back Financials Presentation

- Slightly lower expenses than forecasted.
 - Total revenue \$63197.44. Expenses \$57413.90. Profit \$5783.54
 - Motion to accept as presented by Allan Bartman, Edmonton Kinsmen
 - Seconded by Ken Finnie, Medicine Hat Kinsmen
- Carried

Guest Speaker: Toby Boulet – The Logan Boulet Effect

First Call for Bids - NONE

- District Convention 2026
- District Bowling
- District Curling
- District Golf
- District Slo-Pitch

Club Support Presentation – Adam Lewandowski on behalf of Judy Bonner

2025/2026 District Governance Plan Presentation – presented by Jenny Jones, Patrick Dower, and Dustin Bisson

Vice Governors Elect

- One VG pair submitted paperwork prior to deadline

- 1 vote cast for Shandelle Goretski, Edmonton Kinette as Kinette Vice Governor
- 1 vote cast for Chris Howard, Camrose Kinsmen as Kinsmen Vice Governor

Presentations

- Kin Kampout – Theresa Potts
- National Convention - video
- FLC Presentations
 - Kinette FLC – Kinette Club of Edmonton - Theresa Potts/video
 - Kinsmen FLC – Kinsmen Club of Lethbridge – Tim Franz

Second Call for Bids

- District Convention 2026 - Stettler Kinsmen (Stettler Kinettes to help with decorations only! 🚂) – Ride the Rails, 80th Anniversary of the Stettler Kinsmen
- District Bowling – no bids
- District Curling – Coaldale Kinsmen
- District Golf – no bids
- District Slo-Pitch – Red Deer Kinsmen in conjunction with annual Slo-pitch tournament. Potentially have a Kin division. If you don't have a whole team, will put single registrants together.

National Vice President Candidate – Debbie Flagg

Service/Awards Luncheon – Paul Balite on behalf of Susan Dickson

- Service Award – The Foothills Kinette Club & Kinette Club of Calgary
- Leanne Wright Rose Bowl Award – Kinette Club of Edmonton
- Scotty MacDonald Traveling Gavel Award – Kinette Club of Edmonton
- Clubs of Distinction – Kinsmen Club of Lethbridge, Kinette Club of Fort McMurray, Kinette Club of Stettler
- Kin Ambassadors – Lynn Croft & Cameron James Kemp
- Hospitality Hero – Denver Chopek
- Kin Compass – Christina York
- D4 Rising Star – Alexandria Hanishewsky
- D4 Rising Club – Innisfail Kinsmen

I need a Dollar prize package entries/Not4Sale donations – won by St. Albert Kinsmen

- St. Albert Kinsmen - \$1500
- Stampede City Kinettes - \$2000
- Edmonton Kinettes - \$1000
- Wetaskiwin Kinettes - \$400
- West Country Kinettes - \$300
- Foothills Kinettes - \$300
- Camrose Kinsmen - \$500
- Edmonton Kinsmen - \$1000
- Red Deer Kinettes - \$200

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- Lethbridge Kinettes - \$500
- Leduc Kinsmen - \$1000
- Lethbridge Kinsmen - \$400
- Milk River Kinettes - \$1000

Guest Speaker: Dr. Zielke, Chinook Cardiology for Chinook Regional Hospital Foundation

National Presentations – Corrine Matthews, NBOD

- National budget
- NBOD presentation
- Kin Canada Foundation – video

Kin Kollege & Kin Masters Graduation – Facilitators Angela Dempster, Cameron Kemp, Patrick Dower, Jamie Hansen

Old Business

- Proposed Resolution to Amend District Bylaws, presented by Kinette Club of Stampede City and seconded by Kinsmen Club of Rocky Mountain House
 - Resolution withdrawn by Stampede City Kinettes
 - Rocky Mountain House Kinsmen concur

Introduction of 2025-2026 District Team KinLaboration

- March In
- Pin Exchange
- Oath of Office
- Budget Presentation – Kirk Blake
 - Moved by Walter Brake, Kinsmen club of Calgary
 - Seconded by Garth Brookwell, Kinsmen Club of High River
 - Motion for Amendment by Darren York, Ponoka Kinsmen – Based on Bring'in Back Kin team's financial report and given that there is a surplus of almost \$60,000 in reserves, move to reduce next year's dues by \$5 per member and rely on reserves, if required.
 - Seconded by Shiela Laverty, Brooks Kinettes
 - Three speakers spoke in favour of amendment; Three speakers spoke against amendment
 - Vote: 13 for, 18 opposed. Motion to amend defeated
 - Original budget motion - Carried
- Motion to retain Thorogood & Pinches as accountant
 - Moved by Kirk Blake, Stettler Kinsmen
 - Seconded by Dustin Bisson, Rocky Mountain House Kinsmen
Carried

Third Call for Bids

- District Convention 2026 – Stettler Kinsmen

- District Bowling - no bids
- District Curling – Coaldale Kinsmen
- District Golf – Edmonton Kinsmen
- District Slo-Pitch – Red Deer Kinsmen – June 5-7th, Blackfalds

New Business - none

Sgt-at-Arms report

- Immunity coins and fines raised - \$485
- Edmonton Kinettes pledged additional \$2000 to Not4Sale
- Ponoka increased pledge to \$500
- Coaldale Kinsmen pledged \$1000

Announcements and Good of Kin

- Edmonton Kinsmen invite all to their 100th Anniversary celebration. September 20th.
- Hanna Kinettes – draw for Hal Rogers print, won by Cameron Kemp
- Kirk Blake – thank you for putting your faith in me. Eternally grateful. Being a part of the District teams revitalizes commitment to Kin
- Adam Lewandowski – thank you to Theresa & Brad for all their help with SuperZones
- Clarence Lee – Life is tough, but Kin is so invigorating. Charges my battery/pumps my tires. Thank you for the miracle of Kin
- Ken Finnie – for the first 30 years in Kin, had no desire to be a part of anything beyond club. Thank You to Jenny for bugging the sh*t out of me to join their team
- Tannis – Okotoks Kin Club Show & Shine – August 17th
- Christian – Coaldale SummerFest – August 8-10th
- Shiela – small club, need some help with their casino August long weekend, Sunday & Monday. Brooks Kinsmen have Beef, Beer, BBQ draw on Thursday
- Barbie – Thank you to her club for recognizing her as Rookie of the year
- 50/50 - \$605 – proceeds split between the Food Bank & Not4Sale

Adjournment – 4:29pm

- Moved by Carol Knapp, Edmonton Kinettes
- Seconded by Delores Everson, Hanna Kinettes

Carried

Governor's Ball (Main Ballroom)

Cocktails

March In and Dinner Program

Awards:

- Public Speaking Award – Michelle Peebles
- Leanne Wright Rose Bowl Award – Kinetette Club of Edmonton
- Outstanding Kinetette Deputy Governor – Julie Melton
- Outstanding Kinsmen Deputy Governor – Adam Lewandowski

- Outstanding Executive – Nancy Johnson
- Neil Thorogood Fellowship Award – Patrick Dower