A meeting of the Capital District Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, February 22, 2006 at the Holiday Inn Select Fredericksburg with Governor Holley presiding.

Governor Holley welcomed those in attendance after which Trustee Laurent gave the invocation.

Trustee Weatherman was absent from the meeting.

The minutes of the previous Board Meeting were approved as circulated on motion by Trustee Varner, seconded by Trustee Roberson.

The Treasurer’s Report was then presented to the Board by Sec.-Treas. Stroup. It was moved by Trustee Roberson that the Treasurer’s Report be accepted as presented. Trustee Laurent seconded the motion and it carried.

Sec.-Treas. Stroup then reviewed the status of the Lt. Governors Reports, delinquent Official Monthly Club Reports, and unpaid District and International dues that are now past due.

Clubs with less than 15 members that had received letters directing them to develop growth plans were revisited on an individual basis as follows:

1. Southwest Washington – Has reached 17 members and will be removed from this list.

2. Bluefield – Met with club and club agreed to develop growth plan. It was moved by White, seconded by Varner to carry over until the June Board Meeting. The motion passed.

3. Brandywine Valley – Tag Team members met with club. President recognizes the needs of the club but has very few current members to rely on for help. While the Tag Team members are willing to assist, they see some problems that are going to be difficult to overcome and are not too optimistic about being able to surmount them. It was moved by White, seconded by Rudy, that they keep working with them until the June Board Meeting. The motion passed.

4. Buena Vista – Dudey moved to hold over until June due to the fact that there was no current information available on this club. The motion was seconded by Mann and the motion carried.

5. Greater Millsboro used a recruiting plan and reached 19 members. This club is to be removed from this list.

6. Taneytown – This club has worked with the Tag Team and are working on plans to find a new meeting place. In addition they are thinking in terms of changing the name to become more inclusive of the surrounding area in hopes that they can attract members from a larger
area. It was moved by Dudey, seconded by Mann, to continue working with the club and to discuss further in June. The motion passed.

7. Mt. Road – The Tag Team has met with this club and the club members have produced a growth plan. It was moved by Rudy, seconded by Laurent, that we follow with the club and see that the plan is used by the club.

8. Hampden Midtown – Dudey stated that he did not know that this club was on the list. He moved that he be permitted to work with this club in developing a growth plan and that it be held for discussion until the June meeting. The motion was seconded by Kane and was passed.

9. Rossmoor – It was pointed out that more time was needed to assist more in their growth plans. It was moved by Varner, seconded by Rudy, that it be held over until June for further review at that time. The motion carried.

10 Central Chesterfield has gotten back up to 17 members through their own recruitment exercise and should be removed from the list.

11. Leesburg and McLean – Both clubs have submitted aggressive growth plans. It was moved by Robinson, seconded by Kane, that they be given time to implement and carry out their plans in this regard. The motion passed.

12. Kiln Creek – It was pointed out that, even though they have tried to obtain new members, they have an identity problem. Several Tag Team members have tried to help with no real results. There are some members that believe they should relocate in to a more definable area. It was moved by Dudey, seconded by Mann, that they be given time and help in arriving at some conclusion by the June meeting.

13. Franklin – It was reported that the club has made some efforts at publicity in the local papers, but with little success. They had earlier been visited by the Tag Team, but declined further help at that time. Now they are receptive to help from the Tag Team. They are the only club in an isolated region, and have several good service projects going, including an active Key Club. Laurent recommended that the Tag Team help them with a rebuilding effort, with support from neighboring clubs in their Division.

14. Charles County – This club was not in the original group that received letters. The Board directed that a letter be sent to them.

Dudey suggested that we should also be looking at clubs with 15 to 20 members. After some discussion it was moved by Rudy, seconded by Laurent, that a more positive letter defining the potential pitfalls that they could be facing if their membership trend continues and also advising them that help is available to them in planning an approach to prevent further erosion of their membership. The motion passed.

Governor Holley said that she had several inquiries in regards to the District Go to Church Sunday. She told the Board that she wanted to see this program continue and that she had requested Booker McManus to contact the Naval Academy to try and schedule this event for May 14, 2006.
Governor Holley advised the Board that the Key Leader program had now been moved under Community Service by Kiwanis International. She instructed Chairman Riley to make the conforming changes in the Capital District Policy Statements.

Budget and Finance Committee Chairman Kane reported the outcome of the committee meeting held on February 4, 2006. He offered the following:

He moved a Committee recommendation that $6000 be added to the budget for District Committee use for the 2005-2006 administrative year. The motion was seconded by Rudy. The motion failed.

He moved a Committee recommendation that the Board rescind its motion of a prior Board meeting with regard to travel reimbursement from committee funds. The motion was seconded by Roberson and was passed.

He moved a Committee recommendation that the Budget for the Southwest Region Spring (Mid-Winter) Conference be approved. The motion was seconded by Rudy and was passed.

He advised the Board that the Committee recommended that money be taken from the Key Club ($42,000.00) and Circle K ($10,000.00) Savings accounts and reinvested in C D accounts. Secretary-Treasurer Stroup reported that this had been done and that he had gotten ten month CD’s at a 4.63% rate.

He pointed out to the Board that the Policy Statements required that the District Committee Chairman submit their budget requests for 2006-2007 through the Trustee by May 1. In view of the fact that the DLC will be held June 3, and that Committees may want to use that meeting to formulate programs and budgets, it is suggested by the committee that this date be changed to July 1. As stated in the District Bylaws, notification of proposed amendments to the District Policy Statements must be sent to each Board member fifteen (15) days prior to the Board Meeting. The Board instructed the District Secretary to send notice of the proposed amendment to each Board member and to then perform an electronic vote on the proposed amendment fifteen (15) days later.

A short discussion ensued in regards to surplus funds accumulated at Regional Mid-Winter Conferences. It was agreed by the Board members that these are District funds and that they are to be returned to the District Secretary-Treasurer for deposit in to the District account.

It was pointed out by Varner that since the Parliamentarian has to travel to Board meetings the same as the Trustees do, he moved that they be reimbursed the same as the Trustees are. The motion was seconded by Kane and was passed.

The filing as a candidate for Governor-elect by Thomas Ganse was then brought to the floor. Secretary-Treasurer Stroup laid out in step-by-step order the documents he had received in the District office. He pointed out that the information he had did not substantiate that the majority of the clubs in Division Twenty Two were in support of the would be candidate and, as a result, the filing did not meet the requirements to be a viable candidate that could be announced on Monday, February 4, 2006. After having made that judgment, Secretary Treasurer Stroup referred this matter
to the Bylaws and Policy Committee for a review of this case. The majority of the Bylaws and Policy Committee members concluded that the filing did not meet the requirements to be a candidate for Governor-elect. Ganse was notified of the results of the Bylaws and Policy Committee’s findings and was told that this would now have to go before the District Board for resolution. Further, that while the original issue was the timing for announcing the candidate from the District office, calls from members of the Division were contesting the filing because it had not come before the clubs in the Division. The Board was advised by Stroup that one member that called stated that this was a grievous offense and that, if the Board accepted this as a proper filing, he would present a grievance to the Executive Committee. Stroup also pointed out that a Kiwanian from another Region had discussed this with the Kiwanian from Division Twenty Two and that they would join in support of that grievance. As a way of heading off any further reaction from this, Secretary-Treasurer Stroup suggested to the Board that they should direct the Lt. Governor in Division Twenty Two to schedule a Division Council Meeting, notify the clubs of the meeting giving them time to have this matter brought before their clubs and having each club appoint three delegates to attend the Council Meeting for voting on this candidacy. Ganse then spoke to the Board. He claimed that he had written support in his hands from four of the clubs in the Division. The documents he provided were the same as those that had been received in the District Office. Governor-elect Cressy moved that Ganse go back to the Division clubs and obtain written support from the clubs, along with a letter of written support from the Lt. Governor of the Division, and that this documentation be sent to the District Secretary-Treasurer. Rudy seconded the motion and it passed.

White asked that the District announce Ganse’s candidacy once he did get qualified. He was advised that the District could not now announce his candidacy since that date had officially passed. He then moved that once a candidate does qualify that his credentials be posted on the web site with other candidates. Laurent seconded the motion and it passed.

Since there is a conflict between Section 10 C (3)(C) and Section 10 C(5)(B) of the District Policy Statements, it was moved by White, seconded by Roberson, that Section 10-5-B be suspended for 2005-2006. The motion carried. (This has been referred to the Chairman Bylaws and Policy Statements to be amended).

Administrator Stankus then presented the Key Club Convention Budget for approval. It was moved by Rudy, seconded by Governor-elect Cressy, that the budget be approved. The motion passed.

Chairman Riley then advised the Board of a discussion he had with Dennis Oliver in regards to the great needs for assistance in the recovery of Katrina damage in the South. He explained that possibly this could become a District project but that he would have to find out more about it. It was moved by White, seconded by Robinson, that Riley investigate further just how the District could fit in and report back to the Board. The motion passed.

Rudy reported that the Circle K Administrator had established a new Lt. Governor Position known as 22B and requested that the Board approve it. It was moved by Cressy, seconded by Stroup and was passed.

It was agreed among the Board members that they would retain the same portfolios that they now have and that the two newly elected Trustees would fill the ones their predecessors had. It was also agreed that they would not change Policy Committees.
It was moved by Trustee Roberson, seconded by Trustee Rudy, that the next Board Meeting be held in Fredericksburg, Virginia June 1, 2006. The motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted –
Ellis H. Stroup
District Secretary-Treasurer