The 66th Kansas District of Kiwanis House of Delegates
August 06, 2016, Wichita, Ks.

The 66th House of Delegates was called to order by Governor Warren Eckelman at 3:12pm. The District Secretary read the minutes from the 65th House of Delegates meeting. The minutes were approved on a motion by Ken Jarvis (Ellsworth), seconded by Dora Davis (Liberal).

The Credentials Report was presented by Rusty Thomas (Lawrence): with 74 clubs in the district, 48 clubs in attendance, 88 club delegates and 24 Delegates-at-Large for a total of 112 delegates. Rusty Thomas (Lawrence) moved for approval, Dave Hurrelbrink (Kansas City West) seconded and the motion carried on a voice vote.

Ken Kern (Osage City) moved to change the order of business to make the Treasurer’s Report the next order of business and to move the Resolutions of Appreciation to New Business. Dave Hurrelbrink (Kansas City West) seconded and the motion carried on a voice vote.

Doug Clark (Sabetha) presented the Treasurer’s Report which was distributed to attendees as they entered. Roger Musgrove (Meade) moved, and Greg Bender (Ellsworth) seconded approval. Motion passed.

Bylaws: Ken Kern (Osage City) outlined the procedures to be followed. The first change was a housekeeping recommendation required by Kiwanis International. Cindy Bender (Ellsworth) moved and Jo Schwartz (Abilene) seconded to accept the recommended change. Cindy Bender then deferred to Ken Kern for explanation and discussion. Having no further discussion, the motion passed on a voice vote.

Marcus Potter (Kansas City West) was recognized for the purpose of a bylaw proposal. On behalf of the Kiwanis Club of Kansas City West, he moved to increase District dues by $5 per member, effective October 1, 2017. Bill Donegan (Johnson County) seconded the motion. Marcus Potter then spoke in favor of the motion. John Martel (Pittsburg Sunflower) spoke against, and Bill Donegan then spoke in favor. Several questions were raised and answered by the presenter. Cindy Bender then spoke in favor of the motion. Having no further speakers, ballots were distributed, collected, and counted.

Elections: Secretary Rusty Thomas stated that all candidates for Vice Governor, Governor-elect, and Governor passed a Kiwanis International Background Check.

Treasurer – Robert Maxwell (Topeka) moved and Jan Maxwell (Topeka) seconded the nomination of Doug Clark (Sabetha). There were no other nominations. Dave Hurrelbrink moved a unanimous ballot be cast. Seconded by Marcus Potter. Doug was elected and thanked everyone for their support.

Vice Governor – Kenton Krehbiel (Thomas County, Colby) nominated Rick Dickman (Thomas County, Colby). Mary Hammond (Hays) seconded the nomination. There were no further nominations and Jan Maxwell moved a unanimous ballot be cast and this was seconded by Marcus Potter. Rick was elected and thanked everyone for their support.

Governor-elect – Robert Maxwell nominated Jan Maxwell. The nomination was seconded by Marcus Potter. John Fajen (Manhattan Solar) moved a unanimous ballot be cast. Seconded by Yvonne Poole (Emporia). Jan Maxwell was elected and made acceptance remarks.

Governor – Mary Hammond nominated and Kurt Rickert (Downtown Hutchinson) seconded the election of Cynthia Bender as Governor. Ken Jarvis moved a unanimous ballot be cast. Seconded by Nola Newcomer (Ellsworth). Cynthia Bender was elected and made acceptance remarks.
The results of the dues increase vote: The proposal required a 2/3 vote and this was achieved.

Old Business: Rock Springs – a check for $15,000 was presented earlier in the day to the 4-H Foundation. An additional $3,600 has been collected during the convention.

District Secretary Report – Announced the Manhattan Solar club would count as an Interclub during the Memorial Service on Sunday morning. The floor was then yielded to Dave Hurrelbrink for the purpose of pitching the 2017 International Convention in Paris, France.

Resolutions of Appreciation:

Ken Kern read and moved the adoption of Resolution #1 which thanked Kiwanis International Trustee and Counselor Chian Chu-Ching for his attendance and guidance during the convention. Tomi Foust (Hutchinson) seconded and a standing ovation vote followed.

Ken Kern then read and moved the adoption of Resolution #2 which was in honor of Rusty Thomas who was leaving as District Secretary at the end of the current year. There were multiple seconds and a standing ovation/vote followed. Rusty was presented a framed copy of the resolution. She then thanked the members of the district for their support.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Governor Warren Eckelman at 4:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rusty Thomas

District Secretary 2009 - 2016