MINNESOTA-DAKOTAS KIWANIS
“MINUTES”
District Convention 2015-2016 Board Meeting
Fergus Falls, MN
Friday, August 5, 2016

Members present:

Kent Hochgraber, Governor** (**District Kiwanis Board of Trustees Voting Members)
Peter Larson, Governor Elect**
Sharon Scudder, Immediate Past Governor**
Steve Handegaard, District Secretary/Treasurer**

Lt. Governors 2015-2016**
Wilfred Volesky Division 1
George French Division 2
Cal Saari Division 3
Mark Nelson Division 5
Jim Bock Division 6

Lt. Governors Elect 2015-2016
Rachael Disrud Division 2
Joe Hesch Division 3
Wes Garcia Division 5
Kathleen Welle Division 7

Immediate Past Lt. Governors 2015-2016
Gary Ochsner Division 1
Peter Larson Division 2
Dan Leikvold Division 4
Al Vanderlaan Division 5
Dennis Hier Division 6
Richard Odell Division 7

District Directors/Chairs/Administrators
Denis Cornell Administration Director
Colleen Hyde Education Director
Judie Rosendahl District Convention Director
Bill Daugherty Eliminate District Chair

Other Guests Present
Jason Stewart Circle K Administrator
Mary Beth Townsend Key Club Administrator
Jessie Ernster Key Club Governor
Chuck Schroeder Kiwanis International Foundation Chair
Jack Zierdt District Educational Foundation Sec/Treas
Peter Mancuso Kiwanis International Trustee/Counselor
• The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m. by Governor Kent Hochgraber.

• Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

• Moved and seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried. Cal Saari/Sherry Scudder

• Governor Kent introduced Peter Mancuso, MNDAK Trustee/Counselor, who gave remarks.

• Governor Kent spoke on the Status of Membership and Clubs.
  o He has seen some fantastic service projects on his visits.
  o Feels membership has hit the low point and is starting to climb.
  o Feels great about the future of MNDAK Kiwanis.

• District Secretary/Treasurer—Steve Handegaard
  o Asked everyone to turn in their expenses for 2015-16 by September 30, 2016.
  o Clarified the meeting procedure.

• Motion of the minutes of the last board meeting. Motion made and seconded to accept the January 2016 Board Meeting minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously. Jim Bock/Sherry Scudder

• Edward Jones proposal—Gail Childs
  o Gail handed out an Edward Jones proposal packet with prospectus.
  o We need to have an investment policy. Making sure each understands their role.
  o Working with a qualified investor.
  o Advisory Solution—delegate day to day investments to Edward Jones.
  o Annual Fee—Has applied the maximum discount she can.
  o $50,000 minimum investments, lots of options.
  o Governor Kent stated there are some dollars in our reserves that could be invested in something with higher interest return.

• Sons of Norway Presentation—Life Insurance—Dan Haglund and Linda Briard
  o Explained and discussed an option to generate non-dues income.
  o Dan read the proposal letter and their brochure. (See letter for highlights.)
  o Proposal will be discussed again in January 2017.

• Increasing the District to 8 Divisions—Governor Kent
  o Kent presented a map showing reapportioning—Would add another division in Minnesota
  o Discussion on the proposal
  o Division 8—20 clubs, Division 7—22 clubs, Division 6—22 clubs
  o Overall cost—would require more funding for Lt. Governors. Lt. Governors are the most important people in the district.
  o Action plan is to send out letters to each club in Divisions 6 & 7 as to what the new division plan is and take a vote on the plan in January.
  o This also affects Key Club and Mary Beth asked that we keep them informed.
Time frame—Executive committee will get a proposal together and vote on it at Tri-K in January 2017.

- Exchange of Banners

- Discussion on banners—Took a straw poll and asked Steve Handegaard to get cost of new banners.

- Governor Kent thanked the Lt. Governors for their work and gave each a bell.

- Vantine given to Steve Handegaard by Governor Kent in appreciation of his service.

- Meeting turned over to Governor Designate Peter Larson for 2016-2017 portion of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted:

Stephen Handegaard
District Sec/Treas
Minnesota-Dakotas District