MINNESOTA-DAKOTAS KIWANIS DISTRICT
“MINUTES”
District Convention Friday Board Meeting
Friday, August 3, 2012
St. Cloud

Members present:

Executive Officers (voting members)
Denis Cornell, Governor
Cynthia Braseth, Governor Elect
Lowell Disrud, Immediate Past Governor
Steve Handegaard, District Secretary/Treasurer

Lt. Governors 2011-2012 (voting members)
Darlene VanderVorst Region 1
David Odette Region 2
Betz Tepley Region 3
Gus Jacob Region 4
Scott McCaskell Region 5
Don Felmlee Region 7

Immediate Past Lt. Governors 2011-2012
Dawn Fairbrother Region 6
Barb Winfield Region 7

Lt. Governors Elect 2011-2012
H. Weyburn Niewoehner Region 1
Kent Hochgraber Region 2
Mark Johnson Region 3
Tom Allen Region 4
Carol Grode-Hanks Region 5
Jim Bock Region 6
David Harms Region 7

District Directors/Chairs
Colleen Hyde Administration
Ann Backes Dodge Interim District Convention Director
Sharon Scudder Membership
Bruce Klair New Club Building
Mary Sieling Service
Bill Daugherty Eliminate Coordinator
Vickie Walters TAG

Other Guests Present
Stewart Ross Kiwanis International Trustee
Elizabeth Tezza Kiwanis International Trustee Counselor
Judie Rosendahl Governor Elect Candidate
David Fairbrother Governor Elect Candidate
• Call to Order – Following breakfast the meeting was called to order at 8:25 a.m. by Governor Denis Cornell

• Pledge of Allegiance led by Lowell Disrud, Immediate Past Governor

• Invocation by Cynthia Braseth, Governor Elect

• Introductions by Governor Denis Cornell

• Cindy Braseth moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Lowell Disrud. Motion carried.

• Approval of the Minutes of the last board meeting. A motion was made by Betz Tepley and seconded by Darlene VanderVorst to accept the January, 2012 Board Meeting minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously.

• Secretary/Treasurer’s Report –
  o According to KI our beginning membership on October 1, 2011 was 5162 members. As of now our membership count is 5059. On September 30, 2011 Kiwanis International will give us an official ending membership total for the Kiwanis year.
  o A Financial Report of the District accounts is sent to all board members and others every month via email. Currently budget is in good shape, but income continues to decline as membership declines.
  o Board members were reminded to continue promoting club donations to Outreach. A monthly summary of Outreach donations is sent to all board members.
  o All district expense vouchers for the 11-12 year must be submitted to the district office by no later than September 30.
  o Lt. Governors were encouraged to check the online Kiwanis Portal often. Currently they can view monthly club reports, club election reports and other information online.
  o Lt. Governors were reminded of importance of making the three required visits to clubs in their region.
  o Lt. Governors were reminded that many clubs have not submitted their club election reports.

• Remarks from Elizabeth Tezza, Kiwanis International Trustee Counselor 2012-2013

• Status of Membership and Clubs- Governor Denis Cornell remarks
  o Currently 5059 members and 154 Clubs.
  o Tioga Club is currently on Club Suspended Notice.
  o Clubs lost during the year were: Brookings Golden K, Worthington Golden K, Edina, Edina Golden K, and Montevideo.
  o New clubs started- Marshall and Turtle Mountains. Also club near chartering that might be named the Kiwanis Club of St. Croix Valley.
  o Also, 2 new K-Kids Clubs, 2 new Circle K Clubs and a number of Builders Clubs formed.

- Review of Proposed Amendment to Minnesota-Dakotas By-Laws
  - Governor Denis reviewed the graduated new member enrollment fee amendment to be considered at the House of Delegates.

- Closing remarks by Governor Denis Cornell
  - Governor Denis thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve as Governor this year. He indicated that he thoroughly enjoyed serving in the role.

- Stewart Ross thanked everyone for their incredible work and support during his campaign for Kiwanis International Vice President. He also indicated that he would be serving as District Service Director during 2012-13 and would be sharing more about his goals during the Sunday board meeting. Elizabeth Tezza joined Stewart in discussing some things happening at the International level.

- Meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen K. Handegaard
District Secretary/Treasurer
Minnesota-Dakotas District
August 15, 2012