

**OHIO DISTRICT OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL
2017-18 Board of Trustees Meeting
Fourth Official Meeting**

Friday, August 10, 2018
10:00 AM

Park Inn Toledo
Toledo, Ohio

CALL TO ORDER

Governor Dan Litzinger called the meeting to order at 1:42 AM.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Dave Whiteman called the roll. Absent were the Lieutenant Governors from Divisions 5, 9, 10E, 10W, 11N, 18 and 24.

INTRODUCTIONS

Governor Dan welcomed those present, thanking everyone for their service and shared that the district is expected to end the year with possibly 13 new clubs. Dan shared there were tokens of appreciation at the seats from him and the First Lady for the board members. Dan introduced International Trustee Ron Smith, from the Southwest District. Ron will serve as our Counselor during the coming year, Key Club Governor Noah Malik and Circle K Governor Samantha Gates. Board members introduced themselves and indicated their role within district.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the March 16, 2018 meeting and April 23, 2018 were presented for approval. **Motion by Connie Potter (7) to approve the minutes was seconded and carried.**

OFFICERS REPORTS:

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Dave Gallit reviewed the June financial reports in detail. He reviewed all the supporting documents. Both Key Club and Circle K also were within their budgets, briefly reviewing their convention incomes and expenses. The district should finish the year in a good financial position.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Dave Whiteman presented a written report on the District Office operations. He reminded the board that the district is accepting bids for our banking and credit card services and the incoming board will be approving the choices made by himself and Lanton Lee at their first board meeting. He briefly reviewed our membership status to date and compared it to last year. As of this convention, we have 221 active clubs in the district. While there have been six charter resignation since last convention, there has also been eight built and a couple more expected to be completed before the end of the year. We are aware of 3 – 4 who are expected to surrender their charter. He reviewed the clubs who need to take care of small balances prior to being able to vote this weekend. He thanked everyone for their work and reminded them to keep working until September 30th.

IMMEDIATE PAST GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Immediate Past Governor Bill Flinta addressed the board. He thanked everyone for their work and support. He voiced his appreciation for all the friendships he had developed over the past year. He stated he had been busy with the Foundation's Golf Outing, attending the Kiwanis International Convention in Las Vegas and directing the hiring of a new Executive Director. He feels that being Governor was in the "top five" events in his life. He encouraged everyone to consider furthering their leadership roles by accepting committee roles offered to them.

GOVERNOR ELECT'S REPORT

Governor Elect Faith Levine held her board trainer in April and there will be a "make-up" session this afternoon for individuals unable to attend. Faith reported she has been working on her budget for next year. She thanked Governor Dan for his help. She asked the current board to support their replacements and to answer their calls.

INTERNATIONAL COUNSELOR'S REPORT

International Trustee Ron Smith shared how he became the counselor to the Ohio District. He shared that he had selected Ohio in part because he knew Lanton Lee through Circle K many years ago, so he applied to be Ohio's counselor. He shared his background in Kiwanis and his perspective on the Kiwanis Family. He stated he is looking forward to working with and representing us on the International Board.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Governor Dan took a few moments to review his report. He stated he has not been at all disappointed in this year and is proud that Ohio is still one of the largest single state districts in North America. He said we have the ability to be even stronger and to grow. He always knew we were awesome, but, traveling around the State of Ohio has been absolutely eye opening. He encourages clubs to recruit younger members to sustain the clubs because of the aging membership.

He has thoroughly enjoyed his year and has become even more passionate about Kiwanis and our mission. He appreciates everyone's support and participation, especially with the blitz. He knows it was not easy, but, it was a terrific effort on everyone's part.

Dan thanked Jason Miller and Past Governor and Convention Chair Tom Crawford for all their hard work. He stated this weekend was a perfect opportunity to talk to hundreds of people regarding Kiwanis. He then called Jason up for his remarks because of time demands for Jason this weekend.

Education Sessions

Jason Miller

Jason Miller spoke about workshop responsibilities. He handed envelopes to designated workshop hosts and explained responsibilities for each workshop. He asked they return the collected surveys to the District Office.

KIWANIS FAMILY REPORTS

KEY CLUB GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Key Club Governor Noah Malik shared it had been a busy summer. They had their trainer in June and then travelled to the International Convention in Chicago. He also attended LeaderCom. The Key Club committees have been working hard on various tasks including Fall Rally. Fally Rally will be November 4 at The Ohio State University's Student Union. He has been working with the Lt. Governor's to ensure they are working and staying active within their home divisions. His goal is to have the board 90% filled, they currently have 9 vacancies on the board. They are working on growing their attendance at DLC and will need the assistance of the Kiwanis Clubs and board to promote the events in Ohio. Noah thanked the Kiwanis board for their help and support.

CIRCLE K GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Circle K Governor Samantha Gates presented her report to the board. The District held their trainer back in May at Camp O'Bannon and painted benches at the camp for their service project. They are working on a strategic plan for long term development for membership growth and reminding the board of goals that were set so it will help members to focus on achieving their goals. Several delegates attended the International Convention in Chicago. They received a grant to attend International Convention, this money was used to pay for hotel rooms which made it more affordable for attendees. They will be having their third board meeting this weekend and will be also working on their Fall Rally, which will be October 6 at Miami University. They are attempting to schedule their district convention, but are encountering some issues with location. Sam thanked the board for their support.

DISTRICT FOUNDATION REPORT

Vice-President Dick Brulotte shared a handout with the board and stated the board had been very busy and active this year. He shared that President Tim was scheduled in another meeting at this time and sends his regrets. Dick recognized Ellen Martin as Social Media Director of the Foundation and Peter Gaughan, Raymond James Advisor for the Foundation. Dick invited everyone to attend the annual board meeting on Sunday morning. This will include the elections for the board and several service grants will be given away for clubs to provide service in their community. He shared that there are six special PIP awards available from a matching grant, but, prior arrangements must be made to secure this opportunity. Foundation social medial chair Ellen Martin shared they would be giving away lanyards, you must however, visit their booth to get one.

ACTION ITEMS:

Charter Resignations

District Secretary Dave Whiteman advised the board there are two clubs asking to surrender their charter: Louisville (17) and E-Club of Northwest Ohio (1-S). **Motion to accept the resignations by Wanda Young (17) was seconded and approved.**

Policy Manual Changes

Ted Barrows

Laws & Regulations Chair Ted Barrows reviewed the proposed policy changes that were previously distributed and they were fairly simple. The first, stating it is the decision of the Governor-Elect whether to hold the District Installation at the District Convention or on a separate date close to the beginning of his/her year as Governor. The net expense (in either case) to the district will not exceed \$2,000. **Motion to accept this revision by Robert Day (2) was seconded and approved.**

The second was pertaining to the oversight of the Key Club funds being handled and disbursed by the Ohio District Foundation. Several Changes were recommended regarding duties of the District Secretary, the Key Club Administrator and the Foundation Treasurer. **Motion to accept by Eric Willman (1S) was seconded and approved.**

Division Merger Approval

Bill Flinta

Last years' district board examined the structure of the district, divisions 6 and 7 decided to coordinate a merger to cope with a void of leadership in the area. This division will have 13 clubs in it and will be called Division 6. **Motion to accept the merger by Connie Potter (7) was seconded and approved.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The board heard reports from the following committees.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Tom Crawford

Dan expressed his appreciation of Tom's efforts on behalf of the District for organizing the convention. Tom reviewed the activities involving the Jeep Parade and the KC and the Sunshine Band concert. Discussion ensued regarding the distribution of concert tickets. Information was shared regarding the collection of food-stuff for the First Lady's Project.

FINANCE AND STRUCTURE

Don Parker

A written report was presented, Chairman Don thanked everyone who served on the committee and shared the purpose and value of the Finance and Structure Committee to the district. He shared the amount of time and energy that went into the policies regarding oversight of the Key Club finances. He reminded the Lt. Governors they can be exceptionally helpful to the SLP's by being supportive and sharing the need for Kiwanis Clubs to be supportive.

INVESTMENT REPORT**Peter Gaughan**

Investment advisor Peter Gaughan reviewed the current status of the district's investments. Our funds are getting a fair return for non-profits and he explained how the funds are allocated and managed.

GOVERNOR'S BANQUET**Dan Litzinger**

Governor Dan reviewed time and location for meeting for formal portrait of the board and lining up for the banquet. He then issued an invitation for the after party in the Governor's Suite.

NEW CLUB OPENING & Membership Strengthening**Brad Kunze**

New Club Building/Opening Chair Brad Kunze thanked members of the membership team who served as regional chairs, club openers and club counselors. He recognized the efforts of past district chairs. Brad shared that the district is currently up over 300 members in the Ohio District. He reported that they have completed opening six new clubs and expect another four to be completed by the end of the year. He pointed out there were several clubs we did lose in the district and the expectations of losing another two clubs. Brad reminded that the membership will not stabilize on new club building only – there has to be club membership growth. He encouraged the Lt. Governors to go back to their clubs and push them to end their year with a plus one membership. He believes we have a chance to reverse the membership trends and finish the year on a positive note. He thanked the board for the privilege of serving.

ELIMINATE PROJECT UPDATE**Cindy Champer**

Eliminate Project Chair Cindy Champer shared that when this campaign ends in two years, she will have been in this position of Eliminate Coordinator for ten years. Cindy shared she has raffle tickets for a quilt to be auctioned off. They have stuffed animals to sell, gently used Kiwanis apparel to sell. She encouraged divisions and clubs to purchase Zellers to support the Eliminate Project and to honor individuals within their division.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Dave Whiteman thanked the board for allowing him to work with them this year.

The meeting adjourned at 3:31 PM.

Submitted by:

Dave Whiteman
District Secretary