OHIO DISTRICT OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL 2010-11 Board of Trustees Meeting Third Official Meeting

Friday, March 11, 2011 8:00 PM The Conference Center at NorthPointe Lewis Center, Ohio

CALL TO ORDER

Governor John DeVilbiss called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Dave Whiteman called the roll. Absent were the Lieutenant Governors from Divisions 6, 8, 14, 15, and 18.

INTRODUCTIONS

Governor John welcomed those present and asked District Chairs, Past Officers, and guests present to introduce themselves. Governor John gave Immediate Past International President Paul Palazzolo a few moments to address the board. He thanked us for the opportunity to be with us once again. We are at the mid-point of the Kiwanis year and we still have work to do. He is here to help the clubs in your division to be the best they can be. We need to stress value for our members, service to our communities, and encourage them to have fun in all that they do. Look at everything we do at the meeting tonight and during the Mid Year tomorrow through the eyes of our member clubs. How will our actions be relevant to the clubs of the Ohio District and how will it help them improve their value, increase service, and have more fun?

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the December 4, 2010 meeting were presented for approval. **Motion by Dennis Elwer (2)** to accept the minutes was seconded and carried.

OFFICERS REPORTS:

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Connie Potter reviewed the "Draft" copy of the February financial reports. Checking and Savings balances are in good shape. She noted that the stock market was down slightly this week, but overall we are in good shape. All of our budgets appear to be in good shape at this time. In response to a question concerning the fact that much of our contracted services budget has been used, Dave Whiteman responded that that line item includes our accountant's expense for our financial review and for preparing our tax returns. All of those expenses have been paid in full for the year and we should still be in good shape in that line item.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Dave Whiteman presented a written report on the District Office operations. A copy of the report was included in the Echoing what Treasurer Connie said, the district is in very good shape financially at this time. Our 990-EZ has been filed for 2009-10 and it is available for review in the district office. Membership has made some modest gains since November 1st and we have no charter resignations at this meeting. Actions taken at the last Kiwanis International Board Meeting decreased our number of active clubs in the Ohio District to 249 at this time. Secretary Dave reviewed the Unpaid Clubs Report that was emailed earlier this week to all Board Members. Clubs that concern Dave at this time are those in Billing Group 3. Those payments were due on November 30, 2010.

DISTRICT FOUNDATION REPORT

President Randy Beard addressed the board briefly. A short PowerPoint presentation was shown to briefly review the material that would be covered in the foundation workshop sessions tomorrow. One of the ways that the foundation raises money for their endowment is through donations made to the Ambassador Program. Randy and Secretary/Treasurer Jean Forbes presented an Ambassador Pin to Lieutenant Governor Phil Morrical of Division 5. Randy emphasized that this is the foundation of the Kiwanis members of the Ohio District. They have changed the Birthday letter that will be going out to the clubs this year. It is a more colorful brochure and has received positive reviews. District Golf Outing Co Chair Bill Flinta reviewed the plans for the 54th annual golf outing and asked for the support of the entire Kiwanis Board. The outing will take place on July 20th and 21st (your choice) at Tam O'Shanter Golf Course in Canton, Ohio. He encouraged all to stop at their booth tomorrow and more information is available on their website at www.ohiokiwanisgolf.com. All sponsorships and a portion of the golf registration fee is tax deductible as a charitable contribution to the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation. President Randy Beard thanked First Lady

Wanda DeVilbiss for her work on behalf of the First Family Project. She has helped raise over \$12,000 so far this year for Pediatric Trauma Grants. Finally, Randy reviewed the fact that they have had very few grant requests to date and they are looking to assist in providing funding for worthy projects in the Ohio District.

CIRCLE K GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Circle K Governor Courtney Winterberger addressed the board for one last time. Her term is ending at the end of the month. A written report was included in the Board Booklet distributed prior to the meeting. They recently held their 54th District Convention in Toledo, Ohio and the convention went very well. She reviewed their service hour count to date and as usual the total is very impressive. Their delegates did not elect a new Governor in Toledo so they have collected applications for the position and they will hold a special Board Meeting on March 13th to elect a Governor for 2011-12. She asked our assistance in helping them to fill other vacancies on the board. Courtney related a recent visit to South America where she was told by a Circle K Governor that he had very little contact with his Kiwanis counterparts. She thanked us for all of the support that our board has given Circle K throughout the past year. It was very much appreciated.

ACTION ITEMS:

District Convention Budget

District Convention Chair Craig Wallace reviewed the proposed budget for our 2011 District Convention. The budget was based on 450 total registrants and this is a slight increase. They normally have increased attendance when we come to Toledo. The budget is balanced with total projected revenue and expenses of \$37,300. Motion by Kay Oughterson (10-W) to approve the 2011 District Convention Budget was seconded and carried.

Key Club Tour Budget

Key Club Administrator Jeff Eble reviewed the budget for the 2011 Key Club International Convention Tour. They developed the budget for travel to Phoenix with the projected registration fee at \$1,100 and projected number of attendees at 60. He is not sure they will get that many to attend. Right now the biggest uncertainty is the cost of airline travel. That will be significantly higher than last year's busing cost to Memphis. Motion by Tom Eisenbraun (21) to approve the 2011 Key Club Tour Budget was seconded and carried.

2011 District Installation Contract

Governor Elect Bill Snellgrove reviewed plans for the 2011 Installation to be held on September 17th. He has chosen the weekend of the OSU versus University of Miami football game to avoid the home football weekend crowds. We looked at several facilities and settled upon the Doubletree Columbus/Worthington as they have agreed to keep our meal prices to a maximum of \$35.00 inclusive of taxes and service charges.

Motion by Dick Clark (10-S) to authorize the District Secretary to enter into contract with the Doubletree Hotel for our 2011 District Installation was seconded and carried.

2009-10 Financial Review

District Secretary Dave Whiteman reviewed the Financial Review prepared by our accountant for the 2009-10 Administrative Year. Dave related that this was just a review. We have a full CPA Audit done every four years and the last audit was prepared in 2007-08. Dave pointed out that this is a consolidated statement and advised them where to look to see individual results for Kiwanis, Key Club, and Circle K. Dave advised the board that our reserves actually increased more than previous projections indicated. Dave answered questions concerning the report as necessary. The report was received by the board without further action.

Proposed Bylaw Revision

Laws and Regulations Chair Don Parker reviewed a minor bylaw change that will allow the district board the option of waiving the following year's district dues for clubs built in a current year. This is in response to action taken by the Kiwanis International Board recently to waive dues for the following year for clubs built after January 1st. The wording of the proposed bylaw amendment to be sent to our delegates in August only gives the board the authority to take this action. The District Policy Manual would then need to be amended to mirror the change that Kiwanis International Board takes. If given the authority to make the change, the policy placed in our District Policy Manual would stay in effect until changed by the board. **Motion by Kamran Zarbakhsh (9) to present the proposed Bylaw Amendment to our delegates at the next District Convention for consideration was seconded and carried.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The board heard reports from the following committees.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

John DeVilbiss

Governor John announced that no Executive Committee meetings were held since the December District Board Meeting.

MID YEAR EDUCATION DAY

Sharon O'Neal

Mid Year Education Chair Sharon O'Neal addressed the board briefly. She welcomed all of us to this facility. She thanked the board for their efforts in getting clubs to attend Mid Year. Packets will be distributed in the office tomorrow that will have the awards your clubs have earned during the past year. They will be recognized on the screen during the opening session, but the awards should be distributed in your divisions during an upcoming meeting. This year the exhibits will be in the Gymnasium to cut down on the congestion in the halls. Luncheon will once again be in split sessions this year to facilitate the large crowds. Education Chair Bob Williams distributed packets with introductions for facilitators of the various workshops, evaluation forms, and other materials you will need.

FINANCE & STRUCTURE

Frank Walker

Frank Walker, Chairman of the Finance & Structure Committee presented a brief report to the board. His report was included in the Board Booklet and no further comments are made here.

MEMBERSHIP GROWTH

Eric Bush

Regional Growth Chair Eric Bush provided us with a written report that was distributed to all Board Members. Eric was not able to be with us, but Lanton Lee made a few comments about the sessions that would be held tomorrow during the Mid Year. Please use the materials to work with your clubs to develop club growth plans. Lanton made special mention of a Webinar that will be presented for the Ohio District on April 7, 2011 at 7 PM.

FIRST FAMILY PROJECT

Wanda DeVilbiss

First Lady Wanda reviewed the convention committee request for baskets and a flyer was distributed to all board members. They are asking that the value of baskets be held to \$50-60 to insure that we have a good amount of bidders and winners. She is hearing many good things about First Family Projects taking place throughout the district. CHAD stickers are a very inexpensive way to participate and the Pediatric Transport devices are also fairly inexpensive. We heard earlier that \$12,000 has been raised so far for the Pediatric Trauma Fund of the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation. Ask for grants to help you complete your projects.

KIWANIS ONE DAY

Jennifer DeFrance

Kiwanis One Day District Chair Jennifer DeFrance presented a brief report to the board. Her report was included in the Board Booklet and no further comments are made here.

CLUB LEADERSHIP EDUCATION

Dennis Lehman

Dennis Lehman, CLE Chair, presented a brief report to the board. His report was included in the Board Booklet and no further comments are made here. Be sure you work with your Lieutenant Governor Elect to make sure your 2011-12 Club Leaders attend a CLE session in your area.

ON TO INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Al Allender

District On to International Convention Chair Al Allender addressed the board briefly to encourage our members to attend the convention in Geneva. It is not too late to make a reservation. InConTra is still taking reservations and the price has not gone up a great deal. The Ohio District is in the top two or three districts in registrants, but we still have fewer than 100 scheduled to attend. Al will have a workshop tomorrow during the first session and they will have an Exhibit Table open all day and an InConTra representative will be in attendance to answer our questions.

GOVERNOR ELECT COMMENTS

Governor Elect Bill Snellgrove addressed the Board briefly. He noted that we still need a few Lieutenant Governors to fill the board for next year. He will be meeting tomorrow at 1:20 PM with the Lieutenant Governor Elects in attendance. Finally, the Key Leader District Chair is looking for sponsors to assist in funding students to attend their upcoming session scheduled for April 29-May 1, 2011 at Recreation Unlimited Camp. Anything you can do to put out the word about this to the clubs in your area will be much appreciated. We don't want to exclude any student from attending due to lack of funds.

IMMEDIATE PAST GOVERNOR COMMENTS

Immediate Past Governor Don Parker addressed the board briefly. He wanted to stress how important the Lieutenant Governors are to the clubs in your division. Be out there attending their meetings, fundraising events, etc. Thank them for the work they are doing to serve their communities and children. Finally he thanked the entire board for the work they have done and for the work they will do during the coming months.

INTERNATIONAL COUNSELOR'S COMMENTS

Immediate Past International President Paul Palazzolo addressed the board briefly. He reminded us that the Lieutenant Governor must wear two hats. First he/she must help existing clubs to grow and strengthen their membership. The second hat you wear is that of a new club builder. New clubs are absolutely vital to the success of a division and of a district. The Lieutenant Governor must do both jobs equally well for the division to prosper.

GOVERNOR COMMENTS

Governor John DeVilbiss addressed the board briefly. He echoed what District Secretary Dave said about encouraging clubs to submit articles for the Buckeye Bulletin. Share membership and service successes with others in the district. We are getting good articles submitted and we want to keep it up. We will also be hearing from John about new club building very soon. It is time to "Light the Fire" under membership in the Ohio District.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The next Board Meeting will take place at the District Convention on Friday, August 12, 2011 at the Park Inn Toledo in Toledo, Ohio. It is scheduled for 10:00 AM and it will be immediately followed by the Board Luncheon for all District Board members and partners.
- We will have no district office in Geneva, but Governor John will be emailing all attendees with details about the Caucus scheduled in Geneva. He would like all Ohio registrants to attend.

The meeting adjourned at 9:54 PM.

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Submitted by:

B. David Whiteman District Secretary