

**OHIO DISTRICT OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL
2014-15 Board of Trustees Meeting
Second Official Meeting**

Saturday, December 6, 2014
9:30 AM

OSU Newark Campus
Newark, Ohio

CALL TO ORDER

Governor Diana Keplinger called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Dave Whiteman called the roll. Absent were the Lieutenant Governors from Divisions 6, 10-W, 11-N, 12, 13, 15, and 20. Lt. Governor Elects Scott Lindsey (10-W) and Karen Hagerman (11-N) were present to participate in discussion.

INTRODUCTIONS

Governor Diana welcomed Key Club Governor Clayton Brown and Circle K Governor Molly Baumann then asked the District Chairs, Past Officers, and guests present to introduce themselves.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the October 5, 2014 meeting were presented for approval. **Motion by Ron Lyness (17) to accept the minutes as presented was seconded and carried.**

OFFICERS REPORTS:

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Bob Williams reviewed the "Draft" copy of the November financial reports. The bank reconciliation report for Kiwanis indicates that we have a total of \$236,000 in cash and investments and our total assets as of the end of November are just over \$243,000. Bob noted that we had an additional transfer of dues and fees yesterday of over \$60,000. Bob reviewed the Kiwanis income and expense sheets and commented on them as necessary. All areas are within budget and in order. Key Club has cash in checking and savings in excess of \$174,000 and they also received a small transfer yesterday. Bob reviewed their income and expense statements and noted that they are in very strong financial position. He noted that Circle K had a total cash balance of over \$37,000 and they are in a strong cash position with little or no liabilities. **Motion by Dick Brulotte (11-S) to accept the Treasurer's Report was seconded and approved.**

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Dave Whiteman presented a written report on the District Office operations. A copy of the report was emailed earlier and shown on the screen. We will begin registration very soon for our Mid Year Education Day, Circle K District Convention, and Key Club District Leadership Conference very soon. He asked for feedback on our monthly Buckeye Bulletin and also that anyone not receiving it please let him know. Our district membership dropped by 234 members on September 30, 2014. This reduction meant that we will receive approximately \$4,800 less dues income than budgeted. This makes the job of our new club openers even more critical. We are currently at 230 active clubs in the district. This is three less than reported at our District Convention in August. **Motion by Bobby Phillips (3) to accept the Secretary's Report was seconded and approved.**

IMMEDIATE PAST GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Past Governor Jennifer DeFrance addressed the board. She noted that she has had several changes in her life recently. She has a new job and she has purchased a home and moved to Olmsted Falls. She is working with a committee appointed by the F & S Committee to revise our District Policy Manual. It has been some time since that was last done. She encouraged anyone to submit feedback. As District Public Awareness Chair she is looking for feedback as to what is and what is not working. She is also willing to help on your 100th Birthday plans for the coming year. She has volunteered to serve as PR Chair for the 2015 District Convention.

GOVERNOR ELECT'S REPORT

Governor Elect Amy Zimmerman addressed the board. She recently attended Governor Elect Training in Indianapolis and she reviewed some of the activities that took place. She has been working on Lt. Governor Elections with each Lt. Governor and right now about half of the divisions have Lt. Governor Elects. She is also working on the Policy Manual Revision Committee as Chair of the committee. She is working actively with the District Foundation and serving on many of their committees. Finally she is also active in the Cincinnati Area on Eliminate MNT fundraising efforts, including selling about \$1,100 worth of Christmas Cards.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Governor Diana addressed the board briefly. Her report was distributed by email and displayed on the screen. She reviewed the report noting her travels since our last meeting. She thanked everyone throughout the district for their kindness during their visits. She did update the amount of money received for Eliminate and Pediatric Trauma. Over \$10,000 has been donated to date for those two projects. In addition, she thanked all for the items donated today for the donation to Children's Hospital in Columbus. Nelson Kopp will be delivering those items to Children's Hospital for us. She noted that International President John Button had stressed the building of new clubs to insure our growth. We have many communities throughout Ohio that no longer have Kiwanis Clubs in them. We must rebuild Kiwanis Clubs in those areas. She urged all Lieutenant Governors to work with Past Lt. Governors in your divisions to assist you in finding your replacement for next year.

KIWANIS FAMILY REPORTS:

KEY CLUB GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Key Club Governor Clayton Brown addressed the Board. He thanked all for making the effort to attend today's meeting. He noted that they had 450 Key Club members attended their Fall Rally at the Ohio State University Student Union. They also had 7 students attend the Kiwanis Family Conference in the Carolinas District. Their Lieutenant Governor elections are taking place in January. They are also actively planning their upcoming District Leadership Conference in Beechwood, Ohio. He asked us to urge our clubs to support their Key Clubs by helping send representatives to the District Leadership Conference. Governor Diana Keplinger noted that we have received word from Kiwanis International that the Mariemont Key Club in Division 8 is in the top 10 of Key Clubs throughout the world in raising funds for the Eliminate Project. They have raised over \$20,000 the last two years with a 5-K Run.

CIRCLE K GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Circle K Governor Molly Baumann also prepared a written report that was emailed to all board members and displayed on the screen. She noted that the University of Cincinnati is also in the top 10 of Circle K Clubs in raising funds. Please review Molly's written report covering their activities since our last meeting.

DISTRICT FOUNDATION REPORT

Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation President Kathryn Karpus addressed the board. She announced that it was their honor to present Past International President Don Williams with the first Kiwanis Centennial Award at his 100th Birthday Celebration last month. They have many ways to Honor members for their service, including the Legion of Honor Award. She noted that since the foundation began it's focus on Pediatric Trauma, over \$230,000 has been presented in Pediatric Trauma Grants. At their meeting this afternoon they will be looking at how to better focus their efforts on Pediatric Trauma. They currently have 26 Club Advised Funds with just under \$100,000 in total assets being held for those clubs. If you are interested in more information, let them know. The license plate program is running below what we would have hoped it to be at this time. Please consider purchasing Kiwanis plates for your car in the near future. Finally their next newsletter will be out very soon.

ACTION ITEMS:

Charter Resignations

District Secretary Dave Whiteman noted that he had received a letter from the North Akron Kiwanis Club requesting that they be allowed to terminate their membership as a club. They currently have three active members and no prospect for that changing soon. **Motion by Lynn McNay (7) to accept the charter resignation from the North Akron Kiwanis Club was seconded and carried.**

Mid Year Education Day Budget

Mid Year Conference Chair Jamie Kaufman reviewed the proposed budget for our 2015 Mid Year Education Day. Jamie noted that the budget was not significantly changed from 2014. **Motion by Ron Lyness (17) to approve the 2015 Mid Year Education Day budget was seconded and carried.** This year we will once again offer a \$15.00 discount to the first 50 new attendees to Mid Year, so make sure you tell your members to register early. We hope this will result in increased attendance at the event.

Key Club Leadership Conference Budget

Key Club Administrator Jeff Eble reviewed the budget for the 2015 Key Club District Leadership Conference. Jeff reviewed the highlights of the budget and noted the budget is based on 300 attendees. The convention is moving to the Cleveland Area because 60% of their membership is from Northeast Ohio. The move is an effort to increase participation. They are looking for a sponsor for their Keynote Speaker to help cover the

cost to the district. **Motion by Stan Popp (16) to approve the 2015 Key Club Leadership Conference Budget was seconded and carried.** Jeff asked us all to encourage our Key Clubs to attend and participate in the District Leadership Conference.

Circle K District Convention Budget

Circle K Governor Molly Baumann reviewed the 2015 Ohio District Circle K District Convention budget. The budget is significantly different this year due to the fact that they will be moving their convention to a camp setting. The goal is to reduce the cost for students to encourage them to attend the convention. **Motion by Lynn McNay (7) to approve the 2015 District Convention Budget was carried.**

Directors and Officers Insurance

District Secretary Dave Whiteman advised the board that we will be billed annually by Kiwanis International for our D & O Liability. As was the case with our clubs, the amount is significantly less than the amount we have paid in the past. The total cost now will be \$800.00 compared to nearly \$1,400.00 in the past. In the past the cost was shared by the district (73%) and the District Foundation (27%). Since the new coverage with Kiwanis International covers both districts and their foundations, it was recommended that we share the cost between the district and the foundation on a 75%/25% basis now and in the future. **Motion by Karen Cisco (2) to approve billing the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation for 25% of the cost, or a total of \$200.00, was seconded and carried.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The board heard reports from the following committees.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Diana Keplinger

Since the last board meeting, the Executive Committee met on October 15, 2014. This meeting was necessary to authorize approval of the 2015 Key Club and Circle K District Convention contracts, as well as to approve some Installation expenses that were over the budget. **Motion by Ted Clutter (22) to ratify the actions of the Executive Committee was seconded and carried.**

FINANCE & STRUCTURE

Cindy Champer

Finance & Structure Committee Chair Cindy Champer prepared a written report that was emailed to all board members and displayed on the screen. She highlighted their activities and plans for this year. Their January and April meetings will be held online using the "Go to Meeting" software and the July meeting will be held in Canton during the District Golf Outing. Subcommittees have been appointed to review our International Campaign Fundraising efforts and also to look at updating our District Policy Manual. Ohio Kiwanis members who wish to share ideas/comments on any of the subjects discussed should refer them to any of the current F & S Committee members.

DISTRICT FORMULA TEAM

Bill Snellgrove/Kathleen Moylan

Membership Strengthening Chair Bill Snellgrove and New Club Opening Chair Kathleen Moylan presented a joint report to the board. Bill encouraged us to use all of the tools available, including the Family Membership Pilot, to grow our membership. In almost every division, we have seen growth this year. They want to see every division's balloon up in the air by year-end. Please let them know if they can provide a speaker at our division council meetings to discuss membership issues. The Formula Team is about 90% complete in Ohio. All are available to help you grow and open new clubs.

ELIMINATE PROJECT UPDATE

Craig Smith/Jodee Ward

Multi Division Representative Craig Smith presented the report for the Eliminate Committee. Through our efforts on behalf of the Eliminate Project, we have saved the lives of 66 million women and their unborn children. Through our efforts and those of others, babies are dying at a slower rate of one every 11 minutes now from MNT. Craig reported that we have two new Model Clubs in Ohio; the Kiwanis Club of Bay Village and the Kiwanis Club of Mount Gilead. The Delaware County Club has pledged to become a Platinum Club at a giving level of \$1,500 per member. Craig pointed out several new initiatives including the 20% matching funds available for new Model Clubs. Please review the written report emailed to all board members for additional information about the Eliminate Project efforts in the Ohio District. Jodee Ward reviewed a possible fundraising project for the Eliminate Project with Bob Evans Restaurants. This is a very easy way for clubs to collect funds by simply encouraging members and others to dine on specific dates at your local restaurant. Only clubs in the Northeast are participating at this time, but it may be extended to other areas in the future. More information will be coming at a later date.

CLUB LEADERSHIP EDUCATION

Dennis Lehman

CLE Chair Dennis Lehman was unable to attend, but he did prepare a written report that was emailed all members and Governor Diana reviewed highlights of the report. Be sure to look over the report.

ON TO INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**Karen Hagerman**

District Chair Karen Hagerman addressed the board. The convention will take place from June 21-25 in Indianapolis. Our hotel is the Courtyard by Marriott and our rate is \$165.00. Brochures were left at the back of the room with information about the area. More information will be coming at a later date. The estimated attendance this year is 10,000 given the fact that Key Club, Circle K, Aktion, and Kiwanis will all be holding their convention at this time. Karen pointed out that there is also a Post Convention Cruise being planned for the 100th Birthday of Kiwanis. Watch for more details!

INTERNATIONAL ELECTIONS**Tom Crawford**

Past Governor Tom Crawford addressed the board and noted that he will be heading our efforts to elect John DeVilbiss as our next International Trustee in Indianapolis. We will call our efforts the "Indianapolis Invasion". Tom will be leading the troops on the ground. Dale Leach will be working as our PAC Chair trying to line up support from other districts. All of us need to work to get John elected so that we have a seat on the board directing our organization. We need to work to get our full complement of delegates in Indianapolis to insure John DeVilbiss has the best opportunity to get elected. Packets will be given to all board members at Mid Year spelling out their duties in getting our candidate elected.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The next Board Meeting will be at the Mid Year Education Day on March 6, 2015 and it is traditionally scheduled for 8:00 PM. The meeting will take place at Crowne Plaza Columbus North on the eve of our Mid Year Education Day.
- The district office will be closed beginning Christmas Eve and will reopen on Friday, January 2nd. If you need anything while we are closed, leave a message for Dave at Extension 2. He will be checking messages periodically during the week and will get back to you as soon as possible.

The meeting adjourned at 11:39 AM.

Submitted by:



B. David Whiteman
District Secretary