

**MINUTES OF THE THIRD OFFICIAL MEETING OF THE 2010-2011 BOARD
OF TRUSTEES OF THE FLORIDA DISTRICT OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL
HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND
7:00 A.M., FRIDAY, JULY 8, 2011**

Call to Order:

Governor Tom Ramiccio called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Governor-elect Eddie Lee led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation:

District Treasurer Allen Whetsell gave the invocation

Roll Call:

Executive Director Langguth's roll call recorded the 2010-11 District Board Members' attendance:

2010-11 Trustees Present:

Governor Tom Ramiccio
Governor-elect Eddie Lee
Immediate Past Governor Donna Parton
Past Governor Mark Taylor
Treasurer Allen Whetsell
Executive Director George Langguth
Division 3 Lt. Governor Scott Whitehead
Division 9 Lt. Governor Jack Wallace
Division 10 Lt. Governor Jeremy Riehl
Division 11 Lt. Governor Mary Ann Siemers
Division 12 Lt. Governor Brendan O'Conner
Division 16 Lt. Governor Dr. Joyce Taylor
Division 18N Lt. Governor Mary Lynn Desjarlais
Division 18S Lt. Governor Robert Talley
Division 19 Lt. Governor Bruce Boyd
Division 20 Lt. Governor Gary Frechette
Division 21 Lt. Governor Chet Taras
Division 24 Lt. Governor Saied Taie-Tehrani

2010-11 Trustees and Kiwanis Family Officers Absent:

Past Governor Dave Liddell
Division 1 Lt. Governor Rebecca Adams
Division 2 Lt. Governor David King

Division 4 Lt. Governor John Hill
Division 5 Lt. Governor Skeeter Key
Division 6 Lt. Governor Judy Green
Division 7 Lt. Governor Alan Burton
Division 8 Lt. Governor Bill Koenig
Division 13 Lt. Governor Markus Mittermayr
Division 14 Lt. Governor Al Diaz
Division 15 Lt. Governor Mary Crowder
Division 17 Lt. Governor Debra McNulty
Division 22 Lt. Governor Marty Rondeau
Division 23 Lt. Governor David Platz
Division 25 Lt. Governor Thomas Freiwald
Division 26 Lt. Governor Bruce Ross
Florida Kiwanis Foundation President Tom Thayer
Florida Key Club Governor René Miller
Florida CKI Governor Tim Wolfinger

Quorum:

Executive Director Langguth confirmed the presence of a quorum for the conduct of business.

International Representation:

The Kiwanis International Board was not represented at the Board Meeting .

Acknowledgement of Guests and Opening Comments:

Governor Ramiccio thanked the guests and the Board for attending the Board Meeting and the Geneva Convention. He stated that he regretted that the live connection to the Board Members back in Florida could not be established due to power conversion difficulties.

Approval of January 15, 2011 Board Minutes:

Lt. Governor Riehl made a motion to approve the Official Minutes of the January 15, 2011 Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Frechette and carried.

Before addressing the 2009-10 Financial Statements, Governor-elect Lee thanked the Board for its support and said that it was time to put everything behind us and move forward. He said that Governor Ramiccio was put in an extremely difficult position by the actions of Kiwanis International. He added that Kiwanis ended the 2009-10 year with a profit and thanked the Investment Committee for its outstanding work.

Approval of 2010-11 Kiwanis Year-to-Date Financial Statements of Kiwanis through June 30, 2011:

Following a report of Treasurer Whetsell of the Year-to-Date Financials of Kiwanis and a review of the Proposed Kiwanis Operational Budget for 2011-12, **Treasurer Whetsell made a motion to approve the 2009-10 Financial Statements of Kiwanis and its 2011-12 Operational Budget. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Talley and carried with the direction that the \$900.00 budgeted to be given to new clubs, e-clubs or traditional, chartering with 30 members or more,**

could not be used to pay for or reimburse the dues of any members.

Governor Ramiccio and the Board complimented staff for being good stewards of the Kiwanis family funds and Governor-elect Lee, Treasurer Whetsell, Staff and the Long Range Finance Committee on its preparation of the 2011-12 Operational Budget.

Official Monthly Reports, Club Election Reports and Unpaid Clubs Report:

District Treasurer Whetsell encouraged the Board to follow up on those clubs that have outstanding balances. First billing cycle dues were due no later than November 30, 2010. Second billing cycle clubs were due no later than January 31, 2011. Third billing cycle clubs were due no later than March 31, 2011.

Executive Director Langguth advised the Board, prior to the meeting, to follow-up on clubs not filing monthly reports and asked that special attention be paid to clubs that had not filed their election reports. He indicated that without the information the District and International could not compile an accurate directory and that a lack of reporting generally indicated problems existing within the club.

Lt. Governor's Filing Dates, Deadlines and Requirements:

Executive Director Langguth advised the Board, prior to the meeting, of the filing dates, deadlines and requirements with the Board. He stated that incomplete reports are of little or no value to anyone reviewing them and that unsubmitted reports were unacceptable.

Executive Director's Report:

Executive Director Langguth reported on Staff's spring activities and their progress on future Conferences and Conventions. He stated that we had already met our contractual obligations to the Marco Island Marriott and that the hotel was selling out fast. He stated that he had contracted the Paddlewheeler Creole Queen for an exclusive Florida District Dinner on Thursday, June 28, 2012 in conjunction with the Kiwanis International Convention in New Orleans, June 28-July 1, 2012.

Confirmation of Governor Ramiccio's Appointment of Jim Wylie as Chair of Strategic Planning:

District Treasurer Allen Whetsell made a motion approving the appointment of Jim Wylie as Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee. The motion was seconded by Governor-elect Lee and carried.

Florida District Board Endorsement of Tom Ramiccio as Florida's Declared Candidate for International Trustee in New Orleans, Louisiana in 2012.

Treasurer Whetsell made a motion that the Board formally endorse Thomas M. Ramiccio for the office of International Trustee for the election being held in 2012 in New Orleans. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Wallace and carried.

Governor Ramiccio had previously been endorsed by the Steering Committee and Past Governors. Past Governors Bob Parton and George Albright will Chair the Steering Committee.

Florida Kiwanis Caucus in Geneva, Switzerland

Governor Ramiccio reminded the Board that the Florida District Caucus would immediately follow the Board Meeting.

Past Governor Bob Parton gave the Steering Committee's recommendations on candidates and on amendments.

Past Governor Donna Parton made a motion that the Board approve the recommendations of the Steering Committee. The motion was seconded by Treasurer Whetsell and carried. The Steering Committee's and Board's recommendations were shared with the Caucus.

Florida District Convention Reminders – Marco Island Resort, Golf Club and Spa – August 25-28, 2011:

The Board was given 10 informational and action items and was asked to handle these as soon as they returned to Florida.

Board Designation of Schafer, Tschopp, Whitcomb, Mitchell and Sheridan to Review the Florida Kiwanis Family Accounts for 2010-11:

Lt. Governor Boyd made a motion to designate the CPA firm of Schafer, Tschopp, Whitcomb, Mitchell and Sheridan to Review the Florida Kiwanis Family Accounts for 2010-11. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Desjarlais and carried.

Approval of Florida Kiwanis Foundation Bylaws:

Lt. Governor Frechette made a motion to approve the Florida Kiwanis Foundation Bylaws submitted to the Kiwanis Board for approval. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Siemers and carried.

Electronic Participation and Voting at District Board Meetings:

Executive Director Langguth apologized for the failed connection to the Board Members who were unable to travel to Geneva, but indicated that because our District Bylaws have no Provision for electronic voting, those participating would have been ineligible to vote. He stated that International advised Districts that they could adopt a Bylaws amendment to permit electronic Board voting, if legal within the governmental jurisdiction in which they operate.

Lt. Governor Siemers made a motion to propose electronic voting by Florida District Board Members. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor O'Connor.

Governor Taylor made a motion to table the motion to August 25, 2011. The motion to table was seconded by Lt. Governor Desjarlais and carried.

Executive Director Langguth informed the Board that a member of the District was holding a notebook with a sign that was uncomplimentary to Governor-elect Eddie Lee. He stated that the Board needed to be aware of it and expressed his concern that this was any longer an issue,

since the International Board had certified Eddie Lee as Governor-elect and cleared him to serve as Governor in 2011-12.

Closing Comments by Governor Ramiccio:

Governor Ramiccio thanked everyone for their participation in the meeting and stated he needed to adjourn the meeting in order to begin the Florida District Caucus.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Governor Ramiccio adjourned the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

Certification:

Copies of these Minutes have been forwarded to Kiwanis International Executive Director Stan Soderstrom; Kiwanis International Governance Specialist, Diana Rader O'Brien; Thomas Tschopp, Schafer, Tschopp, Whitcomb, Mitchell & Sheridan, LLP., Kiwanis' officially designated Certified Public Accountants; and permanently filed in the Official Records of the Florida District of Kiwanis International, Inc., at its headquarters at 5545 Benchmark Lane, Sanford, FL 32773-8116.



George F. Langguth, Executive Director/District Secretary
The Florida District of Kiwanis International