



# Kiwaniis Florida District

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**MINUTES OF THE FINAL OFFICIAL MEETING OF THE 2018-2019 BOARD  
OF TRUSTEES OF THE FLORIDA DISTRICT OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL  
Omni Orlando Resort at ChampionsGate (1500 Masters Blvd., ChampionsGate, FL)  
2:00 P.M., Thursday, August 15, 2019**

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

Governor Steve LeBlanc called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

## **INVOCATION**

The invocation was provided by Vice-Governor Mary-Lynn Desjarlais.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Governor-elect Allen Yergovich led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL**

Executive Director Melanie Winternheimer's roll call confirmed that the following 2018-19 District Board Members were present for the meeting:

## **2018-19 DISTRICT BOARD**

Governor Steve LeBlanc  
Governor-elect Allen Yergovich  
Vice-Governor Mary-Lynn Desjarlais  
Executive Director Melanie Winternheimer  
Immediate Past Governor Todd Smith  
Past Governor Gary Frechette  
Past Governor Celia Earle  
Division 2 Lt. Governor David King  
Division 3 Lt. Governor Gavin Boone  
Division 4 Lt. Governor Bear Bryan  
Division 6 Lt. Governor Paige Chase-Novak  
Division 7 Lt. Governor Joe Pinello  
Division 8 Lt. Governor Larry Fluty  
Division 9 Lt. Governor Deb Tinsley  
Division 10 Lt. Governor Floyd Adams  
Division 12 Lt. Governor Chuck Hawkins  
Division 14 Lt. Governor Janet Daigle  
Division 15 Lt. Governor Ray Kriegbaum

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Division 18 Lt. Governor Jim Finch  
Division 20 Lt. Governor Jay McCampbell  
Division 21 Lt. Governor Tom Thayer  
Division 22 Lt. Governor Mike Holmes  
Division 23 Lt. Governor Pam Davidson  
Division 24 Lt. Governor Angie Font  
Division 26 Lt. Governor Emilia Gugliuzza  
Florida Kiwanis Foundation President Winnie Holland  
Florida Kiwanis Foundation President-elect Jim Wylie  
Florida Kiwanis Foundation Vice-President Richard Leys

**ABSENT**

Division 1 Lt. Governor Lynn Gauthier  
Division 11 Lt. Governor Janet Cathy  
Division 13 Lt. Governor Vickie Jones  
Division 16 Lt. Governor Suzy Hutcheson  
Division 17 Lt. Governor Mike Lubrano  
Division 19 Lt. Governor Mick Sheldrake  
Division 25 Lt. Governor Carmen Calzon

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

International Trustee & Florida Board Counselor Dave Hurrelbrink  
Florida CKI District Governor Josephine Di Russo  
Florida District Key Club Governor Stara D'Haiti  
Parliamentarian Tom Weller  
Investment Counselor Terry Carr

**QUORUM**

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

**GOVERNOR'S OPENING COMMENTS**

Governor LeBlanc introduced the visitors in the room. He continued by stating that he felt that 2018-19 had been a good year so far. He reminded the group of his request at the beginning of the year; that he needed their help reaching out to the entire district in an effort to remind the members to get back in touch with the spirit that brought them to Kiwanis in the first place. Without going into the

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specific membership numbers, he stated that he felt that, overall, he is happy that everyone took membership seriously throughout the year and thanked everyone for their efforts.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The board voted by unanimous consent to approve the items included in the consent agenda without objections:

- February 23, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes
- 2019-20 Florida Kiwanis District budget as recommended by the Long-Range Finance Committee
- 2019-20 Florida Aktion Club budget
- 2019-20 Florida Circle K (CKI) budgets
- 2019-20 Florida Key Club budgets
- CKI Bylaw amendments
- Key Club Bylaw amendments

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director Melanie Winternheimer provided a written report to the board but also reminded the lieutenant governors that our fiscal year ends on September 30, 2019. All requests for reimbursement MUST be in the district office by Friday, September 14. Because we operate on a modified cash basis, absolutely no requests for reimbursements from the 2018-19 year can be honored after September 30, no exceptions.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business to discuss at this meeting.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business to discuss at this meeting.

**REPORT OF THE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE**

Investment Counselor Terry Carr explained the position of the investment committee and outlined the quarterly performance of the investments as of 06/30/2019. In order to address any additional questions, he also provided reports for the period ending 07/31/19. Despite the volatile market, where we see huge spike and drops every time we get a new tweet, the Florida District investment account and the Honorary Lifetime Trustee (HLT) investment account both continue to grow.

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**REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

Membership Chair Jim Gillies provided the Board with reports on new club openings and membership growth. We are currently up 317 members from 10/1/2018. Eleven new clubs have been opened or are in process. Once all of these clubs have been officially chartered we stand to bring in an additional 250 members that are new to the Kiwanis family. Gillies reminded everyone that membership and opening new clubs must remain in the forefront for all of us. Fortunately, we have developed a very strong membership team in the Florida District. This team has been committed to not only opening new clubs but also helping strengthen existing clubs.

**REMARKS BY THE FLORIDA DISTRICT CKI GOVERNOR**

CKI Governor Josephine Di Russo stated that she is grateful to everyone for their support of CKI. She is excited and thankful to be included in the convention. She thanked everyone for participating in CKI's service projects and events and encouraged everyone to continue to support their efforts. She reminded everyone that the CKI mentorship program is kicking off this year and asked that everyone please consider becoming a mentor.

**REMARKS BY THE FLORIDA DISTRICT KEY CLUB GOVERNOR**

Key Club Governor Stara D'Haiti began by expressing her thanks to the board for allowing her to participate in the Florida Kiwanis convention. She also thanked the board for all of their efforts in keeping Key Club as a part of the Kiwanis family by including them in projects and events. This speaks volumes. She closed by asking the leaders to continue to reach out to their Key Club counterparts because it is amazing what we can accomplish together.

**REPORT OF THE FLORIDA KIWANIS FOUNDATION**

President Winnie Holland told the board that it has been a very busy year for the Florida Kiwanis Foundation. She stated that there are a lot of exciting changes in the future of the Foundation this year. They will be proposing at their meeting on Friday morning that they hire an Executive Director to handle their administrative duties. They will be having a reception on Friday evening in the Caring Corner where they will be announcing new programs. The Foundation has given out \$21,000 in mini-grants so far this year but have some additional funds available if any of the lieutenant governors know of clubs who have end of the year projects. She closed by informing the group that the Foundation would be receiving a check for \$900,000 in the morning from the Donna and Dave Batelaan estate. The final amount received from the estate will be close to \$3,000,000. Past Governor Donna and Dave have provided this legacy to be used for the SLPs and for persons with disabilities.

**CARING CORNER UPDATE**

Vice-Governor Mary Lynn Desjarlais provided an update on the 2019 Caring Corner.

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**REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL BOARD COUNSELOR**

International Trustee Dave Hurrelbrink opened by bringing greetings from the International Board, including President Poly Lat, whose health continues to be a serious concern, and incoming President Daniel Vigneron. It is wonderful to be here with all of you. There are great people in Kiwanis everywhere. He thanked everyone for their service and closed with a farm story about getting good help and getting the job done. He has great thoughts about Florida Kiwanis being the "good" help in making the district grow and revitalizing the spirit of the membership.

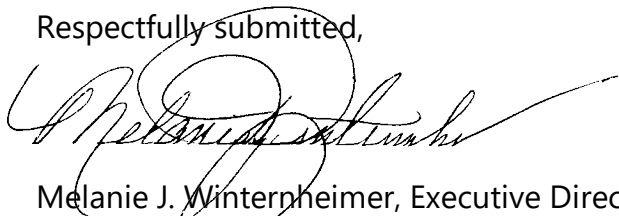
**GOVERNOR'S CLOSING COMMENTS**

Governor LeBlanc offered a heartfelt thank you to everyone for stepping up and doing so much for their clubs and their divisions and for helping to make the job of governor go as smoothly as possible. Thank you to everyone in the room for everything you do for the kids. That's what it's all about. It's All. About. The. Kids.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to conduct on behalf of the Florida District of Kiwanis, Governor LeBlanc adjourned the meeting at 3:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Melanie J. Winterheimer, Executive Director  
The Florida District of Kiwanis International

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**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 Auditor; and permanently filed in the Official Records of the Florida District of Kiwanis International, Inc., at its headquarters at 1205 W. Airport Blvd., Sanford, FL 32773.