CAPITAL DISTRICT KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

Quarterly Committee Report & Committee Evaluation

Committee: Aktion Club **Date:** 10/21/2021

Chairperson: Jennifer Hiscock

To be completed by the Committee Chairperson and submitted to the District Secretary and supervising District Trustee no later than 21 days before each quarterly District Board Meeting.

1. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Committee fully staffed: Yes ☐ No ☑ [Note: Regions without representation below.]

The regions without representation are Southeast Virginia and Southwest Virginia.

There is representation by at least one member of each of the following regions: Chesapeake Bay, Heart of Virginia, Mason-Dixon, and National Capital.

2. KIWANIS YEAR GOALS (list all committee's annual goals)

GOAL	% Complete
The Aktion Club committee chair will create a monthly newsletter for club and Kiwanis advisors related to club management, service project ideas, and partnering opportunities with other branches of the K family.	17
The Aktion Club committee will provide training opportunities for Capital District Kiwanis members at DCON, CKI DCON, Key Club DCON, and other regional events as invited.	0
The Aktion Club committee will arrange for and identify an Aktion Club speaker each K family convention (Kiwanis, CKI, and Key Club) to strengthen the bond between the various programs and promote K family interaction.	0
The Aktion Club Committee will assist all currently chartered Aktion Clubs in successfully coming out of COVID-A status in order to not lose any clubs/members after the negative impacts of the pandemic for individuals with disabilities.	13

3. **CHALLENGES OR ASSISTANCE NEEDED** (use continuation sheet if necessary):

-Is there a new Capital District logo that will include West Virginia in the graphic or the state's name? I would like to work on marketing materials for the summer Aktion Club training and leadership conference, but want to make sure West Virginia is included!

-I am aware that DEI (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion) committee is restarting. Has a chair been named and if so, who will be serving in that position? I would like to advocate as the Aktion Club committee chair for an Aktion Club representative to be a part of the DEI committee whether it be a member or an advisor. I would be more than willing to put out a call to solicit nominations with a brief Google Form for anyone interested to fill out. I know Key Club and CKI has representation so I would love to also have this SLP branch represented.

-Many of our Aktion Clubs have just started meeting again in person in August/September. Therefore, this year will most likely be a rebuilding year for Aktion Clubs to gain members, retrain officers, get back to serving in person, and continue to navigate COVID-19 safety procedures, especially this winter when the threat is coupled with the flu. This is not a direct challenge, but something that I wanted the board to be aware of.

4. **COMMENTS** (use continuation sheet if necessary):

-Again this year, we will be hosting an Advisor's Round-Table discussion opportunity every other month. (November, January, March, May, July, and September). These have been well received by advisors in the past and I am hopeful that we continue to have advisors log on.

-We have been able to reactivate 1 Aktion Club to date (at the time of this report) that was in COVID-A status and unfortunately made inactive by KI. I am working on assisting advisors to reactivate the rest. For those who may not know, any SLP clubs who were on COVID-A status, Kiwanis International moved the clubs to inactive status at the end of July, but did not alert administrators until our end of the year meetings in September. Therefore, it is imperative to have clubs pay this year and become reactivated, before being charged an additional fee.

-We tried to host an Aktion Club Training and Leadership Conference (TLC) for the Capital District in summer of 2021, virtually. Unfortunately, due to the lack of technology access and personnel as a result of COVID, the event was cancelled due to low attendance. I would like to try holding this event again in July of 2022. Many advisors shared they would have interested club members who may be able to attend in person, but that virtual will most likely never work. I am targeting the Fredericksburg, VA area since we already use this location for district board meetings, as well as its convienent access to major highways.

SIGNED: Jennifer Hiscock -10/21/2021