Kiwanis

To: Capital District of Kiwanis Board of Officers
From: Catie Dugan Vargas, Capital District of CKI District Administrator
Date: July 31, 2022
Subject: Capital District of CKI (CDCKI) Update

Dear Kiwanis Board of Officers,

CKI has been hard at work connecting with clubs, gathering contact information and sharing resources with clubs to help them best prepare for the upcoming school year. So far it has been a lot of hard work but very rewarding working with the students and seeing them grow. We were able to recruit an additional board member that came to DOTC and she has already been hard at work as South LTG. We were pleased to have 3 students from Capital attend CKI's Next Up Leadership Training conference ahead of ICON. Two students were current board members and the other is a prospective board member. She intends to run for a position in the spring at DCON. For the fall she is considering a committee chair position.

District Events

- The **District Officer Training Conference** (DOTC) was held June 17-19 , 2022 in Chantilly, VA. The Governor, Secretary Treasurer and new South LTG were all in attendance. The officers received general training on CKI and the Kiwanis family, reviewed the status of the district, and set the 2022-23 District goals. We were pleased to have Governor Elana Gardner, Governor-Elect Jen Wolff, Executive Director Jeff Wolff, Key Club DA Kristina Dlugozima, CKI Kiwanis Committee members Tameka Glover, Stacy Whitehouse, and Jose Leoncio all join at various points throughout the weekend to tag team different aspects of training.
- **International Convention** (ICON) was held July 24-27, 2022 in Austin Texas. Capital was represented by Governor Akilah Richards, Secretary Treasurer Brittany Gates, South LTG Emma King, International Trustee Madeleine Eichorn, and Simran Bhathal of GWU and DA Catie Dugan Vargas.
    - Bowie State University received 1st Place in the Ruby Division for the Growth Enhances Membership Award (G.E.M.) for growing their club this past CKI year.
    - Serena Bell was recognized as Outstanding Alumnus of the Year for CKI for her continued service to Kiwanis.
- **Capital District Kiwanis Convention** will be held August 19-21, 2022. CKI will be hosting a workshop and hosting a booth to engage with Kiwanis about CKI. CKI will also host a miracle minute to fundraise for the new CKI UNICEF initiative, Brick x Brick.

CKI has invited CKI members from the Baltimore area to participate in the Fellowship Luncheon.

- **Kiwanis Family Weekend** CKI is excited to work with Governor Jen on planning an outstanding Kiwanis Family Weekend.
- **Fall Membership Rally (FMR)** is tentatively scheduled for October 28-30, 2022 at NOVA 4H Center in Front Royal Virginia. CKI is excited to host this in person event to excite its members. Jeff Wolff is working on signing the contract with the center.
- **District Board Meetings:**
    - June 17, 2022
    - June 23, 2022
    - May 24, 2022
    - July 25, 2022

<u>2022-23 District Board of Officers</u>

- **Governor**: Akilah Richards, Bowie State University
- **Secretary-Treasurer**: Brittany Gates, Hood College
- **Communications Officer**: Vacant
- **LTG Northeast:** Vacant
- **LTG Northwest:** Vacant
- **LTG Metro:** Vacant
- **LTG West:** Vacant
- **LTG South:** Emma King, William & Mary

We are actively seeking potential candidates to fill the vacant positions and committee chair positions.

<u>Kiwanis Committee on CKI</u>

Current committee members are:

- Serena Bell
- Stacey Whitehouse
- Elana Gardner
- Jen Wolff
- Jerry Jones
- Nathaniel Kyle
- Matt Brent
- Josh Hiscock
- Tameka Glover
- Jose Leoncio

The committee is well supported and each committee member will play a mentor role to a specific student as we continue to fill the board. The committee is also actively helping with club communication strategy and have all been assigned a selection of clubs to work with for the year so they all have a direct line of communication with the District. We have also set monthly calls to discuss all the CKI clubs and how we can continue to best communicate and serve them throughout the year.

Membership Dues and Club Status

As of 8/3/2022, CDCKI has 25 clubs. Of these, 19 are active, 2 are Inactive, and 4 are Suspended. The total paid membership stands at 371 members.

We continue to focus on educating clubs about charter strength and the dues process. We have found that some clubs simply did not know how to pay dues and so we continue to work with clubs on that. We are focused on rechartering at least 2 clubs that have expressed interest either by students at those schools or by the sponsoring Kiwanis club. Currently we are looking at Loyola University and James Madison University.

New in 2022, International is implementing a new dues structure. They are implementing a new per member dues structure as opposed to the prior club fee structure. International dues are now $24 per member, District dues are $10 per member and we encourage clubs to collect at least $5 per member to support their own club budgets for a total of $39 per member. We have been working to educate all clubs about the new structure and address any concerns members may have. We have also encouraged clubs to start talking with their Kiwanis clubs now if they will need financial assistance to support the new dues structure.

Please reach out to me with any questions or concerns. I am so looking forward to helping grow CKI this year!

Respectfully,

Catie Dugan Vargas

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District Administrator, Capital District of CKI
Kiwanis Club of Tysons
Past LTG Division 2

CAPITAL DISTRICT KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

Quarterly Committee Report & Committee Evaluation

Committee: Capital District CKI **Date:** 07/31/2022

Chairperson: Catie Dugan Vargas

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.]

Kiwanis Committee includes: Serena Bell, Elana Gardner, Jen Wolff, Jerry Jones, Stacey Whitehouse, Matt Brent, Nathaniel Kyle, Tameka Glover, Jose Leoncio

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

GOAL	% Complete
Fill the CKI District Board with Students, 8 positions available	37
Plan and execute Spring Officer Training for Clubs and District Officer Training Conference	100
Hold 5 District Board Meetings	100
Host and execute Fall Membership Rally and District Convention	25
Support clubs and grow membership by 10%	50

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

See board memo

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

SIGNED: Catie Dugan Vargas

February 8, 2012