CAPITAL DISTRICT KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL
Trustee Board Report

Region: Chesapeake Bay **Date:** March 2023

To be submitted to the District Secretary-Treasurer no later than 21 days before each quarterly District Board Meeting. For each division in your region, comment on the areas below.

1. MEMBERSHIP

Thus far in 2022-2023, we have seen net growth in Division 4 (+3) and Division 5 (+4). In Division 4, three clubs have grown this year (+2: Crofton, +1: Next Generation e-Club, +1: Severna Park), one club has decreased in membership (-1: Ellicott City), and one club remains unchanged (Commodore Mayo). In Division 5, five clubs have grown (+6: Bridgeville; +8: Chincoteague, +5: Coastal Delaware, +2: Greater Millsboro, +3: Seaford). One club has decreased in membership (-1 Greater Ocean Pines). The other clubs remain unchanged (Accomack, Delmar, Georgetown, Pocomoke City). Our region wants to end the year with **every** club experiencing net growth.

The Kiwanis Club of Severna Park has voted to turn in its charter sometime during the 2022-2023 Kiwanis year. While we have placed a focus on retaining as many members as possible in Kiwanis, there is still much uncertainty if we will lose the six remaining Kiwanians to other organizations. The Kiwanis Club of Dover turned in its charter at the end of the 2021-2022 Kiwanis year. Members of that club have successfully created a satellite group with the Kiwanis Club of Bridgeville. With the recent re-divisoning, Division 4 will now include the Kiwanis Clubs of Westminster, Frederick, and Mt. Airy. These new clubs will need to be successfully on-boarded in the coming months to welcome them. This will be particularly important if a newly designed region is created in 2023-2024.

2. PLANS FOR NEW KIWANIS OR SLP CLUBS

Club	Status
Division 4: Catonsvile	Build Planned for Summer 2023
Division 5: Kar-Wanis, Salisbury, Easton Kar-wanis idea adding members to current clubs in addition to building one new club	Idea In Development; 2022-2023
New Aktion Clubs (1 in Division 4 and 1 in Division 5)	Site Selection in Process in Division 4 (Howard County)
New Key Clubs: Chesapeake Math & IT Academy (Division 4B – Sponsor: Next Generation e-Club)	Chartering Under Consideration

3. CHALLENGES OR ASSISTANCE NEEDED

For another year, the leadership pipeline for future Lt. Governors continues to be a concern in the Chesapeake Bay Region. Neither division has found a Lt. Governor-Elect to serve the Capital District in 2023-2024. We are growing the leadership pipeline in Division 4 with some new leaders stepping into club roles this Kiwanis year. Our Capital – Next Generation e-Club has several eager young leaders who want to fill roles at the district level. A few other clubs, namely Crofton and Commodore Mayo, consistently add new members and have begun to engage more in DCMs and other divisional events. The three newly added clubs (Westminster, Mt. Airy, Frederick) may provide additional eligible candidates to run for Lt. Governor. However, thus far, it does not appear that any members from those clubs wish to run for the position.

Within Division 5, we are seeing many membership concerns from clubs, which makes it seem unlikely that many clubs will have candidates for the Lt. Governor role. This is a primary and urgent focus. Filling the position was a struggle in 2022-2023, and it appears that challenges may persist moving forward. While we hoped that redivisioning would alleviate this concern for both divisions by infusing new clubs with members possessing a stronger interest in serving in divisional and district roles, this remains to be seen.

I do not have any immediate questions. There is no need for immediate assistance.

4. OTHER COMMENTS

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