KEY CLUB

To: Capital District of Kiwanis Board of Officers
From: Kristina Dlugozima, Key Club District Administrator, Capital District
Date: February 13, 2023
Subject: Capital District of Key Club Update

The 2022-23 Key Club service year is quickly coming to a close with the culmination being District Convention at the end of March.

February Board Meeting
The Key Club board met for its final time prior to District Convention on February 4-5 in Chantilly, VA. The board judged awards submitted by officers and clubs throughout the district, worked with their committees for their final plans for the year, worked on workshops for District Convention, and bonded over ice skating together. While there is till much to do in the final 2 months of their terms, this board has accomplished a lot and has much to be proud of.

2023-24 LTG Elections
The election of our student leaders for 2023-24 has continued to be a struggle for the Capital District. At this point, we have 37 positions with 8 of them elected and 9 additional divisions with candidates and planned elections. This leaves 20 divisions with no candidates for Lieutenant Governor this year which is a serious issue. We will be working diligently between now and District Convention to ensure that we have leadership within these divisions.

District Convention
The District Board and Adult Committee are deep in the planning of this year's District Convention. The theme is "I Spy Service" with a mystery/spy theme. The convention will be held March 24-26th at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City, VA. Our keynote speaker will be America Ninja Warrior Finalist Hoan Do. We have slate of over 35 workshops and have some exciting changes happening this year. This year we are including a Kiwanis Family Luncheon on Saturday and invite Kiwanis members to attend for the day. Information on day registration will be available soon. Our goal is 600 attendees this year, lower than pre-pandemic but a big increase over 2022.

Membership
As of 2/13, the Capital District of Key Club has 9,384 dues paid members in 175 dues paid clubs. Additionally, rosters have been completed for 17 more clubs and I expect to hit our membership numbers from last year by District Convention (10,249). We will continue to work to get another 1,000 members between District Convention and September 30th. This includes new charters and reactivations, several of which are in the works and should be completed soon. Unfortunately, we also have 6 clubs that have been confirmed as inactive or closed for this year.

Adult Committee
Two of our adult committee members will be retired at District Convention – Will Nathan and Stacy Whitehouse. They covered 6 divisions between the two of them and we have 4 of them covered with current adult committee members. We are looking for one additional Zone Administrator to cover Divisions 3C and 3D which encompasses the southern shore of Maryland.

Future Goals
The Capital District of Key Club has many upcoming goals that it plans to accomplish with the help of the Kiwanis Family. These include publicizing a fund within the District Foundation to help support students on free and reduced lunch become members and attend events for Key Club, creating a 3 year strategic plan, selecting a multi-year district project to support, and re-divisioning based on the new Kiwanis alignment as well as Key Club's change in clubs post pandemic.

Please feel free to reach out to me at any time at kmsd512@gmail.com or 703-868-6224.

Yours in Service,
Kristina Dlugozima
Capital District Key Club Administrator

CAPITAL DISTRICT

a Kiwanis-family member
keyclub.org
Developing competent, capable, and caring leaders since 1925