CAPITAL DISTRICT KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

Quarterly Committee Report & Committee Evaluation

Committee: District Convention **Date:** 08/03/2024

Chairperson: Caren Schumacher

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.]

Caren Schumacher, Nancy Simonelli, Eric Lamb, Josh Hiscock, Tim Gillette, Jeff Wolff, Richard Pippin, Joe Flannagan, Paul Miller, Jeannette Ogilivie, Michelle Yuth, Mark Chatmon, Kimberley Temple, Robbie Hawk, Ron McCallum, Jen Wolff

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

GOAL	% Complete
The overall goal will be to have a fun and memorable conference. Anchoring Our Future will be the theme.	100
Draf overall conference plan for committee to review completed.	100
Zoom calls every other week to begin and specific committee chairs scheduled after initial plans and assignments completed	100
Sponsorship brochure completed by Jen Wolff. First sponsor committed - Cunningham Recreation for the baseball game at Harbor Park - $2,500	100
Blessing Bag service project to be held during Saturday morning, along with education and training sessions.	100

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

All things for DCON 2024 are on track for a smooth launch on Friday, August 23rd. All hands are on deck to complete and implement a very detailed list of task and assignments. Vice chair, Nancy, and I have worked with Dave Lurie on the script. All questions or assistance where needed is being handled directly with the tasked committee member.

Biggest challenges are attendance and sponsorships. It is my recommendation that District leadership explore why numbers have been decreasing for DCON and make any adjustments that can help the District continuing to grow and bring younger and energetic new members to its conferences. As far as sponsorships, post Covid and the economy have impacted businesses ability to be as philanthropic. The 2025 DCON Committee should be advised to budget accordingly.

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

The committee members have all been awesome. Putting on a conference like DCON has many moving parts and more details to implement than one can imagine. The District's Policy on DCON is outdated and should be addressed and revised to provide a more comprehensive and complete guideline for those who have been delegated to plan and implement the conference. Truth be known, I am embarrased that I have had to reach out to Jeff with as many questions as I have. Some were oversights by me, yes, but there is not a clear and current comprehensive guide to chairing the conference. I am grateful Nancy stepped up to be my vice chair; two heads have certainly been better than one.

SIGNED: Caren Schumacher *Caren Schumacher*

~~February 8, 2012~~