

OHIO DISTRICT KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL, INC
2019-20 Board of Trustees Meeting
First Official Board Meeting

September 29, 2019
10:00 AM

Hilton Garden Inn, Cleveland Airport
Cleveland, Ohio

CALL TO ORDER

Governor Designate Tim Cornelius called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM.

ROLL CALL

Executive Director Lanton Lee called the roll. Everyone was present and accounted for except for Bob Leasure (16), Bridget Tetak (18), and Bill Gutermuth (24).

Governor Tim presented the revised agenda and then asked to rearrange the order so, various individuals could return to other meetings. **Motion made by Ron Lyness (17) to rearrange the agenda was made, seconded and passed.**

CIRCLE K GOVERNOR

Governor Austin Underwood thanked the Kiwanis District for hosting the Circle K board members this weekend. They have been working on developing their Fall Rally which will be at Camp Berry the weekend of October 18-19. They have been reviewing district awards and honors for the upcoming convention. The District is pleased to announce they have raised nearly \$1500 toward their goal for St. Baldrick's Foundation. The district has seen a small decrease in membership but hope to have that turn around this year. He thanked the board for their support of the students, the KICK fund and having the board members be able to attend district Kiwanis events.

CONSENT AGENDA

After Governor Tim explained how the Consent Agenda would work and what items were included in the Consent Agenda, Governor Tim asked the Board to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion by Ron Lyness (17) to approve the Consent Agenda was seconded by Randy Rucker (9) and carried.** Items included in the Consent Agenda were Approval of Minutes for August 9, 2019, Authorization of Executive Director/District Secretary to Contract for Insurance and bonding (subject to budget line items); Authorization of Executive Director/District Secretary to procure supplies, equipment, and professional services (within budget line items); Authorization of Governor, Executive Director/District Secretary, and Administrative Secretary to purchase items on Credit through Kiwanis International; and approval of District Chairs.

ACTION ITEMS

Club Resignations

Executive Director Lanton Lee reports that the clubs of White Oak Montfort Heights (6/7), Franklinton (10W) have indicated they will be submitting a letter of resignation. Lorain (13) is

turning in their charter but will become a club satellite of the Elyria Club until they obtain charter strength again. Hillcrest (15) has submitted a letter of resignation as well as North Royalton (24). They are in various stages of completing steps to dissolve the clubs. **Motion to accept the club resignations by Mike Rudolph (5) was seconded by Rich Ulmes and approved.**

Approval of Financial Accounts

A motion to accept the financial accounts was made by Jim Janosik (Treasurer) was seconded by David Doney (10E) and approved.

Approval of Governor, Treasurer and Secretary as those authorized to sign checks and make deposits.

A motion to approve the Governor, Treasurer and Executive Director to sign checks and make deposits was made by Linda Steinbrunner (2) was seconded by Marcia Copeland-Hudson (4) and passed with one abstention.

Approval of new District Committee

A motion to approve the new District Committee was made by Mark Wion (3) was seconded by Jim Trela (14). Discussion ensued regarding the role of the Development-Operations and Resources (DOR) Committee and how they might undermine the Finance and Structure Committee's tasks as spelled out in the District Bylaws, nor does it suggest any involvement or assistance to the strategic planning for the district. Governor Tim turned over his chair role to Governor-elect Jamie Kaufman so he could speak about the Committee. Governor Tim stated the DOR Committee is a Governor's support committee. He feels this would be a committee that would be a resource to any Kiwanians who felt they needed to have addressed, as opposed to the Finance and Structure Committee. He felt this is not in competition with the Finance and Structure Committee and as Governor he should be permitted to appoint this committee. Dave Doney (10E) questioned the value of the committee since it adds another layer to the committees since this is the role of the board and the past governors, past Lt. Governors or the Finance and Structure. Mike Rudolph (5) concurred this committee would just add another layer of bureaucracy. If there are issues with the Finance and Structure Committee, we need to look at that. Rich Ulmes (1S) inquired if this committee would be dissolved after this year, or if this would be repeated year after year. Again, if there are issues with Finance and Structure, they need to be addressed. Marcia Copeland-Hudson (4) stated the Bylaws needed to be followed and this committee was simply another layer. Ed Schlote (11S) believes the Governor has the ability to add directives to any committees to be responsive to any concerns from the membership. **Governor Tim requested that the motion to create the new committee be withdrawn. Mark Wion (3) withdrew the motion and Jim Trela (14) withdrew his second.** Governor-elect Jamie Kaufman returned the chairing of the meeting to Governor Tim.

Appointment of Lanton Lee as 2019-20 Executive Director/District Secretary

A motion by Dave Doney (10E) moved to appoint Lanton Lee as Executive Director/District Secretary for 2019-20 year was seconded by Ron Lyness (17).

The Governor then asked to go into Executive Session. **Ron Lyness (17) moved for the Board to go into Executive Session and Rich Ulmes (1S) seconded. The motion passed and the Board entered Executive Session at 10:45 am.**

At 11:14 am Rich Ulmes (1S) moved to exit Executive Session and Marcia Copeland-Hudson (4) seconded. The motion passed.

Upon return from Executive Session, **the call to question was raised by Nancy Hoffman (26). The vote to call the question passed. The motion on the floor that was made by Dave Doney (10S) and seconded by Ron Lyness (17) to appoint Lanton Lee as Executive Director/District Secretary for the 2019-20 year was passed with one nay.**

Appointment of District Executive Director/District Secretary as Statutory Agent of Corporation

A motion was made by Jim Janosik (Treasurer) was seconded by Ken White (8) and passed.

Budget Approvals

Ohio District Kiwanis Budget

Committee Chair Bill Flinta began by reviewing the types of budgets. The fee-based event budgets such as midyear and convention are designed to be break-even budgets and we had operating budget that come through dues and other resources. We typically develop a deficit budget with a potential shortfall of \$32,000. We have the reserves, and we typically do not use the entire budget. Committee chairs and board members do not use their budgets. The August reports are not complete, there are a lot of expenses to come in and we estimate we will have a deficit for this year of about \$10,000. **A motion to pass the Kiwanis Budget was made by Dave Doney (10E) was seconded by Rich Ulmes (1S).** In discussion, **a motion to amend the budget to reallocate funds set aside for the annual audit which will be paid out next year should be reallocated to the membership committee \$3,750 from growth development was made by Jim Janosik (Treasurer) was seconded, motion failed. Motion to approve the budget passed.**

Ohio District Key Club Budget

In the absence of Key Club Administrator Jeff Eble, Assistant Administrator Don Parker reviewed the Key Club budget. Don noted that the two primary sources of income are sponsorships of \$100 per club and membership dues, \$3.00 per member. This doesn't change much from year to year. District events are designed to be break-even events. Don noted that funds are transferred to the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation, because the foundation is the disbursing agent. **Motion by Faith Levine (Immediate Past Governor) to approve the Kiwanis District Budget was seconded by Ron Lyness (17) and approved.**

First Family Project

Governor Tim Cornelius shared the First Family Project will be helmet safety. **Motion by Ron Lyness (17) to approve the First Family Project was seconded by Faith Levine (Immediate Past Governor) and passed.**

Family Membership Proposal

Past Governor Bill Flinta shared information on a proposed amendment to Kiwanis International to make the family membership proposal a permanent status. We need 2/3 vote for this to pass. Ohio was a test district for this program, and we feel it is a valuable tool for recruiting members. **A motion to co-sponsor this amendment with the PNW District and to authorize Bill Flinta to serve as the district point person and make any needed changes was made by Nancy Hoffman (26), seconded by Jeanette Carpenter (11N) and passed.**

Eliminate Project Fulfillment

Craig Smith summarized the impact of MNT vaccinations around the world. We still have 20 million in funds to be collected for pledges to this program. He shared a report showing clubs pledge status, he encouraged additional fundraising and to encourage clubs to continue their efforts toward completing their goal.

2020 District Midyear Conference

Co-Chair Dick Brulotte pointed out there is a report on the March 21st, Midyear in front of everyone. Co-Chair Kelly Brown asked everyone to put the date in the calendar on their phone. The event will be at the Nationwide Conference Center in Lewis Center. Kelly and Dick offered to attend division council meetings to present on the midyear conference. **Marcia Copeland-Hudson (4) made a motion for approval of the midyear location and date, was seconded by Dave Doney (10E) and passed.**

Ohio District Circle K Budget

District Secretary/Treasurer Brittany Massey presented the budget for Circle K. Main changes to the budget was to increase the fall rally event due to a larger attendance, and convention being decreased due to more accurate numbers **Motion by Jamie Kaufman (Governor-Elect) to approve the Circle K District Budget was seconded by Jim Janosik (District Treasurer) and carried.**

OFFICER REPORTS:

TREASURER'S REPORTS

Immediate Past Treasurer Bob Day provided a thorough review of the Kiwanis finances, he pointed out the convention was expected to have a modest income. He reviewed Key Club finances and noting that Key Club is expecting to end their year with a small profit. Circle K's finances were reviewed and noted they will show a loss due to low attendance at their convention. He thanked everyone for the honor of serving as treasurer. He thanked Lanton and Sarah for their assistance and support from Governor Faith.

Treasurer Jim Janosik thanked everyone for their support and expressed appreciation to Bob Day and Lanton Lee to come up to speed. He also shared that he was available for presentations at division meetings.

DISTINGUISHED CRITERIA /ETC

Governor Tim reminded board members of the criteria for distinguished clubs and Lt. Governors. He asked that this information be shared with their clubs. If anyone had any suggestions for changes, he suggested we do that at the December board meeting.

Governor Tim also reminded the board they need to elect a class president, who will also serve on the Finance and Structure Committee. He needs one additional person to serve on the Finance and Structure Committee.

There are also two slots on the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation Board for Lt. Governors. Interested parties are asked to contact him by next week.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/SECRETARY'S REPORT

Executive Director Lanton Lee, thanked the board for his re-appointment. He challenged the board to lead by example in membership recruitment. He has already recruited a member for his Hilliard Club and is certain he has another one ready to join the University Club.

Club secretaries need to be aware, Kiwanis International is preparing a new report form that is supposed to be in place in October, he has included information on potential changes in the board book. Our Intern Donald Swift, and James Minter created a division page on Facebook for each division, and they are asking for your help with making the pages relevant and up to date. We also set up a "Team Up" Calendar for each division which will enable you to set up events for all your clubs to promote joint activities and to use for attracting potential members.

Kiwanis International is rolling out a new program where clubs can get websites at no cost.

IMMEDIATE PAST GOVERNOR

Immediate Past Governor Faith Levine thanked everyone who made last year a year for growing great clubs. She also thanked Marcia for recognizing President Poly with a moment of service. She has asked her board to serve as a resource to this current board. She encouraged everyone to attend International Convention to vote for the family membership initiative.

GOVERNOR ELECT

Jamie stated he submitted a written report and his role is to learn and to be a support to Governor Tim. He will be contacting you after the directory is published in order to follow up on Lt. Governor Elects.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Governor Tim shared he has provided a written report.

Announcements

December 7 is the next board meeting, we will meet at the Crowne Plaza North, Worthington. For Lt. Governor's, there is a \$125 stipend for Installation, and he has provided a revised expense report form. Lanton thanked everyone for helping get the directory completed, he asked that changes be submitted quickly and reminded Lt. Governors that the Education and Contact Visit Report is due on 12/1/19.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:25PM

Submitted by:

Lanton Lee
Executive Director/District Secretary