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Louisiana-Mississippi-West Tennessee District

MINUTES OF THE FALL 2022 BOARD MEETING

August 20, 2022, 8:00 AM virtual meeting

Call to Order

The Louisiana-Mississippi-West Tennessee District of Kiwanis International Board of Trustees met for its fall meeting virtually on Saturday, August 20, 2022. Governor Designate Bruce Hammatt called the meeting to order at 8:07 AM and established a quorum with the following present:

Governor, Rick Latiolais
Governor Designate, Bruce Hammatt
Governor Elect Designate, Rogena Woods-Mitchell
Region I Trustee, John A. Fry
Region II Trustee, R. Fred Pitts
Region III Trustee, Tom Osburn
Region IV Trustee, Marcel Lashover
Region V Trustee, Laura Gilliland
Region VI Trustee, Andrew Dozier
Region VII Trustee, Malissa Sweeney (joined late)
Executive Director, Jen Robertson

Invocation, Defining Statement, Opening Remarks by Governor Designate, Governor Elect Designate, and Executive Director

Executive Session (suspended)

Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda was considered. Fred Pitts made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Rogena Woods-Mitchell. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Region III Trustee Replacement Appointment

The Board considered the vacancy of the Region III Trustee position with the previous Trustee's election to Governor Elect Designate. Rogena Woods-Mitchell made a motion to appoint Tom Osborn of Vicksburg, MS to fill the Region III Trustee position on October 1, 2022, with one year remaining in the term. The motion was seconded by Fred Pitts. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Ongoing Business

Future meetings will be held in Baton Rouge, LA on November 18-19, 2022, virtually on March 11, 2023, and May 12-13, 2023, in Baton Rouge, LA, in conjunction with Lieutenant Governors' training.

Next, the Board considered Key Club's request for funding to purchase 1,000 rubber bracelets to be sold at the Key Club fall rally as a fundraiser. The bracelets will identify Kiwanis, Key, Club, and entire Kiwanis family. John suggested purchasing 2,000 bracelets thinking the cost would be ~\$450 to the District. Rogena Woods-Mitchell moved to provide up to \$450 for 2,000 bracelets. Marcel Lashover seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Board Committee Reports

The Board discussed the **Policy, Procedure, and Governance Committee**. Chair Rogena Woods-Mitchell presented plans to mirror Kiwanis International's Five Key Elements strategy. The Education Subcommittee will identify subject matter for the Mid-Year Regionals and 2023 District Convention education sessions.

The Board discussed the **Investment and Finance Viability Committee**. Chair John Fry presented the proposed 2022-2023 District Budget. John Fry made a motion to adopt the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Fred Pitts. All voted in favor. Motion carried. In addition to new club openings, the Membership Subcommittee will focus on engaging current members through club boosting efforts, club boot camp, and What's Brewing.

District Calendar

The Board reviewed dates for future District Conventions. The 105th District Convention will be held August 4-6, 2023, at the DoubleTree in Lafayette, LA. The 106th District Convention will be held August 2-3, 2024, likely in Memphis, TN or Tupelo, MS. The 107th District Convention will be held August 1-2, 2025, location TBD.

Next, the Board reviewed dates for future Kiwanis International Conventions. The 108th KI Convention will be held on June 21-24, 2023, in Minneapolis, MN. The 109th KI Convention will be held on July 3-7, 2024, in Denver, CO. The 110th KI Convention will be held on June 25-28, 2025, in Pittsburgh, PA.

Next, the Board reviewed the District calendar of events through September 30, 2023. Fred Pitts suggested the District consider holding CLE training in May or June to avoid the vacation heavy months of July and August while also expressing the advantageous of virtual training compared to no training. Bruce Hammatt suggested the Board consider holding a meeting in conjunction with District Convention while everyone is together rather than later in August.

Next, the Trustees and Executive Director made closing remarks emphasizing the importance of transparency, accountability, and communication.

Fred Pitts made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 AM. The motion was seconded by Laura Gilliland. All voted in favor. Motion carried.