



SWD Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 28, 2025

6:00pm

Don Townsend/Gov.
Mary Skalkoyannis/Past Governor
Erica Stephen/Gov Elect
Barbara Mizelle/Vice Governor
Alfie Kraus/Div 13
Dr. Terry Coyle/Div 15
Darin Edwards/Div 17
Mary (Past Gov.)
Liz Wilson/Div 16
Robert Treulich/Div 6 & 7
6:37pm Tuesday, April 28, 2025

Maple Levine/Div 2
Sharon Westrum/Div 5
Barbara Gomez/Div 4
Bernie Hoenie/Div 12
Lynne Gudin/Div 18
Nilda Townsend/Div 8
Sharon Doyle/Div 10
Chung-Kai (CK) Liu/Div 1e
(Past Gov Harry) - guest
Int'l Trustee Jackie Sue

Motion to approve \$1,500 2025 Summer Board budget for Key Club was presented by Governor Elect Erica Stephens which included the following:

\$1,000 for travel expenses, \$100 material expenses such as folders, pens, etc., and \$400 to provide beverages and such for the students.

Motion by Lynne Gudin/Div 18 LTG

2nd Barbara Gomez/Div 4 LTG

No opposed

Lynn Gudin asked how many LTG's were planning to attend. Governor Elect Erica advised as well as provided the Key Club Governor's name, Isaac Teran.

Motion Passed

Motion to approve \$915 2025 GATC budget for Governor Isaac Teran and DA Stephanie Whittecar to attend GATC.

Motion by Maple Levine/Div 2

2nd by Sharon Doyle/Div 10

No Opposed

Discussed what GATC was and why it was important for them to attend training.

Motion Passes

Motion was brought up by Alfie Kraus/Div 13 LTG and Sharon Doyle/Div 10 LTG that we needed to approve the appointment of Key Club DA replacement Stephanie Whittecar. Sighting Article 5 and Section 4 of the Bylaws as well as Policy 23 in Policy and Procedures. Barbara Gomez/Div 4 LTG stated that we at least need to have it in the official minutes tonight in case it ever came up again. Governor Don advised he was unaware that a new vote was required for a replacement appointment. He agrees to have it made official., and a motion was carried by Sharon Doyle/Div 10 and 2nd by Barbara Gomez/Div 4 LTG.

No Opposed

Some inquired about why the change was made. Governor Don requested that he be asked separate from this meeting, and he will advise as he was contacted by KI and made the change of appointment.

Motion Passed

Governor Don advised of his two upcoming Tequila Tuesdays:

- May 6th we will have Chris Martz with Kiwanis International in attendance and discuss Club Boosts with us. Governor Don has asked that all LTG's who have clubs under Charter Strength should receive a personal invitation to attend this Tequila Tuesday. If they do not want to grow, then don't waste your time. LTG's must talk to their clubs. If they are not willing to help themselves then we cannot help them. They need to be involved in helping their club. Barbara Gomez/Div 4 asked if you have a club that does not want to grow, does Kiwanis not have a requirement for them to maintain their charter. Governor Don advised that if that club won't help themselves and start to grow then start a club near them. Kiwanis sees paying members they will not pull the charter. Just form a club nearby. Lynne Gudin/Div 18 and International Trustee Jackie Sue provided information as well.
- June 3rd we will have Bryce Kinder with Kiwanis International in attendance and provide us with a virtual overview of the new program called Kiwanis Engage that is planned to be released on July 1st. Governor Don would recommend all Club Secretaries and Presidents to be in attendance. All will need to be trained.

Lynne Gudin/Div 18 LTG discussed the District Convention in Laughlin, NV from August 21-24. The theme is "Together we move forward." The cost will be \$200/per attendee and includes 3 meals (Friday night dinner is BBQ Dinner; Sunday Lunch is a Buffet and Saturday Dinner is Prime Rib Buffet dinner) \$65 of the registration can be paid through Kiwanis Service account. Lynne showed goodie bags and discussed freebies. During the LTG meeting any guest/spouse that attends will be \$55 for the meal. Rooms are \$70.88/night if you stay from (Tuesday-Thursday/Sunday-Monday) and \$104.63/night for Friday and Saturday. Big Mouth Media is working on programs. There is free parking, however valet is available, and a tip is appreciated.

The issue she advised is the space is limited to certain rooms. No children under 21 can attend. There will be local Key Club members attending the Kiwanis luncheon. They will be escorted through a private entrance. When it is over they will be escorted back out the same way. They are not going past that area according to Nevada law. Also, no outside food is to come to the meeting rooms. That is also Nevada law. No Vegan option or Gluten Free option is available at all. There is a vegetarian option available on the menu. Roadrunner Auction is not possible onsite due to this being a casino and is seen as competition. So, Lynne recommended that we have an online option. It has been done before. We need to see how the Foundation can make

this work. CK asked when the registration form will be available. Governor Elect Erica advised by early next week at the latest as she is working with webmaster Ryan to get this done. Vice Governor Barbara Mizelle gave Lynne Gudin kudos for all of her questioning.

International Trustee Jackie Sue provided her thoughts concerning Kiwanis Engage and how she hopes it finally comes to be, but she was not holding her breath as we have been waiting for it for a while. It is supposed to be released to clubs on July 1st. She did advise that it is supposed to be open to a select few Secretaries to test it out for a couple of weeks to try to find issues or ask questions that will help everyone else when they come onboard so we have a better experience. She further stated it is going to be a very robust system. She looks forward to having our feedback on how the experience has been for us. She also shared information on the low attendance at the International Convention in Pittsburgh and we only have 921 attendees registered, which is low. She stated that it is because of the political environment in the United States and in the world as there are several countries that have asked their citizens not to visit the United States. Along with the rising cost of many things is causing the United States residence are having a hard time justifying the cost. She asks that you encourage those who can register to attend. It should be a great event.

CK asked if there was a plan to replace the Executive Director. Governor Don advised this is being worked on. The Executive Director and Treasurer will be separated as the combined position is too much for one person, Don advised this should have been done years ago when we found out the previous Executive Director Kenn Garley could not do the Treasurer position proficiently. Governor Don also reiterated if anyone wants information on the replacement of Key Club DA please send him a text, email or call him and he will discuss it with them. He has Sharon Doyle on his list already to reach out to. If you have questions concerning District Convention, reach out to him or Lynne Gudin.

Alfie asked about the June Tequila Tuesday discussion and was advised it will be in minutes. Terry Coyle advised he will be unavailable for Tequila Tuesday events. Alfie recommended that we have it recorded and send the link to those who cannot attend. Lynne Gudin stated that we send it to those who couldn't attend. Governor Elect recommended that we upload it to the YouTube channel like we previously have, and Governor Don agreed with Governor Elect. The meeting was adjourned.

Adjourned @ 6:57pm Next SWD Board Meeting May 19, 2025 @ 6PM/7PM Zoom

Moved next Board meeting up a week due to the following week being on Memorial Day!