

MINNESOTA-DAKOTAS KIWANIS DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
"MINUTES"

Doublewood Inn, Fargo, North Dakota
Friday, August 13, 2010

Members present:

Executive Officers (voting members)

Bruce Klair, Governor
Lowell Disrud, Governor Elect
Bill Lardy, Immediate Past Governor
Steve Handegaard, District Secretary/Treasurer

Lt. Governors 2009-2010 (voting members)

Susie Kapelovitz	Region 1
Colleen Hyde	Region 2
Scott Mescher	Region 3
Sharon Scudder	Region 4
Lyle Terveen	Region 5
Mary Lou Drahota	Region 6
Denis Cornell	Region 7

Lt. Governors Elect 2009-2010

David Roehl	Region 2
Donald Kennedy	Region 4
Leo Schatz	Region 5
Dawn Fairbrother	Region 6
Barbara Winfield	Region 7

Immediate Past Lt. Governors 2009-2010

Darlene Vander Vorst	Region 1
Mary Sieling	Region 2
Marwin Bogue	Region 3
Allen Herrboldt	Region 5
Judie Rosendahl	Region 6
Marjorie Frost	Region 7

District Directors

Colleen Hyde	Administration
F. Larry Rittgarn	Education (and District Convention Co-Director)
Mary Sieling	Service
Vickie Walters	TAG/Membership/New Club Building

Other Guests Present

Stewart Ross	Kiwanis International Trustee
Oscar Knight	Kiwanis International Trustee Designate
Stephanie Ursini	Area Director, Kiwanis International
Jack Zierdt	Campaign Manager - Stewart Ross for International Vice-President

- Call to Order – Following breakfast the meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m. by Governor Bruce Klair.
- Pledge of Allegiance led by Bill Lardy, Immediate Past Governor
- Invocation by Lowell Disrud, Governor Elect
- Introductions were made by Governor Bruce Klair
- Governor Bruce announced that Roger Willers, Lt. Governor from Region 2 has resigned and that Colleen Hyde has agreed to fulfill the remainder of his term as Lt. Governor for 2009-2010 and Immediate Past Governor for 2010-2011. Bill Lardy moved that the district board elect Colleen Hyde as Lt. Governor. Motion was seconded and approved.
- Approval of the Minutes of the last board meeting. A motion was made by Sharon Scudder and seconded to accept the January, 2010 Board Meeting minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously.
- Secretary/Treasurer's Report –
 - According to KI our beginning membership on October 1, 2009 was 5733 members. As of June 30 membership count is 5564. On September 30, 2010 Kiwanis International will give us an official ending membership total for the Kiwanis year.
 - A Financial Report of the District accounts is sent to all board members and others every month via email. Currently budget is in good shape, but income continues to decline as membership declines.
 - Board members were reminded to continue promoting club donations to Outreach. A monthly summary of Outreach donations is sent to all board members.
 - All district expense vouchers for the 09-10 year must be submitted to the district office by no later than September 30.
 - Lt. Governors were encouraged to check the online Kiwanis Portal often. Currently they can view monthly club reports, club election reports and the distinguished club tracker online.
 - Lt. Governors were reminded of importance of making the three required visits to clubs in their region.
 - Lt. Governors were reminded that many clubs have not submitted their club election reports.
- Remarks from Oscar Knight, Kiwanis International Trustee Counselor 2010-2011
 - Extended greetings from Kiwanis International.
 - Indicated that he is very interested in learning more about our “Triad” form of district leadership.
 - Thanked everyone for their hospitality.
- Governor Bruce briefly explained the time table for the new world service project – ELIMINATE. Kiwanis International will be officially kicking off the project at the 2011 International Convention in Geneva, Switzerland.

- Governor Bruce reviewed the status of membership and clubs.
 - Regions 4 and 5 up in membership.
 - Club Building efforts being made in the following areas: Tea, SD; Apple Valley, MN; Champlain, MN; Marshall, MN.
 - Crow River, Satellite of St. Cloud is struggling.
 - Red Wing Golden K has started a club satellite with staff at a correctional facility.
 - Tracy Kiwanis Club has helped to sponsor a club in Kathmandu, Nepal.
 - Next year Bruce Klair will be serving as the District Director of Club Building.
 - Bill Lardy, Chuck Schroder and Bruce Klair also serve on the Kiwanis International Growth Committee.

- Jack Zierdt, Campaign Manager for “Stewart Ross for International Vice-President” asked the board for support of the resolution that will also be presented to the House of Delegates on Saturday. Bill Lardy moved to approve the resolution. Seconded and carried. The resolution reads as follows:

The Minnesota-Dakotas District of Kiwanis International expresses appreciation for the wise and enthusiastic leadership of Kiwanis International Trustee Stewart Ross and supports him as a candidate for Kiwanis International Vice President at the Kiwanis International Convention in New Orleans in 2012.

- Exchange of Lt. Governor Banners
- Mary Sieling, District Service Chair reviewed this year’s District Convention Service Project with the Fargo YWCA.
- Vickie Walters, New Club Building/Membership/TAG Director thanked all the clubs that did their membership drives and expressed thanks for dividing up the Membership, NCB and TAG responsibilities for 2010-2011.
- Colleen Hyde, District Administration Director reminded Lt. Governors to stay on top of club election reports. Colleen suggested the Regional Administration Directors might also be able to help remind clubs of these reports. She also reviewed the District Newsletter and Brochure contest.
- International Trustee Stewart Ross comments:
 - Explained the new system for selecting Master Trainers in each district. All persons that are interested are being asked to apply to Kiwanis International. Former Master Trainers will not be “grandfathered” into the new system.
 - Discussed the new online version of CLE and how it relates to the in-person type CLE session. We need to officially decide if the online version can stand alone.
- Immediate Past Governor, Bill Lardy reminded the Lt. Governors need to stay close to those clubs that are very small in membership. They are doing important work and they need to know that we care about the important work they do.
- Closing remarks by Governor Bruce Klair
 - Thanked everyone for their leadership and support.
 - Expressed appreciation for great hospitality shown to him and Phyllis during their travels around the district.

- Meeting adjourned at 9:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen K. Handegaard
District Secretary/Treasurer
Minnesota-Dakotas District
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