

**MINUTES OF THE FINAL OFFICIAL MEETING OF THE 2005-06 BOARD OF
TRUSTEES OF THE FLORIDA DISTRICT OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL –
RENAISSANCE ORLANDO RESORT AT SEA WORLD, ORLANDO, FLORIDA
THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2006**

Call to Order:

The Final Official Meeting of the 2005-2006 Board of Trustees of the Florida District of Kiwanis International was called to order at 1:05 p.m. by Governor Batelaan. The Board Meeting was held in conjunction with the 89th Annual Convention of the Florida District of Kiwanis International in Orlando, Florida.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Governor-elect Yorston led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation:

The invocation was given by Treasurer Taylor.

Roll Call:

Executive Director Langguth's roll call recorded the 2005-06 District Board Members' attendance:

2005-06 Trustees Present:

Governor Donna Batelaan
Governor-Elect Phil Yorston
Immediate Past Governor Bill Rushing
Past Governor Bob Fowinkle
Past Governor Larry Krasulak
Treasurer Mark C. Taylor
Executive Director George F. Langguth
Division 1 Lt. Governor Jack Van Ord
Division 3 Lt. Governor Brenda G. Sorensen
Division 4 Lt. Governor Judy Becker
Division 5 Lt. Governor William P. Montgomery
Division 6 Lt. Governor Cris Keller
Division 7 Lt. Governor Allen D. Whetsell
Division 8 Lt. Governor Dale R. Miller
Division 9 Lt. Governor Claire Y. Souliere
Division 10 Lt. Governor Michael D. Patience
Division 11 Lt. Governor Gerald P. Searle
Division 12 Lt. Governor Harold M. Edwards
Division 13 Lt. Governor Ray W. Watson

Division 14 Lt. Governor Eddie L. Jenkins
Division 15 Lt. Governor Kathryn Koch
Division 16 Lt. Governor William F. “Nick” Taylor
Division 17 Lt. Governor Dana Reed
Division 18N Lt. Governor Jo Rita Stevens
Division 18S Lt. Governor Linda Caviness
Division 19 Lt. Governor Harris Segel
Division 20 Lt. Governor Judith M. Roulis
Division 21 Lt. Governor Robert A. Parton, Jr.
Division 22 Lt. Governor Carol Fries
Division 23 Lt. Governor James C. Hayden
Division 24 Lt. Governor Stephen P. Cummings
Division 26 Lt. Governor Charles R. Gugliuzza

2004-05 Trustees Absent:

Division 2 Lt. Governor Martin E. Coates, Jr.
Division 25 Lt. Governor Eva C. Barreto

Quorum:

Executive Director Langguth confirmed the presence of a quorum of the 2005-06 District Board for the conduct of business.

International Representation:

The Kiwanis International Board was represented by Kiwanis International Trustee Fred Bishop, the assigned International Board Counselor to the 2006-07 Florida District Board of Trustees. Fred and his wife, Pauline, participated fully in the convention.

Acknowledgement of Guests:

Governor Batelaan acknowledged the guests observing the Florida Kiwanis Board of Trustees Meeting.

Approval of the June 29, 2006 Board Meeting Minutes:

Lt. Governor Caviness made a motion to approve the Minutes of the June 29, 2006 Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Fries and carried. (MOTION #1)

Approval of Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual for Oct. 1, 2005-August 14, 2006:

Treasurer Taylor reviewed the Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual Report for the period from Oct. 1, 2005 thru August 14, 2006. He stated that the income line items for dues and new member add fees were below projections, but that staff was doing everything possible to control expenses in order to maintain a year end surplus.

Lt. Governor Van Ord made a motion to approve the Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual Report for the period from October 1, 2005 thru August 14, 2006. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Hayden and carried. (MOTION #2)

Key Club and CKI 2006-07 Operational Budgets:

Treasurer Taylor told the Board that the 2006-07 Operational Budgets for Key Club and CKI were not ready for presentation at this time. He stated that both organizations would continue to operate under the budget assumptions of the 2005-06 budgets until the 2006-07 budgets could be prepared, reviewed and approved.

Executive Director Langguth stated that he would be seeking input for the Key Club budget from Key Club Administrator Matthew Cantrall; Key Club Governor Jennifer Griffith and Key Club Financial Advisor George Leonard.

Executive Director Langguth stated that he would be seeking input for the CKI budget from CKI Administrator Wade Shrack; CKI Governor Jennilyn Thiboult; and CKI Financial Advisor Carol Fries.

Close of Kiwanis Family Fiscal Years on 9-30-06:

Executive Director Langguth and Treasurer Taylor reminded the Board that Kiwanis operates on a modified cash basis accounting system and that on September 30, 2006 all accounts will be closed and no further transactions will be able to be conducted. Any officers seeking reimbursement were reminded of the deadline. Requests for funds received after September 30, 2006 will not be granted.

Report of Delinquencies:

Executive Director Langguth reminded the Board to check the progress of online monthly reporting. He stated that it is the obligation of clubs filing their monthly reports manually to provide a copy to the Lt. Governors.

New Club Building Progress Report:

Governor Batelaan recognized the following Lt. Governors and Divisions for their efforts:

Lt. Governor Becker, Division. 4. Kiwanis Club of Baker County.

Lt. Governor Segel, Division 19. Kiwanis Club of Fort Myers - Metro
Lt. Governor Fries, Division 22. Kiwanis Club of Golden Gate Estates.

Membership Growth and Retention:

Governor Batelaan called on Past Governor Rushing who has been tracking membership growth for the 2005-06 administrative year.

Past Governor Rushing stated that it appears as if the Florida District membership is presently down 100 +/- members. He also reported that he had only received 68% of the reports from the Lt. Governors.

Past Governor Rushing asked the Lt. Governors how many of their clubs would do what they requested of them. He said that every division could still grow 97 members by October 1 if every club would simply invite prospects to join. He stated that 1 in 4 guests join Kiwanis when asked.

He said that our failure to grow was attributable to only 1 thing...a failure to ask people to join.

Resolution on Behalf of Early Childhood Immunizations:

Governor Batelaan reviewed a proposed resolution for presentation to the House of Delegates at the 89th Annual Florida District Convention. She asked the Board for adoption of the Resolution so that it could be presented to the House without a formal motion, second or reading.

Lt. Governor Whetsell made a motion that the Board present the resolution to the delegate body. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Keller and carried. The Board's position was reported to the House of Delegates and the published resolution distributed to every delegate. (MOTION #3)

Board Invitation to District Social and Dinner Functions:

Lt. Governor Fries made a motion that single Board Members be allowed to invite no more than 1 person to accompany them to District Social and Dinner functions as their guest, at the District's expense, if the District customarily pays for two people in married or committed partnerships, provided that the additional cost does not include housing costs. Lt. Governor Parton seconded the motion. The motion was subsequently amended to exclude District Convention Registration and Meal fees. The effective date of the policy was established as October 1, 2006. The motion, as amended, carried. (MOTION #4)

Administrative Structure Report:

Governor Batelaan welcomed Kiwanis International Trustee Bishop and asked him to share the preliminary recommendations of the Committee on Administrative Structure. Trustee Bishop stressed that the International Board wished to provide opportunities for questions and answers and meaningful input during the convention and that no formal action had been taken by the International Board on the recommendations of the Committee.

Governor Batelaan informed the Board that Fred Bishop and Past International President Bob Moore had served on the Committee that presented its report.

International Board Counselor Bishop stated that the Committee's report focused on 7 areas:

- I. Districts, Regions and Regional Service Centers - Proposed structure of 50 – 100 clubs with a Vice Governor; Governor; and Governor-elect. No District Offices; or District Dues. No Secretary, Treasurer or Lt. Governors.
- II. Federations - attempt to standardize the International Structure
- III. Officers and Duties of Officers – establish a dark year and a nominating committee and process for electing Vice President.
- IV. Board of Trustees- greater equity outside North America and Regionalize North America
- V. International Council – eliminate to reduce operational costs
- VI. International Convention – move closer to the end of the administrative year.
- VII. Committees - Recommending having legislative Conventions every third year.

International Trustee Bishop listened attentively and courteously as Board Member after Board Member raised questions and/or objections to the Committee's proposals, leading to the following motion: **Lt. Governor Searle made a motion that the Florida District Board of Trustees oppose all recommendations included in the Committees Official Report to the Kiwanis International Board. The motion was seconded by District Treasurer Taylor. The motion carried unanimously. Executive Director Langguth was directed to report the Board's position to the Delegates in the House of Delegates. (MOTION #5)**

Executive Director Langguth stated that he felt it was important to convey to the International Board that the District was addressing only the proposed changes as presented and was not expressing total inflexibility to future pursuit of ways to possibly strengthen the organization. Langguth also complimented International Trustee Bishop on his composure and willingness to listen without becoming defensive or argumentative. He said that he had previously served on this Committee with Fred and could vouch for his unquestioned integrity and concern for the betterment of Kiwanis. Langguth quipped that he was glad his term had expired.

Executive Director Langguth made a motion to encourage the International Board to continue studying ways of improving the organization, which might or might not address structure, with an eye toward strengthening the local club and its quality of service while serving the children of the world. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Fries and carried. (MOTION #6)

Closing Comments by International Board Counselor Fred Bishop:

International Trustee Bishop was highly complimentary of the new club building contributions made by International Vice President Canaday to the Florida District. He stated that Canaday was an excellent new club builder and membership recruiter and that Florida was fortunate to benefit from his enthusiasm.

Trustee Bishop stressed the importance of building new clubs, stating that new clubs are historically 50% male and 50% female and that Districts rarely experience growth without significant gains in new clubs.

Bishop congratulated International Foundation President Stan Storey on his service to the Foundation and on his election as 2006-09 International Board Trustee.

Trustee Bishop complimented the District on its outstanding publication, *The Florida Kiwanian*. He stated that we should strive to publish successful growth stories to encourage others and demonstrate the relative ease of which membership growth can be accomplished with a workable plan.

Trustee Bishop explained the effective membership date of 9-30-2006 and that membership will be based on paid membership and paid new member adds processed by the International Office by 9-3-2006. Governor-elect Yorston said that he expected Kiwanis International to provide access to the District of these numbers for every club on, or immediately following, September 30, 2006.

Trustee Bishop said that he had clearly received the Board's concern and its very direct message on the Administrative Structure Committee Recommendations. He said that the Florida District had been more critical than others of the Committee's recommendations. He stated that although he personally thought the Board's motion was probably premature, he would share Florida's input with the International Board and Staff.

Governor Batelaan's Closing Remarks:

Governor Batelaan presented a Certificate and a gift of Appreciation to Trustee Bishop. She complimented him on his composure under fire and his positive attitude.

Governor Batelaan addressed the Board saying, *“Thank you for all that you have done. Each of you has been tireless in fulfilling the District’s goals and addressing accessibility issues for our travels around the District. Dave and I thank you from the bottom of our hearts, especially for your efforts on behalf of the March of Dimes. That was truly our proudest accomplishment.”*

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Certification:

Copies of these Minutes have been forwarded to Kiwanis International Executive Director, Rob Parker; Kiwanis International Director of Member Services, Joan Wilson; Sarah Taft, Osburn, Henning and Company, Certified Public Accountants, P.A., Kiwanis’ officially designated Auditors; and permanently filed in the Official Records of the Florida District of Kiwanis International, Inc., at its headquarters at 5545 Benchmark Lane, Sanford, FL 32773-8116.

George F. Langguth, Executive Director/District Secretary
The Florida District of Kiwanis International

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