

**MINUTES OF THE FIRST OFFICIAL MEETING OF THE 2008-09 BOARD
OF TRUSTEES OF THE FLORIDA DISTRICT OF KIWANIS
INTERNATIONAL – HYATT REGENCY JACKSONVILLE
RIVERFRONT HOTEL – SUNDAY, AUGUST 24, 2008**

Call to Order:

Governor Dave Liddell called the First Official Meeting of the 2008-2009 Board of Trustees of the Florida District of Kiwanis International to order at 10:35 a.m. The Board Meeting was being held in conjunction with the Florida District Convention in Jacksonville, Florida.

Pledge of Allegiance:

District Treasurer Ramiccio led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation:

Governor-Elect Parton gave the invocation.

Roll Call:

Executive Director Langguth's roll call recorded the 2008-09 District Board Members' attendance:

2008-09 Trustees Present:

Governor Dave Liddell
Governor-Elect Donna Parton
Immediate Past Governor Mark Taylor
Past Governor Phil Yorston
Past Governor Donna Batelaan
Treasurer Tom Ramiccio
Executive Director George F. Langguth
Division 1 Lt. Governor Michael Paris
Division 3 Lt. Governor Keith Roberts
Division 4 Lt. Governor Jonathan Earle
Division 5 Lt. Governor Brad Davis
Division 6 Lt. Governor Jack Cristwell
Division 8 Lt. Governor Chris Namislo
Division 9 Lt. Governor Richard Root
Division 10 Lt. Governor Gene Leonard
Division 11 Lt. Governor Brenda Van Nest
Division 12 Lt. Governor Amanda Saguil
Division 13 Lt. Governor Judy Nicholson
Division 14 Lt. Governor Denise McDaniel

Division 15 Lt. Governor Jim Meyer
Division 16 Lt. Governor Bill Hansen
Division 18N Lt. Governor Gerard Ezcurra
Division 18S Lt. Governor Linda Pickrell
Division 19 Lt. Governor Kathy Woolston
Division 20 Lt. Governor Charles Smith
Division 21 Lt. Governor John Sullivan
Division 22 Lt. Governor Marty Lawton
Division 23 Lt. Governor Ken Whyte
Division 24 Lt. Governor John Blum
Division 25 Lt. Governor Maria Cruz
Division 26 Lt. Governor Aquilles Solano

2008-09 Trustees Absent:

Division 2 Lt. Governor Darrin Wall
Division 7 Lt. Governor Mario Grasso
Division 17 Lt. Governor Rob Streitz

Quorum:

Executive Director Langguth confirmed the presence of a quorum for the conduct of business.

International Representation:

The Kiwanis International Board was represented at the Board Meeting by Kiwanis International Trustee , Bascom Allen. Kiwanis International Controller, Bill Parker and Area Director, Rhonda Vrell represented the International Office Staff.

Acknowledgement of Guests and Opening Comments:

Governor Liddell thanked the guests for attending and congratulated the board on its election.

Approval of Dates and Locations of 2008-09 Kiwanis Family Conferences and Conventions:

August 29-31, 2008

CKI Leadership Training Conference
Camp Kiwanis, Ocala, FL

September 13, 2008

International President's Official Visit #1
Susan B. Katz Theatre
Pembroke Pines, FL

September 20, 2008

International President's Official Visit #2

Lakewood Ranch High School Auditorium
Bradenton, FL

October 10-11, 2008

CKI IDEAS Conference
University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL

October 17-19, 2008

KEY LEADER Weekend
Camp Aurora, Lake Wales, FL

January 2-4, 2009

Key Club Winter Board Meeting
FFA Leadership Camp, Haines City, FL

January 17, 2009

Zone 5 Conference – Divisions 20,21,22,23,24,25,26
Susan B. Katz Theatre
Pembroke Pines, FL

January 24, 2009 Date Changed by Governor Liddell to January 10, 2009 (10-8-08)

Second Official Meeting of the Florida District Board of Trustees
Kiwanis District Office, Sanford, FL 10:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

January 31, 2009

Zone 4 Conference – Divisions 8,12,13,14,15,17,18N,18S,19
Seeking Location - Clubs participating in the Fort Myers Festival of Lights in Div. 19 may attend Zone Conference of their choice.

February 7, 2009

Zone 2 Conference – Divisions 3,4,5,6
Seeking Location

February 20-22, 2009

Florida District of CKI Annual Convention
Wyndham Orlando Resort – Orlando, FL

February 28, 2009

Zone 3 Conference – Divisions 7,9,10,11,16
Seeking Location

March 7, 2009

Zone 1 Conference – Divisions 1 & 2
Northwest Florida College, Niceville, FL

March 21, 2009

District-wide Certified Training Session for CLE Trainers
Kiwanis District Office, Sanford, FL 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

April 16-19, 2009

Florida District Key Club Convention –
Rosen Shingle Creek Resort, Orlando, FL

May 1-3, 2009

Florida District Governor-elect's Training Conference for 2009-10 Lt. Governors
Wyndham Orlando Resort – Orlando, FL

May 1-2, 2009

Florida Kiwanis Foundation's Training Conference for 2009-10 Foundation Trustees
Wyndham Orlando Resort – Orlando, FL

May 23, 2009 Date changed by Governor-Elect to May 30, 2009.

Florida District Governor-elect's Training Conference for 2009-10 District Chairs
Florida Kiwanis District Office, Sanford, FL

June 5-7, 2009

Key Club Leadership Training Conference
Stetson University, De Land, FL

June 6, 2009

CLE Training for Even Numbered Divisions

June 13, 2009

CLE Training for Odd Numbered Divisions

June 24, 2009

Florida District 2008-09 Board of Trustees' Summer Meeting - Official Meeting #3
Held in Conjunction with the Kiwanis International Convention, Nashville, TN
1:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 24, 2009, Hilton Nashville Downtown Hotel, Nashville, TN

June 25 – June 28, 2009

Kiwanis International Convention, Nashville, TN
Early Registration Opens on June 25

July 31-August 2, 2009

Key Club Fall Board Meeting
FFA Leadership Training Center , Haines City, FL (Contract Pending)

August 27, 2009

Florida District 2009-10 Board of Trustees' Final Meeting – 1:00 p.m.
Rosen Centre Hotel, Orlando, FL

August 27-30, 2009

Florida Kiwanis District Convention
Rosen Centre Hotel, Orlando, FL

August 30, 2009

Florida District 2009-10 Board of Trustees' First Official Meeting – 10:30 a.m.
Rosen Centre Hotel, Orlando, FL

Lt. Governor Roberts made a motion to approve the Kiwanis Family Calendar dates for 2008-09. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Saguil and carried.

Approval of Authorized Signers on Kiwanis Family Accounts:

Lt. Governor Cristwell made a motion to approve the authorized signers of the Kiwanis Family Accounts. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Ezcurra and carried.

- a. Governor, Executive Director/District Secretary or Treasurer for Kiwanis Accts.
- b. Kiwanis Executive Director for Foundation SLP Accts. Fdtn. Pres. Emergency Signer
- c. Kiwanis Executive Director for Key Club and CKI Accts. Kiwanis Treas. as Emergency Signer.

Approval of 2008-09 District Committee Chair Appointments:

Lt. Governor Hansen made a motion to approve Governor Liddell's 2008-09 District Committee Chair Appointments. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Root and carried.

Approval of Appointments to Long Range Finance Committee:

Lt. Governor Smith made a motion to approve Governor Liddell's Appointments to the 2008-09 Long Range Finance Committee. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Namislo and carried.

- a. John Sullivan – Division 21
- b. Ken Whyte – Division 23

Appointment of Bylaws & Policies & Procedures Review Committee:

Governor Liddell announced that he had appointed Lt. Governor Namislo, Lt. Governor Leonard and Lt. Governor Meyer to the Bylaws and Policies and Procedures Review Committee.

Lt. Governor Leonard made a motion to approve Governor Liddell's appointments to the Bylaws and Policies and Procedures Review Committee. The motion was seconded by Lt.

Governor Saguil and carried. Also serving on the Committee are Allen Levin, Chair and Past Governors Taylor and Batelaan.

Adoption of 2008-09 Florida Kiwanis Family Operational Budgets:

a. Ratification of 2007-08 District Board Action on Kiwanis 2008-09 Budget

Lt. Governor Sullivan made a motion to ratify the 2007-08 District Board's approval of the 2008-09 Florida Kiwanis Operating Budget.. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Pickrell and carried.

Executive Director Langguth reminded Board Members that to qualify for eligible reimbursement for District and International conventions, they must attend the Board Meeting held in conjunction with the conventions.

b. Approval of 2008-09 Key Club Budgets

Lt. Governor Saguil made a motion to ratify the 2007-08 District Board's approval of the Key Club Operational and Convention budgets for 2008-09. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Nicholson.

Lt. Governor Cruz and Past Governor Yorston each posed questions to Key Club Administrator Bob Parton and Executive Director Langguth. Administrator Parton acknowledged that donations for UNICEF will be eliminated from the budget since the Kiwanis International Foundation is to receive all contributions directly from clubs and individuals. He stated that this was brought to his attention at the final Board Meeting of the 2007-08 Board by 2007-08 Lt. Governor Carmen Calzon. He stated that he would make that correction to the budget.

Governor Liddell stated that he believed it best to act on the Key Club Operational and Convention budgets separately.

Lt. Governor Cruz made a motion to table approval of the 2008-09 Key Club District Operational Budget until the January 24, 2009 Florida Kiwanis District Board Meeting. Past Governor Yorston seconded the motion. Following additional discussions the motion to table was defeated.

Following the defeat of the motion to table, the Key Club Operational Budget was approved, with Lt. Governor Cruz opposed.

Discussion then shifted to the Key Club Convention Budget. Lt. Governor Saquil made a motion to approve the Key Club Convention budget for 2008-09. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor McDaniel.

Lt. Governor Cruz questioned whether or not the convention budget had been reviewed and approved by the Key Club District Board or Key Club Convention Chairman. Administrator

Parton acknowledged that the Key Club District Board had not approved the budgets, but he stated that this was generally the practice.

Immediate Past Governor Taylor stated that the 2007-08 Key Club District Budgets were prepared during a meeting on July 19, 2007 at the Kiwanis District Office attended by 2007-08 Key Club District Administrator Carmen Calzon, Key Club Financial Advisor Bill Rushing, Kiwanis Executive Director George Langguth and himself. He stated that the Key Club convention surplus from the following year was used to reduce the cost of the 2008 District Convention and that 2008-09 Key Club District Administrator Bob Parton had prepared the 2009 Key Club Convention budget using the same principle and the 2007-08 Key Club convention surplus to reduce the registration fee. Governor Taylor explained that the Key Club District Bylaws dictate that convention surpluses be used to reduce the registration fee of succeeding conventions.

Administrator Parton and Immediate Past Governor Taylor stated that the Key Club Board would work with the operational and convention budget at its Winter Board Meeting and was free to ask the Kiwanis Board for adjustments at the next Kiwanis Board Meeting.

The discussion returned to the motion by Lt. Governors Saguil and McDaniel. The Key Club Convention budget for 2008-09 was approved unanimously.

c. **Approval of 2008-09 CKI Budget.**

Lt. Governor Saguil made a motion to ratify the 2007-08 Kiwanis Board's approval of the 2008-09 CKI District Budgets. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Nicholson.

Past Governor Yorston stated that he believed there might have been minor adjustments to the CKI Budgets on Thursday night, but a review of the tape recording of Thursday evening shows that no adjustments were made by the 2007-08 Kiwanis District Board to the CKI budgets and that they were approved as presented with the exception of the year appearing on the budget being changed to 2008-09.

Lt. Governor Cruz asked CKI Financial Advisor Rushing why line item 602 was reduced from the previous year? Financial Counselor Rushing stated that it was simply adjusted by revenue projections.

Lt. Governor Cruz asked what Outreach and Gifts, Line Item 655, was. It was explained that it was a way for Kiwanis Clubs and individuals to support CKI that do not have the opportunity to directly sponsor a club. CKI Outreach is a formal program of the Florida CKI Board.

The 2008-09 CKI District Budgets were approved without dissent.

Creation of 2008-09 Executive Committee:

Immediate Past Governor Taylor made a motion to approve the creation of the 2008-09 Executive Committee. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Davis and carried.

As created the Executive Committee is composed of Governor, Governor-elect, Treasurer, Executive Director, 2 Immediate Past Governors and 3 Lt. Governors, who are elected by the 27 Lt. Governors.

Nominations and Election of the 2008-09 Executive Committee:

Lt. Governors Saguil, Ezcurra, Blum and Cruz offered themselves as candidates for the Executive Committee. Following a ballot vote of their peers, Lt. Governor Saguil, Ezcurra and Blum were elected by the Lt. Governors to serve on the 2008-09 Executive Committee.

Nominations and Election to the Personnel Committee:

Governor Liddell stated that the District Personnel Committee is composed of: Governor, serving as Chair; Immediate Past Kiwanis Governors; Governor-Elect, serving as Vice Chair; Treasurer; 2 Lt. Governors from the Immediate Past District Board; 2 Lt. Governors from the Current District Board to serve a 2 year term; and 2 Kiwanis members appointed by, and serving at the pleasure of the District Secretary/Executive Director.

Governor Liddell stated that 2 Lt. Governors are to be elected to the Personnel Committee for a two year term by the 27 Lt. Governors.

Lt. Governors Earle, Cristwell, Root and Cruz offered themselves as candidates for the Personnel Committee. Following a ballot vote of their peers, Lt. Governors Cristwell and Root were elected by the Lt. Governors to serve on the 2008-09 Personnel Committee.

Lt. Governor Report Deadlines:

a. Report of Training and Contact Visits and Reimbursement Request (2 forms)

Due December 1, 2008. Reimbursement request must be submitted with report.
Reports more than 30 days delinquent are ineligible for reimbursement.

b. Report of Official Club Visit & Reimbursement Request (2 forms)

Due March 31, 2009. Reimbursement request must be submitted with report.
Reports more than 30 days delinquent are ineligible for reimbursement.

c. Report of Official Board Visit & Reimbursement Request (2 forms)

Due May 31, 2009. Reimbursement request must be submitted with report.
Reports more than 30 days delinquent are ineligible for reimbursement.

d. Verification of Division Election Reports of 2009-10 & 2010-11 Lt. Governors, and election of Foundation Trustee in odd numbered divisions.

Final Due Date: April 30, 2009. Preferred Due Date: January 15, 2009.

e. Report of Club Elections

Report due from clubs by June 1, 2009. Elections to be held between March 15th and April 30th.

f. Lt. Governor's Monthly Report of Activities

File with your Lt. Governor Liaison by the 12th of each month.

Report of Steering Committee Chair Bill Rushing

Past Governor Rushing spoke as Chair of the Steering Committee on behalf of the candidacy of Stan Storey running for 2009-10 Kiwanis International Vice President. He stated that the Committee and the Board needed to help Kiwanians understand the role and importance of the Committee in reviewing candidates and legislation to help them make the best informed decision.

Chairman Rushing stated that the District had done a poor job in keeping the delegates informed of our positions and in meeting our commitment to other districts. He stated that he and the Committee accepted full responsibility for not educating our delegates and keeping them informed of our selection process.

Remarks by Key Club Governor Travis Benaiges:

Governor Benaiges shared the Key Club District's goals for 2008-09 and asked each Kiwanis Board Member to work closely with their Key Club counter-part. Other goals include a year end 2008-09 membership of 15,000 Key Clubbers; one new Key Club in every division; and total K-Family participation in his Governor's Project.

Governor Benaiges called on Key Club Webmaster Michael Murgado and Key Club Assistant Administrator Tom Freiwald who distributed a Key Club Resource CD which they had developed. Governor Benaiges, Webmaster Murgado and Key Club Convention Asst. Administrator Freiwald stressed the professionalism of the CD and asked the Kiwanis Board to acquaint itself with its contents.

Remarks by Florida Kiwanis Foundation President Laura Beagles:

Foundation President Beagles encouraged the Kiwanis Lt. Governors to work together in tandem with their Foundation Trustees. She said as she observed the Key Club presentations by Governor Benaiges and Webmaster Murgado, "What makes our work so special is seeing the growth and development of our Key Club leaders and the leaders of our other Service Leadership Programs. President Beagles stressed the serious financial commitment of the Florida Kiwanis Foundation to our Service Leadership programs and grants program and that continued funding for these programs requires expanded commitment to the Annual Gift Campaign, the Caring Corner and the more significant giving opportunities to the Florida Kiwanis Foundation.

Quotas for 2008-09 Kiwanis Conferences and Conventions:

Lt. Governor Sullivan made a motion to establish the following quotas for Kiwanis Conferences and Conventions. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Leonard and carried.

5% of club's membership at International Convention in Nashville, TN.
10% of club's membership at District Convention in Orlando, FL.
20% of club's membership at Zone Conferences.
20% of club's membership at Governor's Official Visit.

Excused Absences for Clubs Registered for the 2008 District Convention in Jacksonville that determined it was too dangerous to travel, in light of Tropical Storm Fay.

Immediate Past Governor Taylor asked the Board to consider crediting those clubs that were registered for the 2008 District Convention in Jacksonville, FL as having been considered as attending. He stated that clubs, not pre-registered for the convention, should not be credited for attending.

Lt. Governor Paris made a motion to recognize the attendance of pre-registered clubs who felt it unsafe to travel. The motion was seconded by Lt. Governor Whyte and carried. Registered 2008-09 Presidents and Secretaries planning on attending CLE Training on Friday during the Convention will also be credited for CLE training. 2008-09 Presidents and Secretaries who had not attended CLE and were not registered for the Jacksonville Convention shall not be credited for CLE attendance.

District Board Reimbursement and Close of Fiscal Year:

Executive Director Langguth reminded the Board that the 2007-08 fiscal year closes on September 30, 2008 and that any eligible reimbursement requests must reach the District Office, with supporting documentation, by the September 30 deadline or forfeited.

Remarks by International Board Counselor Bascom Allen:

Board Counselor Allen thanked the Board and the District for its hospitality. Counselor Allen said "I will call each of you and each of your club presidents". Trustee Allen stressed that the next 40 days are extremely important and that the 2008-09 Board could be a tremendous boost to the success of Immediate Past Governor Taylor and his 2007-08 Board.

Trustee Allen said that many people leave Kiwanis because they are under-utilized and unappreciated. He said there are many other contributing factors to leaving Kiwanis including: illness, finances, non-attendance, job loss and simply getting out of the routine of attending meetings. He stressed, we have to make Kiwanis fun; service meaningful; and friendships valued if we are going to improve the members' experience and stop the bleeding.

Board Counselor Allen said, "We don't have a membership problem...we have a leadership problem and people don't want to step forward to fill leadership positions.

Closing Comments by Governor Liddell:

Governor Liddell thanked the Board and through them, the entire District for its support of him in his loss of Nancy. He said thanks for caring, it was not an easy choice to continue and he thanked Lt. Governor Cruz for coming to the convention, having just been released from the hospital. He thanked the District for its compassion and asked for a moment of personal privilege to acknowledge Governor Taylor and First Lady Sharon for immediately coming to the hospital to be with him. He stated that 3 Past Governors were at the viewing at least 30 minutes prior to its scheduled start time. He said in the early evening hours more than 375 friends from Kiwanis and the churches he served arrived to offer their support. He said the church was packed the next day.

He acknowledged the compassion of the Key Club and CKI members and the support of the District Office Staff and he acknowledged the generosity of Past Governor Shrack who made it possible for him to attend the CKI International Convention in Denver. He said that he and Nancy always knew the Kiwanis Family was special, he just never knew how special.

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 Governance Specialist, Diana Rader O'Brien; 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