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The meeting of the Board of Trustees of Kiwanis International convened via Zoom, on Thursday, November 19, 2020. Those present were: Arthur N. Riley, President; Daniel Vigneron, Immediate Past President; Peter J. Mancuso, President-elect; Bert West, Vice President; Stan D. Soderstrom, Executive Director; Trustees Wilfredo G. Aguilar, Katrina J. Baranko, Gunnsteinn Björnsson, Gary Cooper, Kip Crain, George R. Delisle, Chuck Fletcher, Buheita Fujiwara, Elio Garozzo, David W. Hurrelbrink, Michael Mulhaul, Sam Sekhon, Ronald E. Smith, and Cathy Szymanski. Absent: Trustee Michel Fongue.

The meeting was called to order by President Arthur N. Riley on Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. (EDT) via Zoom.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The report of the 2020-21 Executive Committee, Arthur N. Riley, Chair, was presented. **(Tab 01)**

REPORT OF THE BOARD WORK GROUP ON CONVENTION ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

Upon recommendation of the Executive Committee, it was moved and adopted:

That the Kiwanis International Board endorses the concept of remote voting by delegates to the annual convention house of delegates, and that a proposal to amend the Kiwanis International bylaws for such be developed by the Governance Committee working with staff for consideration by the board at its January 2021 meeting.

INTERPRETATION OF VOTING DURING EMERGENCY DECLARATION

Upon recommendation of the Executive Committee, it was moved and adopted:

That the Kiwanis International Board elects to not make any interpretation of the bylaws regarding remote voting at the 2021 convention house of delegates; and furthermore, the board reinforces its previous decision to review the emergency condition declaration quarterly, and that if the declaration remains in place in April 2021, the board will 1) elect to hold the convention as planned with a house of delegates with a lower quorum, OR 2) cancel the convention and replace it with an educational conference and convene the Kiwanis International Council to conduct the business of the organization.

This completed the report of the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF BOARD COMMITTEE ON RISK MANAGEMENT

The report of the 2020-21 Board Committee on Risk Management, Peter Mancuso, Chair, was presented. **(Tab 02)**

No action was taken.

This completed the report of the Board Committee on Risk Management.

NEW BUSINESS

EXTENSION OF NEW MEMBER FEE WAIVER

The Executive Committee reviewed a request made by the Eastern Canada and the Caribbean District to extend the Kiwanis International new member enrollment fees for new members of existing Kiwanis clubs (excluding new clubs) from January 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021 (noted in Tab 01). The committee reviewed the proposal, but due to the continued economic uncertainties related to the pandemic, the committee elected not to put forth a recommendation to the board. During its meeting, the board discussed the matter and determined it should be referred to the Board Committees on Audit and Finance and Membership for further assessment.

Upon motion duly made by Vice President Bert West, and seconded, the following recommendation was adopted:

That the Kiwanis International Board refers the matter of waiving fees for new members joining existing clubs to the Board Committees on Audit and Finance and Membership.

The meeting adjourned sine die on Thursday, November 19, 2020, at 9:50 a.m. EST.