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KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
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MINUTES OF THE

MEETING OF THE KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 16, 2021

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of Kiwanis International convened via Zoom, Wednesday, June 16, 2021. 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, Gary Cooper, Kip Crain, George R. Delisle, Chuck Fletcher, Michel Fongue, Buheita Fujiwara, Elio Garozzo, David W. Hurrelbrink, Sam Sekhon, Ronald E. Smith, and Cathy Szymanski. Guests: Kenneth Alovera, Chair, Kiwanis Asia-Pacific and Jon-Fadri Huder, President, Kiwanis International-European Federation. Absent: Gunnsteinn Björnsson, Trustee.

The meeting was called to order by President Arthur N. Riley on Wednesday, June 16, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. EDT. An invocation was given by Ronald E. Smith.

The following reports were received:

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

The Report of the President, Arthur N. Riley, is attached as **Tab 01**.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

The Report of the President-Elect, Peter J. Mancuso, is attached as **Tab 02**.

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

The Report of the Vice President, Bert West, is attached as **Tab 03**.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Report of the Executive Director, Stan D. Soderstrom, is attached as **Tab 04**.

REPORT OF THE BOARD COUNSELOR TO CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL

The Report of the Board Counselor to Circle K International, Cathy Szymanski, is attached as **Tab 05**.

REPORT OF THE BOARD COUNSELOR TO KEY CLUB INTERNATIONAL

The Report of the Board Counselor to Key Club International, Gary Cooper, is attached as **Tab 06**.

GENERAL CONSENT ITEMS

The following recommendations were adopted without objection:

APPROVAL OF APRIL 24, 2021, MINUTES

That the Kiwanis International Board approves the minutes of the Board meeting held April 24, 2021, via Zoom meeting, as shown in Tab 07.

2021-22 KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEES

That the Kiwanis International Board approves the 2021-22 Kiwanis International Committees, as shown in Tab 08.

2021-22 KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL BOARD COMMITTEES

That the Kiwanis International Board approves the 2021-22 Kiwanis International Board Committees, as shown in Tab 09.

2021-22 KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL BOARD COUNSELOR ASSIGNMENTS

That the Kiwanis International Board approves the 2021-22 Kiwanis International Board Counselor assignments to districts, as shown in Tab 10.

CONFIRMATION OF 2022 KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION DATES AND LOCATION

That the Kiwanis International Board approves the site of Indianapolis, Indiana, USA, and the dates of June 8-11 for the 2022 Kiwanis International Convention.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Report of the 2020-21 Executive Committee, Arthur N. Riley, Chair.

No report presented.

REPORT OF THE BOARD COMMITTEE ON AUDIT AND FINANCE

The Report of the 2020-21 Board Committee on Audit and Finance, Bert West, Chair.

No report presented.

REPORT OF BOARD COMMITTEE ON LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION

The Report of the 2020-21 Board Committee on Leadership Development and Education, Katrina Baranko, Chair.

No report presented.

REPORT OF BOARD COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP

The Report of the 2020-21 Board Committee on Membership and Education, Sam Sekhon, Chair, was presented. **(Tab 11)**

DEFINITION OF AN INTERNET CLUB & CLUB NAMING PROCEDURE

Upon recommendation of the Board Committee on Membership, it was moved and adopted:

That the Kiwanis International Board approves the following changes to Procedure 301.4 – Club Name. This change shall be effective October 1, 2021.

301.4 - Club Name (4/15)

A. Official Name: To conform with the Bylaws, the official name of a Kiwanis club shall commence with the three words "Kiwanis Club of _____." The official name shall then be used for the club's articles of incorporation. The name of the club shall be lettered on the club banner as it appears in the club's bylaws.

(6/91)

~~**B. Geographic Location:** The club name shall include the city, geographical location, or corporate area, and may be followed by the unabbreviated name of the country, state, province, or territory. (Examples: Kiwanis Club of Calgary, Alberta, and Kiwanis Club of Santa Rosa, Philippines.) (6/91) (4/15)~~

~~**C. Honoring an Individual:** A Kiwanis club shall not be named to honor an individual. (Existing clubs as of April 2015 are grandfathered as exempt from this rule.) (1980) (4/15)~~

~~**D. Prohibitions:** A club shall not use in its name: a specific gender designation, such as the words "man/woman," "men/women," or "male/female," nor shall it use any designation which would impugn the good name of Kiwanis. A club's name shall not include: (10/90) (4/15)~~

- ~~• The name of an individual, living or deceased. (However, existing clubs as of April 2015 are grandfathered as exempt from this rule.)~~
- ~~• Any gendered language (including pronouns) or demographic descriptors.~~
- ~~• Any corporate or brand affiliation.~~
- ~~• Any wording which is incongruent with the Kiwanis Objects or which could reasonably impugn the good name of Kiwanis.~~

CONSIDERATION OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Upon recommendation of the Board Committee on Membership, it was moved and adopted:

That the Kiwanis International Board receives the reports of the following committees and requests that staff and/or the committee proceed on each matter as indicated in the Report of the Board Committee on Membership. Further, the Kiwanis International Board thanks and commends all committee members for nearly two years of work on their assigned topics toward improving membership growth for the organization.

- **Kiwanis International Membership Subcommittee on New Club Openings**
- **Kiwanis International Membership Subcommittee on Young Club Counseling**
- **Kiwanis International Membership Subcommittee on Club Strengthening**
- **Kiwanis International Membership Subcommittee on Innovative Approaches to Attracting Younger Members**

- **Kiwanis International Committee on Diversity, Equity & Inclusion**
- **Kiwanis International Committee on Kiwanis/JCI Global Partnership**

LIFE MEMBERSHIP IN KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL FOR FORMER KCI AND CKI PRESIDENTS

Upon recommendation of the Board Committee on Membership, it was moved and adopted:

That the Kiwanis International Board provides complimentary life membership to former presidents of Circle K International and Key Club International as follows. This shall be effective October 1, 2021, beginning with the leaders of the 2020-21 administrative year.

Procedure 198 – Complimentary Life Membership for Past Presidents of Key Club International and Circle K International

Kiwanis International provides complimentary life membership to former presidents of Key Club International and Circle K International by waiving Kiwanis International dues when they voluntary join a Kiwanis club of their choice and for such time that they continue as Kiwanis club members. All other applicable dues and fees shall remain payable, including club dues, district dues, the magazine subscription, and the insurance premium.

This completed the Report of the Board Committee on Membership.

REPORT OF BOARD COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RELATIONS, IMAGE AND MARKETING

The Report of the 2020-21 Board Committee on Public Relations, Image and Marketing, George R. Delisle, Chair.

No report presented.

REPORT OF BOARD COMMITTEE ON RISK MANAGEMENT

The Report of the 2020-21 Board Committee on Risk Management, Peter Mancuso, Chair, was presented. **(Tab 12)**

No action was taken.

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

REPORT OF THE BOARD COMMITTEE ON SERVICE AND PARTNERSHIPS

The Report of the 2020-21 Board Committee on Service and Partnerships, Ronald E. Smith, Chair, was presented. **(Tab 13)**

No action was taken.

This completed the Report of the Board Committee on Service and Partnerships.

OTHER BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION REPORT

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

That the Kiwanis International Board approves the Administrative Action Report, as shown in Tab 14, with the exception that no action be taken at this time on clubs in the Philippine South District, which shall be referred to the Executive Committee for additional review, and that the Kiwanis Club of Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, be removed from the charter revocation list because it has now paid its financial obligations.

ENROLLMENT FEE WAIVER FOR MEMBERS OF NEW CLUBS – JULY 1-SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

In an effort to incentivize membership growth and club opening at the end of the year and to ease the transition to a new prorated dues system at the start of the 2021-22 year, the Kiwanis International Board approved a waiver of the US\$50 enrollment fee for new members of clubs that are opened between July 1 and September 30, 2021.

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

That the Kiwanis International Board waives the Kiwanis International enrollment fee as defined in Procedure 342.2 – Enrollment Fee, for members of new clubs that are formed between July 1, 2021, and September 30, 2021.

NEXT BOARD MEETING – SEPTEMBER 28-OCTOBER 2, 2021

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be September 28-October 2, 2021, in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA.

The meeting adjourned sine die on Wednesday, June 16, 2021, at 10:19 a.m. EDT.