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MINUTES OF THE
MEETING OF THE KIWANIS CHILDREN'S FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

July 3, 2024

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Kiwanis Children's Fund was held on July 3, 2024, in Denver, Colorado, U.S. (and, via Zoom meeting). Those present were:

In-person: Amy L. Zimmerman, President; Robert S. Maxwell, President-elect; Lenora J. Hanna, Vice President; Filip Delanote, Immediate Past President; Paul Palazzolo, Executive Director. Trustees: Robert M. Garretson, Michael Mulhaul, Richard A. Poulton, Francesco Valenti, Bert West, Koji Yoshida

Absent: Babukrishna Karki

Guests: Katrina J. Baranko, Kiwanis International President; Zachary Kahn, Circle K International President; Kyle Hanson, Key Club International President; Linda I. Lawther, Kiwanis International Trustee; Jackie Sue McFarlin, Kiwanis International Trustee; Cathy Tutty, Kiwanis International Trustee; Kiwanis Children's Fund Trustee-designates: Randolph L. Delay, Margo L. Dutton, Markus Lanz, and Cathy Simmons.

The meeting was called to order by President Amy L. Zimmerman on Wednesday, July 3, 2024, at 1:05 p.m. MT. A grant impact story was shared by Robert M. Garretson. An invocation was given by Robert M. Garretson

LEADERSHIP REPORTS

The following reports were received, as shown in Tabs 1-5:

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT, Amy L. Zimmerman

REPORT OF THE IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT, Filip Delanote

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT, Robert S. Maxwell

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT, Lenora J. Hanna

REPORT OF THE KIWANIS CHILDREN'S FUND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, Paul Palazzolo

GENERAL AGENDA ITEMS

Motion made by Trustee, Francesco Valenti, and seconded:

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 22, 2024, BOARD MEETING

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves the minutes of the Board meeting held on February 22, 2024 as shown in Tab 06.

Motion adopted.

Motion made by Trustee, Robert M. Garretson, and seconded:

MINUTES OF THE MAY 2024 EMAIL BALLOT

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves the minutes of the email ballot conducted on May 29, 2024, as shown in Tab 07.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The committee did not meet.

REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Report of the 2023-24 Development Committee, Richard A. Poulton, Co-Chair, was presented.

APPROVAL OF DISTRICT CHAIRS

Motion made by the Development Committee

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves the following appointments as Kiwanis Children's Fund District Charis for three-year terms, retroactively as of June 1, 2024.

- 1. Paul Heinz, Texas-Oklahoma, Co-chair**
- 2. Valarie Brown-Klingelhofer, California-Nevada-Hawaii**

Motion adopted.

The report of the Development Committee was accepted.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE/INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The Report of the 2023-24 Finance/Investment Committee, Lenora J. Hanna, Chair, was presented.

The committee has no recommendations at this time.

The Finance/Investment Committee report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE GLOBAL IMPACT COMMITTEE

The Report of the 2023-24 Global Impact Committee, Filip Delanote, Chair, was presented.

The committee has no recommendations at this time.

The Global Impact Committee report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE GRANTS COMMITTEE

The Report of the 2023-24 Grants Committee, Koji Yoshida, Chair, was presented.

APPROVAL OF CLUB GRANTS

Motion made by the Grants Committee

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves a total of US\$180,906 for club grants.

- **\$25,000 for Kiwanis Club of Lapeer (Michigan):** Kiwanis Inclusive Playground, a KCF grant will support the purchase of two fully accessible playground pieces for the playground.

- **\$5,940 for Kiwanis Club of Lavanttal (Austria):** Creativ in die Lehre mit Kunst (Creative Teaching with Art), a KCF grant will support the purchase of art supplies such as paints, brushes, tools, canvas, and ceramics
- **\$2,500 for Kiwanis Club of North Shore Long Island (New York):** Klothess for Kids, a KCF grant will help the club increase the number of children served to match the project's growing need.
- **\$1,000 for Kiwanis Club of Bald Eagle and Nittany Valleys (Pennsylvania):** Kiwanis Santa's Workshop, a KCF grant will support the purchase of books and craft supplies.
- **\$2,500 for Kiwanis Club of Granada-Meta (Colombia):** La Hora Feliz (The Happy Hour), a grant will support the purchase of books, activities, and games for hospitalized children.
- **\$3,375 for Kiwanis of Wapakoneta (Ohio):** Lifewise Program, a KCF grant will support the purchase of materials such as binders, notebooks, cleaning supplies, and clothing vouchers.
- **\$1,000 for Kiwanis Club of the Rising Sun (Eastern Canada and the Caribbean):** Fall in Love with Reading, a KCF grant will fund the purchase of electronic reading tablets that will be branded with the club's logo and donated to schools
- **\$2,210 for Kiwanis Club of Diamond Bar Professionals (California Nevada Hawaii):** Kiwanis STEAM Fair, a KCF grant will cover the costs of free books that will be given to the youth that attend the fair
- **\$385 for Kiwanis Club of Greater Portmore (Eastern Canada and the Caribbean):** Herbal Gardens in Schools (Ascot High School), a KCF grant will be used to purchase gardening supplies such as, herbs, soil mix, and gardening tools.
- **\$9,800 for Kiwanis Club of Providenciales (Florida):** Kiwanis Christmas Tree Lighting, a KCF grant will be used to purchase books for the gift packages.
- **\$15,000 for Kiwanis Club of Hilliard (Ohio):** Feeding Hilliard Students, a KCF grant will support the purchase of refrigerators that would be located in each school and the club's packing site, as well as additional produce for food packs.
- **\$3,000 for Kiwanis Club of 23 Central Surrey (Eastern Canada and the Caribbean):** Shady Grove Basic School Improvement, a KCF grant will be used to spray the school for termites, and to fund the implementation of the breakfast feeding program.
- **\$3,000 for Kiwanis Club of Siesta Key (Florida):** Read Learn Dream Sarasota, a KCF grant will be used to purchase books and materials for up to an additional 70 children
- **\$4,800 for Kiwanis Club of Melbourne (Florida):** Let's Play! Play Leadership Training Program, a KCF grant will support the development of training videos/manuals and to promote the program.
- **\$24,000 for Kiwanis Club of Gig Harbor (Pacific Northwest):** Kiwanis Cares for Kids, a KCF grant will help the club meet the increasing demands for clothing and shoes.
- **\$1,296 for Kiwanis of Opelousas (Louisiana-Mississippi-W. Tennessee):** Kiwanis Kids, a KCF grant will support the purchase of gift cards given to students who are entered into the drawing at the end of the grading period
- **\$1,500 for Kiwanis Club of Fostoria (Ohio):** Fostoria Kiwanis Shoe Program, a KCF grant will help the club meet the increased need for shoes, socks and bookbags
- **\$6,200 for Kiwanis Club of Richmond (Capital):** Book Bridge Initiative, a KCF grant will support the purchase of books for book fairs and classroom libraries
- **\$2,400 for Kiwanis of the Rockaways (New York):** Swim Lessons for Local Youth, a KCF grant will support marketing initiatives for the project and provide essential items for care packages
- **\$2,100 for Kiwanis Club of Hickory (Carolinas):** Dictionaries for Third Grade Students, a KCF grant will support the purchase of about 550 dictionaries
- **\$7,000 for Kiwanis Club of Shan Hsin (Taiwan):** After school tutoring classes of Wu-Liao Elementary School, a KCF grant will support rental expenses for the van, school supplies and food for the program
- **\$4,000 for Kiwanis Club of Park Ridge (Illinois-Eastern Iowa):** Mental Health Care Kit, a KCF grant will be used to purchase supplies for the mental health kit
- **\$6,000 for Kiwanis Club of Petersburg (Capital):** Kiwanis Holiday Toy and Coat Drive, a KCF grant will support the purchase of 200 coats

- **\$4,400 for Kiwanis Club of Lauderdale Lakes (Florida):** Lauderdale Lakes Reading Oasis, a KCF grant will be used to support the purchase of bookshelves, books and seating for three Reading Oasis
- **\$4,000 for Kiwanis Club of Craiova (Romania):** CleanUP Community, a KCF grant will be used to support the development of education materials for the project, supplies for the activities and leadership development opportunities for the students engaged in the project
- **\$1,000 for Kiwanis Club of Brigham City (Utah Idaho):** Stuff the Bus, a KCF grant will support the purchase of school supplies and 100 backpacks
- **\$2,000 for Kiwanis Club of Sycamore (Illinois Eastern Iowa):** Playground Musical Instrument Pilot Project, a KCF grant will support the purchase of equipment as well as installation costs
- **\$15,000 for Kiwanis Club of Sierra Vista-San Pedro (Southwest):** Stocking Stuffers, a KCF grant will help cover the increasing costs, ensuring the project can continue and serve up to 650 children
- **\$1,500 for Kiwanis Club of Lenape Valley (New Jersey):** Clothe-a-Child, a KCF grant will be used to purchase 50 additional coats for the project
- **\$4,000 for Kiwanis Club of Hagerstown (Capital):** Kiwanis Cares, a KCF grant will be used to purchase hygiene and clothing items for boxes tailored to each school's needs.
- **\$5,000 for Kiwanis Club of Bethesda (Capital):** Miracle League of Montgomery County Training and Recruitment Project, a KCF grant will help fund the production of the training and recruiting videos, as well as incidental marketing expenses
- **\$10,000 for Kiwanis Club of East Lansing (Michigan):** Book Vending Machines, a KCF grant will support the purchase of two book vending machines and books

Motion adopted.

APPROVAL OF MATERNAL AND NEONATAL TETANUS (MNT) GRANT REQUEST

Motion made by the Grants Committee

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves a total of US\$275,000 for a grant to UNICEF USA for continuing Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus elimination efforts.

Motion adopted.

The Grants Committee report was accepted.

OTHER BUSINESS

Motion made by Trustee, Francesco Valenti, and seconded:

2024-25 OFFICER CONFIRMATIONS

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board appoints the following persons as officers for the 2024-25 administrative year:

- **Chair: Robert S. Maxwell**
- **Chair-elect: Lenora J. Hanna**

Motion adopted

Motion made by Vice President, Lenora J. Hanna, and seconded:

TRUSTEE VACANCY APPOINTMENT

That the Kiwanis Children’s Fund Board appoints Catherine L. “Cathy” Simmons, Kiwanis Club of New Orleans, Louisiana, U.S., as Trustee, effective October 1, 2024, to fill the final year of Brenda Leigh Johnson’s term.

Motion adopted

Motion made by Immediate Past President, Filip Delanote, and seconded:

2024-25 BOARD COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

That the Kiwanis Children’s Fund Board approves the appointment of 2024-25 standing and special committees as shown in Tab 12.

Motion adopted

Motion made by Trustee, Richard A. Poulton, and seconded:

2024-25 BOARD COUNSELING ASSIGNMENTS

That the Kiwanis Children’s Fund Board approves the district counseling assignments as shown in Tab 13.

Motion adopted.

Motion made by President-elect, Robert S. Maxwell, and seconded:

AMBASSADOR APPOINTMENT

That the Kiwanis Children’s Fund Board appoints Scott Greenlee from Michigan District as Kiwanis Children’s Fund Ambassador for the Midwest Region for a five-year term, effective immediately.

Motion adopted.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Trustee, Bert West, and seconded:

VOLUNTEER STRUCTURE IN EUROPE

That the Kiwanis Children’s Fund Board appoints Christian De Maesschalek from the Belgium-Luxembourg district as Kiwanis Children’s Fund Ambassador for the Europe Region for a five-year term, effective October 1, 2024.

Motion adopted.

Motion made by Trustee, Richard A. Poulton, and seconded:

KCF POLICY 301.5 AMENDMENT

That the Kiwanis Children’s Fund Board amends the qualifications for new trustees in Procedure 301.5 to require that candidates have a proven history of giving to the Children’s Fund.

Motion failed.

NEXT BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 16, 2024

The next meeting of the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board of Trustees will be November 16, 2024, in Indianapolis, Indiana, US.

The meeting adjourned sine die on Wednesday, July 3, 2024, at 3:09 p.m. MT.