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

May 21, 2025

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Kiwanis Children's Fund was held on May 21, 2025, via Zoom meeting. Those present were:

Online: Robert S. Maxwell, President; Amy L. Zimmerman, Immediate Past President; Lenora J. Hanna, President-elect; Richard A. Poulton, Vice President; Paul Palazzolo, Executive Director. Trustees: Katrina J. Baranko, Randolph L. Delay, Margo L. Dutton, Markus Lanz, Hope Markes, Cathy Simmons, Francesco Valenti, Koji Yoshida

The meeting was called to order by President Robert S. Maxwell on Wednesday, May 21, 2025, at 10:02 a.m. ET.

GENERAL AGENDA ITEMS

Motion made by Trustee Margo L. Dutton, and seconded:

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 13, 2025, BOARD MEETING

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves the minutes of the Board meeting held February 13, 2025, in Indianapolis, in and via Zoom, as shown in Tab 01.

Motion adopted.

Motion made by Vice President Richard A. Poulton, and seconded:

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 20, 2025, BOARD MEETING

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves the minutes of the Board meeting held March 20, 2025, via Zoom, as shown in Tab 02.

Motion adopted.

Motion made by Immediate Past President Amy L. Zimmerman, and seconded:

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 2025 EMAIL BALLOT

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves the minutes of the email ballot held in March 2025, as shown in Tab 03.

Motion adopted.

Motion made by Vice President Richard A. Poulton, and seconded:

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 2025 EMAIL BALLOT

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves the minutes of the email ballot held in April 2025, as shown in Tab 04.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The report of the 2024-25 Development Committee, Francesco Valenti, Chair, was presented.

Motion made by Immediate Past President Amy L. Zimmerman:

PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT CHAIR APPOINTMENT

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board appoints Jen Vare from the Pennsylvania District as Kiwanis Children's Fund District Chair for the Pennsylvania District for a three-year term or the duration of the campaign, effective immediately.

Motion adopted.

The report of the Development Committee was accepted.

REPORT OF THE GRANTS COMMITTEE

The report of the 2024-25 Grants Committee, Lenora J. Hanna, Chair, was presented.

Motion made by President-elect Lenora J. Hanna:

CHANGES TO KICKSTARTER PROGRAM

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves changes to the Kickstarter Grant Program and subsequent necessary policy changes to Policy H(4). New Kiwanis clubs that charter with 30 or more members are eligible for a grant of up to US\$1,000. This change will be retroactive as of October 1, 2024.

4. KICKSTARTER (11/24)

- a. New Kiwanis clubs that charter with ~~40~~ **30** or more active members will be invited to apply for a Kickstarter grant of up to US\$1,000 for Tier 1 and up to US\$500 for Tier 2 clubs. Clubs will be eligible to apply on their organization date and up to 120 days following their organization date.
- b. If ~~the a~~ club maintains or grows its membership ~~of to~~ **to 40** or more active members one year after its organization date, it is eligible to apply for a second grant of up to US\$1,000 for Tier 1 and up to US\$500 for Tier 2 clubs up to 120 days following the organization date's one-year anniversary.
- c. Grant recipients must comply with the terms and conditions of the grant as set by the Foundation.

Motion adopted.

Motion made by President-elect Lenora J. Hanna:

PEDIATRIC MEDICINE SUPPORT GRANT

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves US\$15,640 for Pediatric Medicine Support Grants.

- **US\$11,000 for the Kiwanis Club of Harrison (Missouri-Arkansas District):** A Kiwanis Children's Fund Grant would be used to support the purchase of therapy equipment for the sensory gym.
- **US\$4,640 for the Kiwanis Club of Anthem Ranch (Rocky Mountain District):** A Kiwanis Children's Fund Grant would be used to support the purchase of soothing sensory equipment and safety modifications for the rooms.

Motion adopted.

Motion made by President-elect Lenora J. Hanna:

APPROVAL OF MATERNAL AND NEONATAL TETANUS (MNT) GRANT REQUEST

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves a total of US\$55,000 for the Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus grant and an extension of the grant reporting deadline to June 30, 2026.

Motion adopted.

The report of the Grants Committee was accepted.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE/INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The report of the 2024-25 Finance/Investment Committee, Richard A. Poulton, Chair, was presented:

Motion made by Vice President Richard A. Poulton:

Approval of the 2025-26 Kiwanis Children's Fund Budget

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves a balanced budget for the 2025-26 administrative year for the Kiwanis Children's Fund.

Motion postponed until June 24, 2025, Board meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Motion made by President-elect Lenora J. Hanna and seconded:

MICROGRANT GRANT FUND BALANCE

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves using unclaimed funds from the District Grants Program to support the final months of the 2024-25 Microgrant Program.

Motion adopted.

Motion made by Vice President Richard A. Poulton, and seconded:

2025-26 BOARD COMMITTEE AND COUNSELING ASSIGNMENTS

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves the Board Committee and Counseling assignments for the 2025-26 administrative year, as shown in Tabs 09-10.

Motion adopted.

NEXT BOARD MEETING – June 24, 2025

The next meeting of the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board of Trustees will be June 24, 2025, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, U.S.

The meeting adjourned sine die on Wednesday, May 21, 2025, at 11:31 a.m. ET.