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

February 12, 2026

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Kiwanis Children's Fund was held on February 12, 2026 in Indianapolis, Indiana, U.S. and via Zoom. Those present were:

In-person: Lenora J. Hanna, President; Robert S. Maxwell, Immediate Past President; Richard A. Poulton, President-elect; Elizabeth M. Tezza, Vice President; Paul Palazzolo, Executive Director.

Online: Trustees: Randolph L. Delay, Margo L. Dutton, Markus Lanz, Cathy Simmons, Cathy Szymanski, Jeffrey M. Wolff, Lee Kuan Yong

Absent: Trustee Chun-Kuai "Lynn" Liu

The meeting was called to order by President Lenora J. Hanna on Thursday, February 12, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. ET. An invocation was given by Robert S. Maxwell and impact stories were shared by Lenora J. Hanna.

LEADERSHIP REPORTS

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

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT, Lenora J. Hanna

REPORT OF THE IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT, Robert S. Maxwell

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT, Richard A. Poulton

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT, Elizabeth M. Tezza

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, Paul Palazzolo

GENERAL CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

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

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 2025, BOARD MEETING

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves the minutes of the Board meeting held on November 15, 2025, in Indianapolis, Indiana, U.S.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The report of the 2025-26 Executive Committee, Lenora J. Hanna, Chair, was presented.

No recommendations at this time.

The report of the Executive Committee was accepted.

REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The report of the 2025-26 Development Committee, Randolph L. Delay, Chair, was presented.

DISTRICT CHAIR NOMINATION- NEW YORK

Motion made by Trustee Margo Dutton, and seconded:

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves the appointment of Mark Haake as Kiwanis Children's Fund District Chair in the Ohio District for a three-year term or the end of the current fundraising campaign of the Kiwanis Children's Fund, effective February 12, 2026.

Motion adopted.

DISTRICT CHAIR NOMINATION- CALIFORNIA-NEVADA-HAWAII

Motion made by Trustee Margo Dutton, and seconded:

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves the appointment of Dave Arnold as Kiwanis Children's Fund District Chair in the California-Nevada-Hawaii District for a three-year term or the end of the current fundraising campaign of the Kiwanis Children's Fund, effective February 12, 2026.

Motion adopted.

The report of the Development Committee was accepted.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE/INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The report of the 2025-26 Finance/Investment Committee, Elizabeth M. Tezza, Chair, was presented.

MODIFICATION TO KIWANIS CHILDREN'S FUND PROCEDURE 501.1 (E)

Motion made by Trustee Margo Dutton, and seconded:

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves the following changes to Kiwanis Children's Fund Procedure 501.1(E) Socially Responsible Investment:

501.1(E) - Socially Responsible Investment: The portfolio is comprised of commingled vehicles such as exchange traded funds and mutual funds that track broad market benchmarks which limit the ability to exclude individual companies. Social governance alignment will therefore be expressed primarily through fund selection, manager stewardship, and proxy-voting practices. ~~The investment advisor will screen out corporations known to be substantial producers of alcohol, tobacco, and gaming. An exception to this policy would be considered only with the intent of initiating a shareholder action on corporate policies or in the event investments are in a commingled fund. This will lead to a more socially responsible portfolio, which is in line with the worldwide activities of the Foundation in promoting health and betterment of children. The Board understands that use of comingled funds, such as exchange traded funds (ETFs) and mutual funds (MFs), may be desired in order to maximize diversification within certain asset classes. Such investments will be permitted with the understanding that such funds cannot accommodate investment restrictions by sector.~~ (2/14)

Motion adopted.

The report of the Finance/Investment Committee was accepted.

REPORT OF THE GLOBAL IMPACT COMMITTEE

The report of the 2025-26 Global Impact Committee, Markus Lanz, Chair, was presented.

IODINE GLOBAL NETWORK REPORT

Motion made by Trustee Margo Dutton, and seconded:

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board requests staff to share a summary of the latest IGN report to provide information to our members as a way to share the iodine story and be aware of the continued sustainability efforts.

Motion adopted.

The report of the Global Impact Committee was accepted.

REPORT OF THE GRANTS COMMITTEE

The Report of the 2025-26 Grants Committee, Richard A. Poulton, Chair, was presented.

MARCH 2026 CLUB GRANTS

Motion made by Trustee Margo Dutton, and seconded:

That the Kiwanis Children's Fund Board approves US\$145,292 for March 2026 club grants (all amounts are in US dollars).

- **\$20,000 for the Kiwanis Club of Monument Hill, Rocky Mountain:** Heart of Monument Play Park for All Ages and Abilities. The grant will support the purchase of playground features for children aged 6-11.
- **\$1,830 for the Kiwanis Club of Davao City, Southern Philippine:** Educational Program for Beginners. The grant will fund the purchase of furniture, play materials, and health and hygiene items for the daycare center.
- **\$10,000 for the Kiwanis Club of Ticonderoga, New York:** Ticonderoga Backpack Program. The grant will fund the purchase of food used to fill the backpacks through the regional food bank.
- **\$3,000 for the Kiwanis Club of Crofton, Capital:** School Vacation Food Box Project. The grant will fund additional food to support a growing need and cover rising food costs.
- **\$6,000 for the Kiwanis Club of Foothills, Boulder, Rocky Mountain:** Diabetes Alert Dogs for Kids. The grant will increase the club's capacity to support the project by enabling the acquisition of additional puppies and funding a part-time trainer to expand access to diabetes alert dogs.
- **\$20,000 for the Kiwanis Club of Allen Park, Michigan:** Harold Duda Tot Lot Play Structure. The grant will help fund the installation of new accessible playground equipment for the play area.
- **\$4,360 for the Kiwanis Club of Long Beach, New York:** Kiwanis Road Safety Program. The grant will cover the costs of promotion, bicycle helmets, raffles, food and beverages, arts and crafts, completion certificates, and access to multiple driving simulators.
- **\$2,000 for the Kiwanis Club of East Meadow, New York:** East Meadow Community Day Book Distribution. The grant will support the purchase of books for every child that attends the event.
- **\$5,000 for the Kiwanis Club of Marion, Illinois-Eastern Iowa:** Shine Summer Lunch Program. The grant will support the purchase of nutritious food and snacks for children participating in the lunch program.
- **\$9,000 for the Kiwanis Club of Port Townsend, Pacific Northwest:** Backpacks for Children. The grant will fund the purchase of food items that fill each weekend's meal bag, including meals, beverages, and snacks.

- **\$15,000 for the Kiwanis E-Space Mittelland, Switzerland-Liechtenstein:** Ride for Life. The grant will support the Kids-for-Kids Mini Ride, campaigns promoting the new Kiwanis-JCI alliance for children, and provide on-site communication materials.
- **\$3,200 for the Kiwanis Club of Texarkana, Texas-Oklahoma:** Kiwanis K.I.D.S. Camp – Kids Improving Diabetes Safely. The grant will help cover the camp’s increased food costs required to support children with diabetes.
- **\$11,000 for the Kiwanis Club of Penfield-Perinton Townships, New York:** Helping kids be even during a crisis. The grant will fund the purchase of hospital-approved, child-recommended furniture, portable lighting, white noise machines, interactive art, playable floor decals, fidgets, and therapy items to create a calm, supportive environment for children in the CPEP unit.
- **\$4,000 for the Kiwanis Club of Stunning Davao, Southern Philippine:** Nature Warriors Nooks: Where Reading, Creativity and Love of Nature is Nurtured. The grant will support the purchase of the equipment, seating, and activity workbooks necessary to establish the child-friendly mini-libraries.
- **\$2,000 for the Kiwanis Club of Central, Louisiana-Mississippi-West Tennessee:** Sensory Toy Drive. The grant will fund the purchase of additional sensory toys, drawstring bags, and marketing materials as the club expands distribution to additional schools and child focused organizations.
- **\$10,652 for the Kiwanis Club of Saint Bernard-Arab, Louisiana-Mississippi-West Tennessee:** Ready for Reading. The grant will fund branded event materials, community engagement supplies, literacy craft materials, signage that help the Ready for Reading initiative expand its reach.
- **\$3,250 for the Kiwanis Club of Pierre-Fort Pierre, Minnesota-Dakotas:** Pierre-Fort Pierre Kiwanis StoryWalk. The grant will fund the purchase of the metal posts and frames that securely hold and display each book along the StoryWalk path.
- **\$15,000 for the Kiwanis Club of Barranquilla, Colombia:** Promoción de la salud infantil a través del deporte (Sports activities to promote children's physical and mental health). The grant will fund essential construction materials (such as synthetic turf, fencing, support tubing, and paint) to build and equip the multi-sport park.

Motion adopted.

KIWANIS CLUB OF MOMBASA PARTIAL CLUB GRANT

Motion made by Trustee Margo Dutton, and seconded:

That the Kiwanis Children’s Fund Board approves the remaining balance of US\$5,000 of the US\$10,000 club grant to the Kiwanis Club of Mombasa.

Motion adopted.

The report of the Grants Committee was accepted.

NEXT BOARD MEETING – June 24, 2026

The next meeting of the Kiwanis Children’s Fund Board of Trustees will be June 24, 2026, in Manila, Philippines.

The meeting adjourned sine die on Thursday, February 12, 2026, at 9:09 a.m. ET.