

2005-2006 Board
Mid-Winter Conference, Irving, TX

Governor Jack Carlton called the 2005-2006 Board to order at 1:00 pm on Friday, February 17, 2006 at the Harvey Hotel, Irving, TX.

The invocation was given by Chuck Rager. The pledge was given and a song was led by led by Carl Sullivan, Lt. Governor, Division 30.

District Secretary Jackie Wyatt called the roll. Divisions 1, 7, 11, 15, 22, 33, 34, 36 and 38 were absent at roll call.

Governor Jack Carlton then introduced Dee Brazell. He asked for ratification of her appointment as Lt. Governor, Division 40. Lt. Governor, Division 26 made the motion to accept and Lt. Governor, Division 39 seconded the motion. The motion passed and she was welcomed to the Board.

Lt. Governor Matthew Mueller was invited to the podium. Governor Jack congratulated Lt. Governor Matt on the birth of his new baby girl. He was presented with a gift from the Board.

District Secretary Jackie Wyatt presented the corrected minutes. Division 23 Lt. Governor made the motion to accept the minutes as corrected and Lt. Governor, Division 21 seconded. The motion passed.

District Treasurer Harvey Wilson reminded the Lt. Governors to sign their vouchers that were in front of them. When properly signed, he will exchange them for checks. He then told the Board about the new copier that the District Office needs. The company that services the copy machine currently in the District Office said they felt it was beyond repair. We have a new proposal for a new machine. Governor Elect Bill Crump, Harvey Wilson, Laura Lammons, and Jackie Wyatt met with the copier representatives on Thursday, February 16. It was decided to lease a new machine that will take care of the needs for the office. The copier will be audited annually instead of quarterly. This would alleviate any overage we might have. This is just a point of information. A Profit and Loss statement was handed out and explained. Governor Gene had a \$38,000 plus profit for his 2004-2005 year. A check has been mailed to the Broadway Investment Account. A motion to approve the report was made by Division 23 and seconded by Division 5. The motion passed.

Immediate Past Governor Gene Jantzen asked that the Lt. Governors should have fun this year. And he stressed that each Division have a Past Lt. Governor's Association and use those resources that the PLGA provides. He also stressed that a mentoring program be in place to help not only new members, but established members as well.

Governor Jack responded that each Division and Club should have an education program on hand and present it.

Governor-elect Bill Crump has just returned from his training in Indianapolis. He was very impressed by the fact that three Presidents of Kiwanis International were involved. He said they were part of a team. He indicated his group will follow Governor Jack's ground work and stay on the same track that President Steve, President-elect Nelson and Dave Curry have laid for us. We want to build on what we have and have a positive attitude. But most of all, we must work together as a team.

Governor Jack introduced International Trustee Mark Rabaut. He spoke about membership growth. He said it was like a three legged stool. One where we're bringing members into our clubs, two where we're building new Kiwanis Clubs, and third for new member orientation where we're keeping those members. 1,2,3 – who holds the key. He asked those who have keys to stand. Those keys represent new members. Bronze – 1 new member, Silver for 2 new members and Gold for 3 new members. He stated that those in the room should lead by example. Each Lt. Governor should be wearing a key. Another stool is new member orientation. Each club should conduct proper orientation. He said Kiwanis International had all the materials that were needed to get this done. The 3rd area is in new club building. There has been 1 club in T/O so far. We need 7 by June 30. Each Lt. Governor charged with telling the Governor where a new club can be built. Mark said he was here for us. He wants to hear from us.

Governor Jack said he is finished with his Governor's visits. He stressed he was now available to come to any city or any club to help with anything that needs to be done.

Governor Jack introduced Stan Soderstrom, Kiwanis International Executive Director of SOAP. He referred to the upcoming K-University which will be held in Dallas the first week in March. The new umbrella term is Service Leadership Program which includes all sponsored youth programs. He praised the Weekend of a Lifetime program. A Texas/Oklahoma original now has become a global program called Key Leader. He thank Ray Poland for his tireless effort in the Key Leader program. He encouraged attendance at the Key Leader forum this weekend.

Governor Jack introduced Key Club Governor Klint Neal. Governor Neal stated that Key Club in this District is very strong with over 16,000 members, 12 new clubs and growing. The Key Club convention will be in Dallas March 30-31, April 1-2, 2006.. They are shooting for an attendance of 1500.

Dennis Mitchell, Key Club Administrator was introduced. He urged the Lt. Governors to follow up on the Key Clubs which have not paid their dues. He thanked the Board for their support.

Gary Hicks, Ki-Notes Editor was introduced. He said the Ki-Notes took a hit on the budget with increase in postal service. The good news is there is room in the production budget to offset all of that. So, the bottom line is Ki-Notes is on budget and on schedule.

Lowell Barto, Chairman of Laws and Regulations, was introduced. He had a hand out of *Restated Articles of Incorporation of Texas-Oklahoma District of Kiwanis International*. We should follow the lead of Kiwanis International. Kiwanis International has filed the application with the Internal Revenue Service. There are 15 Districts who have joined. The International Office is the parent office and the Districts, Divisions and clubs can “tag” along. Kiwanis International is hopeful that the application will be approved in time for the International Convention in June. Each Texas/Oklahoma Kiwanis Club has received information on 501(c) (3) Tax Reclassification which has excellent questions and answers for review. If this is adopted the District becomes a charitable organization. The District as well as the clubs will be able to receive charitable tax deductible contributions. Another benefit for the clubs is that dues will be deductible but not meals. The District will be eligible for non profit postage rates. But before we can do this we have to go back and readdress the Article of Incorporation. The Texas/Oklahoma original charter is 1955. Restated Articles of Incorporation were given to the Board for their review. The T/O District has special authorization from Kiwanis International to vote on this at their District Convention at Sear. Division 30 made a motion to recommend to the General Assembly to give approval that Texas/Oklahoma District go to the 501c(3). Division 5 seconded the motion. The motion passed. The By-law amendments were then passed out. The Board of Trustees make the recommendation to amend the by-laws and the delegates will vote on them. Any club that wants to amend its by-laws has 90 days before the convention to do so. Those amendments should come before the Board at the International Convention in June. The motion to approved the proposed amendment to 501c(3) was made by Division 13 Lt. Governor and seconded by Division 40 Lt. Governor. The motion passed.

The Long Range Planning Committee reviewed the request by the Cleburne Kiwanis Club to move that club back to Division 1 from Division 36. The LRPC asked the board for recommendation to approve the move. The motion was made by Division 26 Lt. Governor and seconded by Division 23 Lt. Governor. The motion passed.

Mark Rabaut brought up a request from Clint Sharpley regarding a letter written to Kiwanis International asking to be recognized as a Past Governor for 2002-2003 even though he resigned in 2003. Division 23 Lt. Governor made the motion and Division 30 seconded. After much discussion, this motion was withdrawn and another motion to table was made by Division 27 Lt. Gov and seconded by Division 33 Lt. Governor. Lt. Governor Div. 17 called the question. Governor Jack asked for a standing vote. There were 11 for and 14 against and 1 abstention. The motion did not pass.

Chuck Rager spoke on membership. He reminded the board that there are seven months to go and still time to meet our membership goals. But we need everyone’s help.

Marellie Robinson reminded the board about the CKI convention to be held in Galveston, TX March 3-5, 2006.

Phil Brooks, Sponsored Organizations and Programs Chair, reminded us of the meeting to be held at the American Airline Training Center. And to tell us that SOAP is no longer being used. The program is now Service Leadership Program.

Harvey Wilson stated that there will not be a Caring Corner as such on the cruise. Club are asked to continue to send in their donations of \$35.00 to receive a banner patch. There will be a table set up on the ship.

Rick Lindsey, President of the Past Lt. Governors Association said the Extra Mile Award nominations have been extended. Please see the Ki-Notes for information on submitting nominations for this award.

Brenda Allums reminded us of the PLGA Deadwood Saloon production to be held Saturday night. Put on your western duds and be ready for some fun.

Governor Jack, Gary Hicks and Chuck gave a “pep” talk on Together We Can. Everyone needs to get involved and bring in new members.

Governor Jack adjourned the meeting at 4:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Jackie Wyatt
District Secretary