



New York District of Circle K International

Post-DCON Board Meeting
Minutes
March 24th, 2019

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Attendance

Presiding Officer

District Governor-Elect Peony Tse

Voting Board Members in Attendance

District Secretary-Elect Naile Ruiz

District Treasurer-Elect Amna Bajwa

District Editor-Elect Jason Zhao

Capital Division Lieutenant Governor-elect Zachary Stanke

Hudson Valley Division Lieutenant Governor-elect Sophie Rhind

Iroquois Division Lieutenant Governor-elect Ryan Gu

Liberty Division Lieutenant Governor-elect Viktoriya Borisova

Long Island Division Lieutenant Governor-elect Omar Gabr

Northern Division Lieutenant Governor-elect Tyler Kearns

Seneca Division Lieutenant Governor-elect Coehl Gleckner

Southern Tier Division Lieutenant Governor-elect Brendon Nguyen

Western Division Lieutenant Governor-elect Alvina Khan

Guests in Attendance

International Vice President Julia Dressler

Subregion F Trustee Stephania Gonzalez Mena

District Governor Ryan Coffey

District Secretary Kristian Mosquito

District Editor Tyer Reimold

District Executive Assistant Nikita Lee

Iroquois Division Lieutenant Governor Jordan Louie

Liberty Division Lieutenant Governor Odalis Gutierrez

Seneca Division Lieutenant Governor Rebecca Lopez

Western Division Lieutenant Governor Erick Morocho

Service Initiatives Committee Chair Sami Sharify

Rochester Institute of Technology Circle K Vice President Storm Mayer

New Jersey District Governor Michael Vitti

Kiwanis Committee Members in Attendance

District Administrator John Keegan

Assistant District Administrator Alison Mandel

Assistant District Administrator Greg Faulkner

Assistant District Administrator Rich Hall

Kiwanis Committee Representative Eric Paul

Kiwanis Committee Representative Sean O'Sullivan

*Some guests left and entered during recess

Meeting Minutes

- I. Call to Order
 - A. District Governor-Elect Peony Tse called to order at 1:23PM
 - B. Shaker Room, Desmond Hotel Albany in Albany, NY
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
 - A. Led by District Governor-Elect Peony Tse
- III. CKI Pledge
 - A. Led by District Secretary Kristian Mosquito
- IV. Opening Business
 - A. Introduction - Popcorn Icebreaker - Name, position, past position, what is your favorite service project
 1. Tyler K: St. Lawrence University, Northern LTG-elect, Northern LTG, K-kids event at Potsdam
 2. Alvina: University at Buffalo, Western LTG-elect, Ronald McDonald House - seeing their happy faces
 3. Omar: Stony Brook University, Long Island LTG elect, Trauma center - play around and educate
 4. Naile: New York University, District Secretary-elect, Club Building and Strengthening Chair and Club President, Ronald McDonald House w/Kiwanis clubs - seeing their appreciation
 5. Amna: City College of New York, Conferences and Convention Chair and Recruitment and Retention Chair, DLSSP - seeing everyone helping around and finished early
 6. Brendon: Cornell University, Marketing Committee Chair and Club President, Southern Tier LTG-elect, tie between first Serve-a-Thon and Nikita's first divisional - learned about how everyone comes together and saw the connection of the District Board
 7. Jason: Stony Brook University, District Editor-Elect, volunteered giving food to the homeless in China - impact despite cultural differences, universal kindness
 8. Erick: University at Buffalo, Western LTG, DLSSP - loves Kamp Kiwanis and what it stands for

9. Tyler R: Rochester Institute of Technology, District Editor, DLSSP - like Christmas morning to him
10. Jordan: SUNY ESF, Iroquois LTG, Syracuse club president-elect - service fair is always fun
11. Sophie: SUNY New Paltz, Club President and Hudson Valley division liaison, Hudson Valley LTG-elect, driving to a farm at 6 am to build a fence - heartwarming
12. Coehl: Rochester Institute of Technology, Club President, Seneca LTG elect, Aktion club event - getting to see how passionate they are about helping people
13. Viktoriya: City College of New York, Club President, Conferences and Convention Chair, Liberty LTG-elect, Female Youth Empowerment monthly workshops - how to optimize your body and respect your body
14. Odalis: City College of New York, Liberty LTG, Hemophilia education day - great children and exhibits
15. Kristian: City College of New York, District Secretary, Hemophilia education day - kids were great and gave them something to talk to
16. Zachary: Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Capital LTG and LTG-elect, pop-up clinic in central America - impactful
17. Ryan G: SUNY Oswego, Club Webmaster, LTG elect, Project Cicero - teachers can collect free books, sorting books, working to enhance education
18. Julia Dressler: Canisius College, International Vice President, Alabama DCON - harvesting vegetables
19. Nikita: Cornell University, Executive Assistant, service fair when Ryan was Concon chair - hands-on service tables
20. Rich Hall: Kiwanis District Secretary, District Assistant Administrator, CKI and temporary shelter every winter where his home club makes dinner
21. Alison: District Assistant Administrator, advisor to college Circle K, coordinator for Kiwanis District, delivering toys for Christmas - true meaning of Christmas

22. Greg: Fordham graduate, advisor to Lehman Circle K and faculty advisor to other Circle K, Christmas party for homeless shelter - kids were looking for the basics instead of expected things like toys
23. Sean: Kiwanis chair, co-advisor to Baruch and Pace, Teddy Dance - dance marathon to raise money for childhood cancer
24. Ryan C: City College of New York, District Governor, ringing the bells for Salvation Army - Johnny K joined him
25. Rebecca: Rochester Institute of Technology, Seneca LTG, small paintings for a giant mural given to a domestic violence facility - working with Aktion Club
26. Stephania: New Jersey, International Trustee, DLSSP - believes in the mission of Kamp Kiwanis and was able to interact with NYCircle K members
27. Sami: Hunter College, Club President and Service Initiatives Chair, Tulip Planting - gets to come back to the tulips and say "I planted you"
28. Storm: Rochester Institute of Technology, Club Vice President, Flower City Pickers - take donations from vendors and sort + gives to soup kitchens or farmers
29. Peony: Stony Brook University Executive Chair, District Governor elect, Pax Christi homeless shelter - get creative with the food they have available to cook meals
30. Johnny K: District Administrator, Helped give child a special olympics medal after he lost the first one

V. Old Business

- A. Successor Packages - includes google drive that old officers will share with successors
 1. Make sure to take a good look at all the documents
 2. Template for the purpose of your role and more information (possible challenges, ideas)
 3. Peony: Have conversations with your successor/predecessor - ie. phone or video call
- B. Remarks from Past Board members

1. Julia: She will work primarily with District Secretary and District Treasurer. Work hard and get uncomfortable, loved her experience on the New York District Board
2. Stephania: Works in Subregion F, main point of contact and voice on the international board
3. Nikita: Is here as another resource for LTGs in addition to Peony and predecessor
4. Rebecca: The year will go by fast, take your highs and lows as they come, do everything with purpose
 - a) Rich Hall: Think about how this weekend went and use ideas to improve DCON next year
 - (1) Peony: Importance of filling out board meeting report forms so that we can reflect on the past
5. Kristian: Learn to love and trust your board, don't make Circle K the only thing in your life, try other things
6. Tyler: Have other experiences outside of Circle K so you can apply them to Circle K
7. Brendon: "Don't be afraid of moving slowly, be afraid of staying still," makes it easier to fail
8. Sean: Do work and try hard even if you have failure. Remember the fun times
 - a) Peony: Please make sure that people turn in the Election Report Form - check with LTGs if they did it or not
9. Erick: Ask each other for help
10. Tyler Kearns: Every division is different so don't compare yourself to each other, don't take a rigid approach, take pride in the work that you do
11. Ryan C: make sure clubs fill out the ERF, confident in the new presidents, lots of potential in this board
12. Peony: couple notes
 - a) Suggests carrying around a small notebook to write out Circle K things
 - b) Accountability and integrity in your role - integrity is what you do when no one is looking, your actions follow you
 - c) The district board as resource

(1) Omar: use your resources

VI. New Business

A. District Project

1. Decide during DOTC - do some research on ideas
2. Possible - multiple year projects, so that resources don't go to waste after a year

a) Viktoriya: can you use a past governor's project?

(1) Peony: yes

b) Rich: you can also add newer ideas to an old project

B. Governor's Project

1. Education

C. Communication Channels

1. Do we want to implement Slack again this year?

a) Ryan G.: A little confusing, simpler apps out there

b) Viktoriya: Some people don't get notifications, you can't personalize the chat

c) Omar: You can create a thread on Slack

d) Sophie: Doesn't understand the app but will want to be trained in case it is used

e) Zachary: Separates your professional life from your social life and can use different channels

f) Brendon: Conflict of interest in using only messenger, Slack should be analogous to email, let's keep using Slack

g) Coehl: We can use plug-ins on Slack

h) Peony: Discord is for gamers?

(1) Ryan G.: Serves teamspeak, people can access chats, thinks its an easy user interface

(2) Rich: Can we have someone train on Slack and have a demo at DOTC to make a more intelligent decision

i) Amna - Slack can be used for professional purposes, other apps for more social stuff

j) Conclusion - continue using Slack for now, training at DOTC, and we can see alternatives

2. Trello

a) Peony: We can talk more about at DOTC

(1) Viktoriya: Can create a voice message to explain Trello

b) Optional for everyone that wants to

D. Executive Chair and Executive Assistant

1. Online application to see how many people apply?

2. Only one person has expressed interest in each position

a) Zachary: Should be a person that has been on the board before, knows that there are those people are interested

(1) Peony: Might be more fair to send out an application

(2) Rich: Should be person that governor is comfortable working with

(3) Amna: More people might be interested after DCON

(4) Kristian: Doesn't think that there is a benefit to open an application to the district, contact past people instead

(a) Julia: Didn't have prior experience and did well

E. Release of Committee Chair applications

1. Released very soon after DCON

a) Peony: Reach out to as many people as possible who might be interested

2. Zachary: Can we suggest the creation of another chair position?

a) Rich: Can make ad-hoc committee. If it's in the bylaws, you're supposed to have that committee.

3. Peony: Possible to send out member applications as well

a) Viktoriya: New chair wouldn't be able to work with the applications

b) Brendon: Each chair has their own vision

c) Coehl: Send out an interest form along with chair applications and then know to reach out to those people when the apps are done

(1) Tyler: Works well timewise

4. Peony: We would be able to promote the member applications for a longer amount of time

a) Informal Vote

(1) Wait to release until after chairs are chosen - none

- (2) Coehl's Idea - 8 agree
 - (3) Release them at the same time - 2 agree
 - F. Forms
 - 1. Monthly Board Report Form: Peony will be sending more information out
- VII. District Officer Training Conference (DOTC)
 - A. Location
 - 1. Alison: Stony Brook would be more convenient for her
 - 2. Sophie: Lives 45 minutes from Stony Brook, can provide housing
 - 3. Peony: Will go through the different options. Might be able to rent a cabin at the University at Albany
 - a) Ryan G: would prefer central location, people have finals
 - B. Date: April 26th-28th
- VIII. CKIx
 - A. June 26th-29th - can come earlier or stay later
 - B. Registration is \$250 until April 20th
 - C. Julia: Reach out to Kiwanians for funding and be team leader
 - D. Stephania: Opportunities to join temporary committees, New York is leaving on the 21st
 - E. Johnny K: Voting board is covered for registration - will get reimbursed
 - 1. Sean: Make sure to ask for specific dollar amount when asking Kiwanians, ask them starting now
 - a) Julia and Peony: Make sure to thank them for the money
 - b) Ryan G: Hotel from 24th-30th at the discounted prices (5 people per room) is \$190.80 per person
 - (1) \$127.02 for 4 nights of convention
 - (2) Stephania: Number of rooms is limited
 - F. Ryan C: Plans to leave early 22nd with the van, drive through to the 23rd, get to Florida the 24th
 - G. Governor-Elect Peony appoints Ryan Coffey as the On-To International Convention Chair
- IX. Board Name
 - A. Think about names for board, to decide at DOTC
- X. Kiwanis Committee Member Remarks

- A. Rich: This could be the best year of your k-family career, the job of LTG is most important in Circle K, if you ever have an issue with a Kiwanian, let them know. Call me
 - B. Alison: Central to western area but is willing to help everyone, feel free to reach out to them for anything
 - C. Greg: Looking forward to working with everyone, lots of momentum right now
 - D. Sean: Take some risks, make some mistakes, have fun, think about what you want to remember next year
 - 1. Cost of preparing the training materials, Alumni Association can allocate up to \$200
 - E. Johnny K: We will talk about a budget at DOTC, can't go over the budget unless you get his permission
- XI. Closing Remarks
- A. Peony: This is the best time to get off to a really great start, expects everyone to put in 100% of their effort
- XII. Adjournment
- A. District Governor-elect Peony Tse adjourned at 3:32PM

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