Governor Carol Wisdom rang the bell and called the general session of the 98th annual convention of the GA District to order at 8:15 A.M.

The Boy Scout Troop out of Mt. Bethel United Methodist Church presented colors and Juanita Edwards, Governor Elect led the Pledge.

Rev. Jim Perry, Spiritual Aims Chair gave the invocation.

Debbie Brilling, Vice Governor, introduced guest.

Peter Mancuso, International Trustee, from the New York District addressed the session.

Kylie Wilson, 2017-18 CKI Governor addressed the session. She is a senior at the University of West GA. Circle K International has 13,000 members – small but mighty. They provide more service hours per member than any SLP. They have completed their eliminate pledge.

Johnny Johnson, GA District Foundation President addressed the session. He nominated John O’Kane and Ray Armstrong to the board of the foundation. Nominations were approved by acclamation.

He encouraged clubs to apply for grants. Their fund raising is through the Heinz awards and through club support in their annual district project giving. He also said that the foundation will match profits from the raffle sales at this convention to go to the Eliminate project.

Ellen Springer, Parliamentarian reviewed the session rules. The standing rules were adopted by acclamation.

Karen Losin provided the delegate count: present: 153 delegates and 44 at-large delegates for a total of 197 to vote.

The floor was opened for nominations for Governor. Katrina Baranko, Past Governor of the Albany Club placed Juanita Edwards in nomination. A second was made by Randy Shelby of the Dalton Club. Juanita was elected by acclimation. She provided a short speech of acknowledgement.

The floor was opened for nominations for Governor Elect. Ron Jackson, Past Governor from the Historic Roswell Club placed Debbie Brilling in nomination. A second was made by David Simmons, of the Cordele Club. Debbie was elected by acclimation. She expressed thanks to the delegation.
The floor was opened for nominations for Vice Governor. George Elkin from the LaGrange Club placed Andy Pipkin in nomination. A second was made by Nan Jenkins with the Henry County Club.

Andy was elected by acclamation. Andy provided a speech of why he is seeking the office of Vice Governor.

Laura Scott Burns, By-Laws, Policies and Resolutions Chair presented that there is no update from the committee and they will continue to work on the P&P.

Laura reviewed the Resolutions:

Resolution # 1 - District Chairs - expresses appreciation to this group
Resolution # 2 – GA District Board – expresses appreciation to the District Board
Resolution # 3 – Executive Director – expresses appreciation to Alexia Lieber
Resolution # 4 – Governor – expresses appreciation to Carol Wisdom
Resolution # 5 – GA District Foundation – expresses appreciation to the Foundation Board
Resolution # 6 – District Counselor – expresses appreciation to Peter Mancuso who will serve as our Counselor for 2017-18.
Resolution # 7 – District Convention Chairs – expresses appreciation to Brent Leslie and Kay Morgan
Resolution # 8 – Katrina Baranko, Candidate for Kiwanis International Trustee in Las Vegas

All resolutions were approved by acclimation.

George Elkins, Training Chair for 2017-18 provided a few comments about the training schedule which is covered on pages 17/18 of the convention booklet.

Past Governor Pat Tritt talked about the next International Convention which will be held in Vegas next year. The dates will be June 28 – July 1, 2018.

Brent Leslie Chair for the August 2018 District Convention gave us an invite to come to Jekyll Island for fun at the beach. Book rooms early and there are 3 hotels reserved to pick from with Days Inn to be the headquarters. Convention center has been totally renovated.

Session was adjourned at 10:05 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by

Debbie Brilling, Vice Governor