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Georgia District of Kiwanis General Session

August 17, 2019

Augusta, Georgia

Governor Debbie Brilling rang the bell and called the General Session of the 100th annual convention of the Georgia District to order at 8:15 A.M.

The Lucy C. Laney JROTC Color Guard presented colors and Andy Pipkin, Governor Elect led the Pledge.

Jim Perry, Spiritual Aims Chair gave the invocation.

George Elkins, Vice Governor, introduced guests.

Mayor Hardie Davis, Jr. welcomed the delegation to Augusta.

Cathy Szymanski, International Trustee, from the Pennsylvania District addressed the session.

Lucy Zheng, 2019-20 CKI Governor addressed the session. She is a senior at Georgia Tech. Circle K International has 13,000 members – small but mighty. They provide more service hours per member than any SLP.

Governor Debbie Brilling gave the State of the District Address.

Charles Staples, Georgia District Kiwanis Foundation President addressed the session. He nominated Mathew Ellis and Jordan Hubbard 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: 141 delegates and 44 at-large delegates for a total of 185 to vote.

The floor was opened for nominations for Governor. Kathy Pipkin, wife of Andy Pipkin and member of the Thomasville Club placed the name of Andy Pipkin in nomination. A second was made by Kim Maxwell, member of the Henry County Club. Andy was elected by acclamation.

The floor was opened for nominations for Governor Elect. Jerome Alford, Past President of the LaGrange Club placed the name of George Elkins in nomination. A second was made by Elia Baltes, secretary of the LaGrange Club. George was elected by acclamation.

The floor was opened for nominations for Vice Governor. Lindsay Bennett, Past President of the Tattall County Club placed the name of Byron Mullican in nomination. A second was made by Cindy Hulsey, Past President of the Brooklet Club. Byron was elected by acclamation. Byron provided a speech of why he is seeking the office of Vice Governor.

Dottie Gregg, By-Laws, Policies and Resolutions Chair presented two Amendments:

Amendment #1

Approval of Kiwanis International as the Background Check provider for Lt. Governors.

Amendment # 1 Passed

Amendment #2

To open the criteria for eligibility to be a candidate for Lt. Governor.

Amendment #2 Failed

Dottie Gregg presented 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 Debbie Brillling

Resolution # 5 – GA District Foundation – expresses appreciation to the Foundation Board

Resolution # 6 – District Counselor 2018-19 – expresses appreciation to Charles “Chuck” Gugliuzza, who served as our Counselor for 2018-19.

Resolution #7 - District Counselor 2018-19 – expresses appreciation to Cathy Szymanski, who will serve as our Counselor for 2019-20.

Resolution # 8 – Logistics Chair – Mid-Year Training – Annual Convention - expresses appreciation to Brent Leslie

Resolution # 9 – Annual Convention Chair – expresses appreciation to Sam Tyson

Resolution #10 – Training Chair for Mid-Year Training and Annual Convention – expresses appreciation to Mike Sullivan

All resolutions were approved by acclamation.

Mike Sullivan, Training Chair for 2018-19 provided a few comments about the training schedule which is covered on pages 17/20 of the convention program.

Katrina Baranko talked about the next International Convention which will be held in Indianapolis, IN next year. The dates will be June 18-21, 2020.

Lindsay Bennett next year’s chair for our District Convention invited all of us to come to Savannah, Georgia. The dates are August 21-23, 2020.

Session was adjourned at 10:05 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by

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Executive Director