

Installation of District's Board of Directors

The membership of the district board of directors consists of the current district officers, the two most immediate past governors, the governor-elect, and the club presidents. I would like all of the members of the district board of directors to please stand.

The responsibilities and authority of the district's board of directors are established by the Bylaws of Optimist International, the Bylaws of the District, and by assignment of the International Board of Directors.

The bylaws require that the District Board of Directors meet quarterly, at which time, you will participate in deciding the future of your district. You are not required, but invited to attend the Optimist International Convention where you can participate in deciding the future of Optimist International.

As a member of the District Board of Directors each of you will play a key role in deciding such issues as dues increases, projects and programs that are conducted, the development of an international presence and increased publicity of the organization. You also serve as a member of the growth team of Optimist International, helping members to grow personally as we increase our numbers.

Through their vote at the district, and especially at the International Convention, the club presidents represent and speak on behalf of the individual members in our clubs. You are the voice guiding Optimist International into the future.

On behalf of the members of this district, the leadership of Optimist International, your predecessors, and those who will follow you, I challenge each of you – as officers and directors of this district, to provide the leadership, inspiration, recognition and initiative necessary to achieve a level of administration efficiency and effectiveness that will reward the district with the recognition of Honor and Distinguished.

Please raise your right hand and repeat after me:

I HEREBY SOLEMNLY PROMISE, ON MY HONOR AS AN OPTIMIST, THAT I WILL CARRY OUT THE DUTIES OF A DISTRICT DIRECTOR, TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY, IN HARMONY WITH THE BYLAWS OF OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL, SO HELP ME GOD.

By the authority vested in me by Optimist International I am happy to declare that the Board of Directors for the _____ District is duly installed.