

MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING

September 14, 2015

Videoconference
6:00 p.m. (Central)

The following Members of the 2014-15 Board of Directors were in attendance for the entire meeting:

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| Ron Huxley | Immediate Past President | Theford, Ontario |
| Kenneth Garner | President | Fort Worth, Texas |
| Dave Bruns | President Designate | Topeka, Kansas |
| Marlene Phillips | Director | Windsor, Ontario |
| Rick Quinlan | Director | Bellevue, Nebraska |
| Marc D. Katz | Director | Berkley, Michigan |
| James A. Oliver | Director | Valencia, California |
| Judy Boyd | Director | Urbandale, Iowa |
| Benny Ellerbe | Executive Director | St. Louis, Missouri |
| Excused: | | |
| Sue Creswell | Director | Reading, Pennsylvania |
| Javanni Waugh | JOOI President | Kingston, Jamaica |

Also in attendance:

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| Paul Lucas | Audit & Finance Committee Chair |
| Jim Kondrasuk | President-Elect |
| Rebecca Butler Mona | Director-Elect |
| Connie Pellock | Chief Financial Officer |
| Stephanie Monschein | Senior Director of Membership & Leadership Development |
| Ronda Vaughn | Senior Director of Marketing & Communications |
| Tom Carver | Senior Director of Operations & Technology |
| Maria Carson | Controller |
| Steve Skodak | Executive Director of the Optimist International Foundation |

Committee Reports are to be considered an integral part of these Minutes.

All items are not officially approved and subject to correction until they are adopted at the next meeting of the Board of Directors.

Monday, September 14, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. Central Time via videoconference by Immediate Past President Ron Huxley.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion adopted as presented

Phillips/Bruns

To adopt the agenda as presented.

APPROVAL OF VICE PRESIDENT REPLACEMENT

Motion adopted

Phillips/Katz

That the Board of Directors approve Mark Harris as the 2015-2016 Vice President for the Mid-Atlantic Region.

ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT DUES INCREASE REQUEST

Motion adopted

Garner/Bruns

That the Board of Directors deny the ALMS District’s request for a \$4/year dues increase and allow a special convention to be held for the District to consider another dues increase.

BUILDING ISSUES AND UPDATE

Motion adopted

Phillips/Boyd

That the Board of Directors offer \$25,000 as earnest money on the Pritchard Farm Road building with proper legal consideration and contingent on sale of Lindell property.

OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL ORATORICAL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Motion adopted

Bruns/Phillips

That the Board of Directors adopt the following as the official name of the new World Championships Oratorical Contests: “The Optimist International Oratorical World Championships”

Motion adopted

Katz/Boyd

To adjourn the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m. Central time.

Benny Ellerbe
Executive Director/Secretary