

MINUTES
2nd Qtr. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
NORTH CAROLINA WEST DISTRICT #44
February 11, 2011 - Hawthorne Inn, Winston Salem, NC

The following members of the 2010-2011 Executive Committee were in attendance for the Friday, February 11, 2011 meeting:

Lawrence Kelley	Governor	Lenoir, NC
Odell Witherspoon	Immediate Past Governor	Charlotte, NC
Kathy Howard	Governor-Elect	Albemarle, NC
Dianne Mallard	Assistant Governor	Charlotte, NC
Sandy Middleton	Secretary-Treasurer	Charlotte, NC
Larry Foster	Lt. Governor – Zone 2	Boone, NC
Jerry Brown	Lt. Governor – Zone 3	Lenoir, NC
Anita Mapes	Lt. Governor – Zone 4	Hickory, NC
Roger Wuest	Lt. Governor – Zone 5	Shelby, NC
Alan Amery	Lt. Governor – Zone 7	Charlotte, NC
Mary Martin-Jones	Lt. Governor – Zone 8	Charlotte, NC
Gerenda Davis	Lt. Governor – Zone 9	Charlotte, NC
Gene Swift	Lt. Governor – Zone 11	Boone, NC

Guests:

Also present were: Bill Teague, Past International President, Finance Chair, Asheville, NC; J. C. Boone, Past International President, Albemarle, NC; Keith Middleton, Past International VP, Governor & Parliamentarian, Charlotte, NC; Howard Bridges, Past Governor & Sgt-at-Arms, Asheville, NC; Ginny Fowler, Past Governor & L & D Chair, Charlotte, NC; Bill Fowler, Past International VP, Governor & New Club Building Chair, Charlotte, NC; Wayne Higgins, Past Governor & Public Relations Chair, Weaverville, NC; Ron Jones, Past Governor & Boys & Girls Home Chair, Pinehurst, NC; Stewart Mallard, Membership East Chair, Charlotte, NC; Richard Highland, Past Governor & A&A-Activities Chair, Charlotte, NC; Ron Lackey, Past International VP, Governor & NCB Chair West, Lenoir, NC; Gene Swift, Past Governor & Lt. Governor, Boone, NC and Gary Greene, Boys & Girls Home Rep, Lake Waccamaw, NC

Governor Kelley called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Invocation was given by Chaplain Thomas Wilkins; Dianne Mallard, Assistant Governor led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mission Statements. Dianne also recognized the Past International Presidents, International Vice Presidents, and Governors, as well as the members of the Executive Committee present.

Past International Vice President, Keith Middleton, Parliamentarian presented the Rules of Voting and Motions of the Executive Committee stating that only members of the Executive Committee are permitted to vote or make motions.

Minutes of 1st Quarter Executive Committee Meeting:

- Motion to approve the Minutes of the 1st Quarter Executive Committee, as distributed, was made by Gene Swift, Lt. Governor, seconded by Anita Mapes, Lt. Governor. Approved.

1st Quarter Financials:

- Motion to accept 1st Quarter Financials, as distributed, subject to CPA review, in accordance with Optimist International Policies was made by Mary Martin Jones, Lt. Governor, seconded by Larry Foster, Lt. Governor. Motion carried.

District Accounts Receivable Report was given by Sandy Middleton, District Secretary-Treasurer, stating that as of February 10, 2011, 7 clubs owe their first half district dues which were billed in October, 2010. These are: #44214 Happy Valley - \$84.50; #44473 Whitnel - \$32.50; #44578 Gastonia-Huskie - \$45.50; #44584 N. Lincoln Knights - \$78.00; #44597 NC Youth League - \$110.50; #42111 Concord-Logan - 123.50; and #44050 Broadway - \$247.00 for a total of \$721.50.

CPA Review Report for the Year End 2009-2010 (Accounting Bookkeeping Financial Services of Charlotte) was presented by Immediate Past Governor, Odell Witherspoon.

Special Called Convention:

Bill Teague, Past OI Int'l President, Past Governor and Finance Chair, informed the Executive Committee that NCW was granted permission to hold a special Called Convention & Vote during the General Session of our meeting tomorrow. This request came from the Finance Committee for the purpose of petitioning a district dues increase of \$5.00 annually, effective April 1, 2011.

Zone Reports:

Governor Lawrence Kelley gave a synopsis of Zone Activity based on Zone Reports which were sent to him prior to this meeting. He commended Lt. Governor Jerry Brown, Zone 3, for his zone bringing in a total of 73 new members, with first new club, Sawmills (40 members).

Governor Kelley stated the goals for NC West District as determined by Optimist International President, Danny Rodgers to be a Distinguished District. Governor Kelley stated that our goal is to bring in 800 new members or 40% of our October 1, 2010 beginning membership number. Much discussion followed.

Membership:

Stewart Mallard, Membership Chair East, gave our membership report. As of this date, NCW has added 188 new members, 63 of these are Friend of Optimist members. Stewart presented the current OI Membership Incentives, as well as District Membership Awards which include: Governor's One Member award pin; Three Member Governor's Logo shirt, and Five Member Star Award.

New Club Building:

Bill Fowler, New Club Building East Chair, and Ron Lackey, New Club Building West Chair, asked for updates on new club building efforts. Bill is working on rebuilding a club in NE Charlotte. Larry Foster is working on a club in Avery County which should be completed by April. Bill and Ron offered their assistance to make these efforts a success.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Kathy Howard, Governor-Elect 2011-2012 requested the help of all Lt. Governors to obtain Officer Elect forms be turned in prior to May, 2011.

Optimist Creed was led by Kathy Howard, Governor-Elect
The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Middleton, District Secretary-Treasurer