CAPITAL DISTRICT KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL
Quarterly Committee Report & Committee Evaluation

Committee: Youth Protection Date: February 2021

Chairperson: Josh Hiscock

To be completed by the Committee Chairperson and submitted to the District Secretary and supervising District Trustee no later than 21 days before each quarterly District Board Meeting.

1. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Committee fully staffed: Yes ☐ No ☐

I consider every Lt. Governor and Trustee to be part of this committee, as we are all responsible for the compliance of our clubs and club-level Kiwanis Advisors.

2. KIWANIS YEAR GOALS

GOAL	% Complete
Achieve 100% club participation in annual Youth Protection Policy training requirement *(As of 02.10.2021 -- 141 Kiwanis Clubs – 60 Complete; 81 Incomplete)*	43% complete as of 02.10.2021
Achieve 100% club compliance with Kiwanis Advisor background check requirement *(As of 02.10.2021-- 382 SLP Clubs; 359 Sponsored by a Kiwanis Club; 290 Are In Full Compliance)*	81% complete as of 02.10.2021
Provide on-going education about the Kiwanis Youth Protection Guidelines to club and district officers by providing one workshop at Kiwanis Mid-Year (2021), DCON (2021), two articles annually in the Capital Kiwanian, and additional in-person or virtual training to clubs and divisions upon request	Articles placed in every Capital Kiwanian; Virtual session presented for Capital District web series (10/20)
Promote Youth Protection Week (Fall 2020) and have committee members plan one in-person or online event in each region for clubs, members, club officers, and district officers to partake in – all of which would satisfy annual club education requirements	Article in August/Sept 2020 Capital Kiwanian promoting observance
Fully populate Youth Protection Committee and hold four meetings during the year, including three virtual meetings and one in-person committee meeting (Meetings in November, March, June, September)	On-going

3. CHALLENGES OR ASSISTANCE NEEDED:

According to data received from KI in February 2021, of the 382 SLP clubs in the Capital District, 23 are not sponsored by a Kiwanis club. Of the 359 SLP clubs sponsored by a Kiwanis club, 315 have reported the name of a Kiwanis Advisor in Kiwanis Connect and 44 have not (90% compliance). Of the 315 SLP clubs with a reported Kiwanis Advisor, 288 advisors have a valid and clear criminal background check on file and 27 do not have a background check on file at all or have an expired background check awaiting renewal (91% compliance). Overall, we are at 81% compliance with the Kiwanis Advisor background check policy. I continue to re-assess progress toward goal completion and will continue to work toward 100% Kiwanis Advisor background check compliance by September 30, 2021.

Any Kiwanis Advisor without a valid background check on file with Kiwanis International was removed from their role on September 01, 2020. This has had residual effects on our data and within our Kiwanis clubs as they scramble to address issues. We continue to see a lot of club compliance issues due to this.

I continue to monitor club compliance with the annual Youth Protection Policies education requirement. As of February 2021, we are at 43% club completion (60 of 141 Kiwanis Clubs). This metric re-set on October 01 for the new Kiwanis administrative year. We have work to do to achieve 100% compliance with this by early 2021.

Division	Number of Clubs	Number of Clubs Completing Annual Member Education Requirement	Percent Complete
1	9	4	44%
2	11	6	55%
3	6	1	17%
4	6	2	33%
5	11	8	73%
6	9	1	11%
7	5	3	60%
8	5	2	40%
9	7	2	29%
10	7	7	100%
11	5	2	40%
12	10	3	30%
13	9	5	56%
14	11	1	9%
15	9	3	33%
16	9	5	56%
17	12	5	42%
	141	60	43%

4. COMMENTS:

Members of the Kiwanis Club of Capital – Next Generation e-Club are planning to become the Kiwanis Advisors to some of the 23 currently non-sponsored SLP clubs. They are currently in the process of receiving their background checks. Once completed, and one addressed in Kiwanis Connect by Member Services, this will increase our number of sponsored SLP clubs WITH Kiwanis Advisors and WITH valid background checks. This will be a big improvement for the Capital District.

The data provided to the Capital District from Kiwanis International continues to have irregularities in it. Some active Kiwanis clubs do not appear on reports, and Kiwanis International's IT team cannot determine why they are missing. Many inactive SLP clubs still appear on reports as well, and this skews our compliance numbers. The data set was compromised in 2020-2021 when SLP clubs were given a one-year grace period on dues payments due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Many clubs that had been previously removed from lists were added again since, technically, they had a renewed opportunity to reactivate. I surmise that this will continue to be an issue for the remainder of 2020-2021 and will be rectified in 2021-2022.

SIGNED: *Josh Hiscock*