CAPITAL DISTRICT KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL
Quarterly Committee Report & Committee Evaluation

Committee: Youth Protection Date: August 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 08.01.2021 -- 141 Kiwanis Clubs – 118 Complete; 23 Incomplete)*	83% complete as of 08.01.2021
Achieve 100% club compliance with Kiwanis Advisor background check requirement *(As of 08.01.2021-- 382 SLP Clubs; 359 Sponsored by a Kiwanis Club; 288 Are In Full Compliance)*	80% complete as of 08.01.2021
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); Multiple club and division-level trainings completed
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 early August 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, 319 have reported the name of a Kiwanis Advisor in Kiwanis Connect and 40 have not (89% compliance). Of the 319 SLP clubs with a reported Kiwanis Advisor, 290 advisors have a valid and clear criminal background check on file and 29 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. This has not changed since earlier in 2021. 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. All SLP clubs on COVID-A status are also missing from some of the reports from Kiwanis International. 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 early August 2021, we are at 84% club completion (118 of 141 Kiwanis Clubs). This metric re-set on October 01 for the new Kiwanis administrative year. We have just a little more work to do in order to achieve 100% compliance with this by September 2021.

Division	Number of Clubs	Number of Clubs Completing Annual Member Education Requirement	Percent Complete
1	9	8	89%
2	11	11	100%
3	6	5	83%
4	6	5	83%
5	11	9	82%
6	9	7	78%
7	5	4	80%
8	5	3	60%
9	8	6	75%
10	7	7	100%
11	5	4	80%
12	10	10	100%
13	9	7	78%
14	11	7	64%
15	9	6	67%
16	8	8	100%
17	12	11	92%
	141	118	84%

4. COMMENTS:

Data has been obtained on youth compliance in West Virginia. Sadly, this data is not promising. Only two clubs in the entire provisional district have completed, and reported completion of, the annual youth protection member education requirement during 2020-2021. There is a lot of work to be done in extending the good youth protection compliance work we are doing in the Capital District to our new clubs in West Virginia.

Our data for non-sponsored Builder's Clubs and K-Kids Clubs is not strong. My hope is to improve this in coordination with Jamie Moore and Justin Garrow in the year ahead as they assume their respective District Administrator roles.

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*