



Michigan District of Circle K International
District Board Meeting
Friday, March 20, 2015
DCON - Ann Arbor, MI

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
 - a. Governor Emily Bagwell - here
 - b. Secretary Chiara Sackellares - here
 - c. Treasurer Alysia Rollins - here
 - d. Bulletin Editor Kathleen Hurley – not here
 - e. Club Building Chair Amanda Beauchamp - not here
 - f. Kiwanis Family Relations Chair Stacey Tyburski – not here
 - g. Technology Chair Chris Seeman - here
 - h. Service Chair Zachery Gizicki - here
 - i. District Convention Chair Caroline Grachek – not here
 - j. Adrian College Representative - not here
 - k. Central Michigan University Representative Amanda Dembski - here
 - l. Eastern Michigan University Representative Jessica Northrup - here
 - m. Ferris State University Representative Andrew Zwerlein - here
 - n. Grand Valley State University Representative Amber Hutson - here
 - o. Hillsdale College Representative - not here
 - p. Michigan State University Representative Brad Hassberger
 - q. Northwood University Representative Justine Arvizu - here
 - r. Oakland University Representative Katie Parisi - here
 - s. University of Michigan – Ann Arbor Representative Ashley Austin - here
 - t. Wayne State University Representative –
 - u. Administrator Lori Stillwell
 - v. Assistant Administrator Caitlyn Kienitz
- III. Guests
 - a. Michael Synder – CMU
 - b. Angela Scarponi EMU
 - c. Tori – EMU
 - d. Adison Cliffeld – Key Club Gov
 - e. Alexa Stillwell – future Circle Ker
 - f. Lynda Lawther – Michigan Governor Elect
 - g. Jeff Lawther – Ypsilanti Kiwanis
- IV. Approval of Agenda

- a. Emily entertains a motion to approve the agenda
 - b. So moved – Ashley Austin
 - c. Seconded – Andrew Zwerein
 - d. Motion passes
- V. Approval of LovePit Meeting Minutes
- a. Emily entertains a motion to approve the LovePit meeting minutes
 - b. So moved - Katy Parisi
 - c. Seconded Jessica Northrup
 - d. Motion passes

VI. Updates

a. Governor

Since Lovepit I have been working with our board on transition packets, working on things for DCON, finishing up the last of my club visits (I visited 10 out of our 11 clubs, Adrian being the only one I was unable to attend), and representing Circle K at Key Club convention--while there we were able to get 50 names and email addresses and future colleges of graduating seniors to get them to join Circle K. My biggest plan now in the next coming weeks is just to work with the Incoming Governor to help make our district as best as possible for the future. I know that many of our board did not have too good of an example set for them last year as well as they did not have very good materials coming in for the year, so I worked to change that and think that it will help to improve our district for the future.

I highly recommend everyone attend CKlx in Indy from June 23-26. EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION CLOSSES APRIL 17 (Only \$225 but goes up to \$325 afterwards). Also, Leadership Academy is always an amazing opportunity that I really recommend you consider--ask your sponsoring Kiwanis club for funding help if that is the issue. \$195 per person for 6 days. July 26-31 in Morgantown, Indiana. (Applications due July 6).

Thank you so much, it has been a pleasure working alongside all of you!

b. Secretary

I have sent out all the board meeting minutes to date. I have helped trouble shoot problems with the MRF and remind clubs to submit their MRFs. I've been attending various interclubs, helping with DCON, and promoting Kfam and inteclub events. I also made a transition packet for next year's District Secretary.

c. Treasurer

Mainly have been busy with DCON. Tracking payments and working with Lori a lot to make sure to get people to pay, and get as many

people as we could to register for the weekend. So thank you everyone for being here and recruiting as much as you could, because we have a fantastic turn out for the weekend and it's going to be amazing! (:

d. Bulletin Editor

Over the past month or so I have worked on the last bulletin, created the DCON program, made my transition packet, worked with the DCON committee to finalize everything. It has been a great year! I'm sorry I couldn't be at this meeting but it has been great working with all of you!!! :)

e. Fall Rally Chair

Ferrets are really cute, I play with Scout every night from 9-10pm!

f. Club Building Chair

Please fill out the Club Building Committee Survey when you have a chance!

g. K Fam Chair

Andrew, I know I'm not there but this is my last update in Circle K ever. So it is going to be long and you can just deal with it, even if my update is longer than Emily's. She isn't the one graduating. Anyway, here's what I've been up to:

-Went on ASB trip to Florida, which was so much fun! I encourage everyone to participate in one before you graduate. We also found a Kiwanis sign while we were down there :)

-Thanks to Ferris for sending members (Andrew and Tiffany) to our induction ceremony. We inducted 14 new members, installed our new eboard, and enjoyed some delicious FroYo. Sorry your gavel was stolen while you were there, Ferris. Guess you'll have to come visit us again!

-Went to Grand Valley Interclub, which was so much fun! It was a murder mystery and I won! Can't wait for them to host more events in the future! Thanks for having us!

-Working on my transition packet. If you know anyone who is interested in applying to be the District Kfam chair, have them talk to me!

-You could also have them attend the President's Panel Workshop and ask me there.

Ideas for next year:

1. Host 2 district-wide/K fam wide events (one in summer/fall, one in winter/spring) throughout the year? (Tiger's game, picnic, etc)
2. Continue Kiwanis sign road rally? (New competition, make sure all schools know about it since only 3 schools participated this year)
3. Involve the club Kfam chairs more on the district committee somehow (hold monthly meetings? Make them members of the

committee?)

4. Any other suggestions that you would like to see from the committee next year?

-Wayne State Interclub on March 27th!

-Applications for District Chairs

Thank you to the Presidents, Chairs, Executive Board, Caitlyn, and Lori for all your help and support of my committee this year. Especially to Emily, who probably got annoyed with my constant texts to her throughout the year. Also thanks to Luke from Eastern and Nathan from Oakland for being awesome committee members! I honestly didn't know what to expect when I applied for a chair position, but I am so glad I had the opportunity to serve our district alongside all of you. As many of you know, I am graduating at the end of the year which means I will be leaving Circle K to become a Kiwanian. I am so thankful to not only have been a part of the best collegiate organization in the world, but also the best district in the world. I have made some of my best friends not only through Circle K at Oakland, but from other schools as well. You are all amazing and I have no idea how I could have gotten through college without Circle K and all of you. Congrats to the other senior graduating this year! And for those of you not graduating yet, enjoy your time in college and Circle K because it goes by quickly and is over before you know it. (Okay, Andrew. I'm done now.)

h. Service Chair

I have created a transition packet for next year's Service Chair. This will be useful in figuring out what I was working on as well as give helpful hints about they can focus on.

i. Technology Chair

My main work has been getting everything ready for DCON and preparing games/workshops. Everything looks good so far, and I hope all of you enjoy them! I will do a bit more cleanup work on the Website over the next two weeks, just to get things in a more presentable state for International Awards and prep for the next District Tech Chair, as well. It's been a great year serving on the District Board, so here's to making even more great CKI memories and an awesome DCON! We should be sure to push District Chair Applications at the Closing Session on Sunday to make sure people can hear about them.

j. DCON chair

k. Administrator

- a. Everyone has been amazing. You're dedication to Circle K is outstanding. Looking forward to next year's board too.
 - b. Assistant Administrator
 - i. Thanks for all your hard work. You did a great job
- VII. Club Presidents/Representatives
- a. Oakland University
 - i. We had inductions March 11th! Emily came to get her bell on March 18th! We volunteered with TLSK on March 15th ! March 28th is Oakland Go for the Gold event for incoming Freshmen. April 18th at Eisenhower High-School is having a Kids Against Hunger packaging.
 - b. U of M
 - i. Not much has happened since Lovepit. We elected our new board, and interviewed and placed new chairs for next year! With ASB and Dance Marathon and DCON (almost) over, the year is starting to wind down. The main things left for the year are Alternative Spring Break, Kiwanis One Week, STUFH the Bus and Installations! STUFH the Bus: March 28-29. A new event for us! The school is letting us use one of the UM buses. We'll be parking the bus in front of the Michigan League and trying to fill it with canned goods for STUFH!! It's going to be so fun!!!! You can sign up for shifts on the calendar <http://mcirclek.org/ck/calendar>
Installations: April 2
Relay for Life: April 11
End of Year Picnic: April 16, 7-9pm
 - c. CMU
 - i. We are excited for the new year, we have a new eboard with only two open positions thus far. We also have been having a lot better semester filling up volunteer events.
March 30th 5-8pm Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser
April 18th 12-5pm Kids Against Hunger
April 20th 8pm Powers 200 Inductions
End of the year Picnic
***If there is any place in your schools area that need help with volunteers this summer please let me know soon!*
 - d. Eastern
 - i. We just elected our new e-board and they're going to do great! (Hopefully) We have a transition date set and lovely transition binders. The interest in leadership grew a lot this year, so the incoming president and I have discussed creating appointed chair positions, to be appointed before the end of the semester. Our second monthly service project, a game night at Gilbert

Residence, a local elderly home, got off to a great start! Finally, we had some issues with DCON funding, but have mostly sorted it out.

Salvation Army Soup Kitchen with Ypsilanti Kiwanis Thurs [3/26
4:30-6pm]

Wayne State Interclub – Punch Bowl [Fri 3/27, 7-11pm]FestiFools
Studio Volunteering [Sat 3/28 2-5pm]

Installations!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! [Mon 4/6 7:30pm]

EMU's Relay for Life [Friday 4/10-Sat 4/11]

Kiwanis Club of Ypsilanti Pancake Breakfast [Sat 4/11]

Selling yanke candles to raise money for CKI...and Circle K
underwear. (Bit of sappiness because I'm graduating in August)

Circle K has helped me grow more during college than any other
single thing. It has been full of joy and passion and stress and
love. Thank you to everyone – you made my time in Circle K
amazing and life changing and you're truly wonderful people.

e. Grand Valley

- i. We keep getting new interest in our club and a lot of members are bringing their friends to events. Our Murder Mystery Dinner successful and we had a good turn out.

March 28: Day of Service

April 10: Relay For Life

f. U of M Dearborn

- i. UMD is doing pretty well. We have lots of activities going on but still very low attendance. We're working on structuring next year better so that we can come back full swing in the fall!

Sorry for our streak of absences, things have been a bit of a struggle lately. We'll be making many more appearances once we get our CKI lives together! :)

g. Ferris

- i. Elected new board, Relay for Life, club shirts, and more!
March 26th – New Board Installations/Inductions
March 27th-28th (6pm-6am) Relay for Life at Wink Arena (Join our team on our Facebook page and come join us whenever)
April 18th-The Big Event at Top Taggart Field
April 25th – Ferris Fest at North Quad
Late April/Early May – Hopefully a dunk tank fundraiser?

* Also hopefully a service project with Habitat Resale Shop and/or Project Starburst

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO THINK ABOUT THE HAUNTED HOUSE!!!!!!!!!!!!

h. Northwood

- i. Over \$450 was raised from our Buy-A-Bagger event last month and will be donated to March of Dimes and Special Olympics. A big shout out to Ferris for visiting us and helping with that fundraiser. We are still selling Red Wings tickets to help raise money for the club – games are March 26th and March 31st. Shout out to Oakland for already buying tickets. If any other club is interested, please contact me.

Wednesday, March 25 at 8pm will be Northwood inductions for new members and next year's e-board so everyone is invited to join in on the fun! We'll have a social afterward and probably go to dinner somewhere. Wednesday, April 1st at 6pm we will be hosting our annual Wheelchair Basketball event. We would love to have other clubs make teams and join us in the fun. The cost is \$30 per team, 6 players to a team. Admission to the game is donation-only and there will be a ton of giveaways for both audience members and teams. And all money raised will be donated to the Special Olympics.

i. Hillsdale

- i. We had a booth at parent's weekend again to try to attract new members and hopefully will have more people come to our meetings.

j. Michigan State

- i. We have been preparing for a Gala. It will be in April. We have a lot of local sponsors. On April 18th, MSU has Relay for Life

k. Adrian – no update

l. Wayne State

- i. Punch Bowl Social

VIII. District Goals Update as of February 31, 2015

- a. 16605.9 Service hours (Goal 18,500)
- b. 184 K-Fam Events (Goal 180) ☺
- c. 106 Interclubs (Goal 70) ☺
- d. 411 Members (Goal 550) ☺
- e. \$3,510.79 Raised for Eliminate (Goal \$4000)... only those reported on MRFs

- f. At least 2 people from each club represented at each district event... about 9 out of 11 clubs
- g. 0 clubs built ☹ Help weaker clubs and Build 2 new clubs.
- h. 107 people registered for DCON!! ☺ -20 Guests!
- IX. Last minute DCON details
 - a. Introduction of clubs
 - b. President's Panel Workshop
 - c. Escorts during Banquet
- X. DCON 2016 Host Club Vote
 - a. Emily entertains a motion to have a voice vote
 - i. Motion passes
 - b. Emily entertains a motion to approve CMU's application to host DCON
 - i. So move Jessica Northrup
 - ii. Seconded Andrew Zwerlein
 - iii. Motion passes
- XI. Upcoming Events
 - a. Wayne State Interclub: Punch Bowl Social, March 27
 - b. Northwood Wheelchair Basketball, April 1 at 7pm for Special Olympics. \$5 per player
 - c. CKIx, June 23-26 this summer in Indy!
 - i. REGISTER BEFORE APRIL 17 FOR \$225
 - ii. Apply for club awards please!
 - d. Leadership Academy, July 26-31 for \$195. Apply by July 6
- XII. Administrative Comments
- XIII. Open Floor
 - a. Take a picture
 - b. Send Chiara new club board names and email addresses:
chiaraks@umich.edu
 - c. Having a board meeting after brunch
- XIV. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 6:07 pm

DCON 2015 Hosting Application

What qualifies your club to host DCON?

With our new motivated Elected Board, we are enthusiastic to help make next years DCON the best it can be. We also have a strong membership backbone and full support with Kiwanis, Key Club, and Builders Club. Mount Pleasant is a great place to host DCON with our abundant amount of service projects through out the day (as proven with 12 hour day of service) and being very



close to a majority of the clubs. Also, most of our e-board for next year has attended at least one DCON in addition to other district events during their Circle K careers, so we have ideas of what we like and what we think could be improved upon.

How can hosting DCON be beneficial to your club?

DCON will help our club next year by promoting more involvement with our new and old members, the planning of the events will inspire them to be as active as they can be. Besides our members, the E-board will be able to experience a new kind of leadership and experience that only comes from being able to host a large scale event such as DCON. This is especially true for two of our e-board members that are receiving degrees in public relations and advertisements. Events like these are great for everyone because they can learn how much time and effort goes into making these things a success, and then at the end they feel accomplished and pride that they were able to pull it off while reminding themselves that all great programs come from teamwork.

Describe your plans to host DCON. Will you form a committee?

Once the weekend has been chosen and classes have ended for the 2014-2015 year, the planning of DCON will begin. With classes ending, the elected board will be free to help out with any details that can be planned during the summer. With this, the goal would be to have the hotel, food, and theme chosen and confirmed by the end of summer. As the 2015-2016 year begins, we will have new freshman to recruit to help the elected board work to finish all of the tasks needed to be done and completed. Since we have a relatively small club, our committee will be formed through the different chairs and each chair will have a set amount of things to accomplish by certain deadlines.

How do you plan on working with the District Board to make DCON a success?

With full confidence in the district board, whoever they will be, CMU will be sure to participate in each board meeting (in whichever form) and assign tasks for the e-board to perform. This is not saying that the board will be doing a majority of the planning, but we are hoping that the board will be there to help decide on small details and help in making sure we are doing everything that is expected.

Describe how you plan on improving on past conventions?

Though the previous years have been amazing thus far, Central Michigan hopes to improve on making sure it is cost effective, integration of Kiwanis and having events more flexible with the weather. With the convention being in Mount Pleasant, the cost of many things will be cheaper without losing the variety that everyone enjoys. For example venue. To compete with the Soaring Eagle, many



places have cheaper prices in hotels with the added bonus large rooms to go to. The other benefit of being in Mount Pleasant is the activity of Kiwanis groups in the area. Though many other cities have very active members, here our Key Club and Builders club are always active to come and help out at any major event we host. So with that, we would actively invite our key clubbers and builders club members to help out at our volunteer events and participate in the Kiwanis dinner and dance. The other portion we would improve on is having volunteering events indoors instead of outside. Though it is great to help outside, the likelihood of the weather being decent is very slim. With this in mind, most of the service events would then be held in the safety of a warm building. However, if weather is permitting, and there is interest in participating in events there will be events outdoors.

List potential service projects for DCON

On Saturday, the events can accommodate any interest in the district.

Kids Against Hunger- 3-4 hours, no limit of volunteers and on campus. This event packages thousands of meals to benefit people who are hungry and are in need of a meal. During the event, volunteers will be measuring, packaging and sealing food to be sent to the ware house. It is a great activity for any type of volunteer because it keeps you active and it is for a great cause.

Discovery Museum- 3-4 hours, 10-15 volunteers at the Discovery Museum.

The Discovery Museum is the new children museum in Mount Pleasant and hosts many creative and outgoing events throughout the year. During April, they host a few Earth day events along with a reading promotion event. These events help educate kids to be at their fullest potential and help spread happiness to others. Volunteers would then play a role in helping out with the kids or with around the museum itself to answer any questions during the event.

Hopewell Horse Ranch. 3-4 hours. no limit, at Hopewell Ranch.

Hopewell Ranch is center for those with special needs to be able to safely ride horses and accomplish different physical goals that they would not normally do. Volunteers would then help make sure the child does not fall off and help out around the ranch so that it can be a safe and clean space for the children.

Mobile Food Pantry 3-5 hours, no limit, on campus at Finch Feildhouse.

The Mobile Food Pantry is much like the typical pantry except to a much larger scale. During the event, members of the community have the chance to receive food for the month, play games, and win additional items that would normally be a hard purchase at a grocery store. With so many activities occurring, volunteers would be able to help out with the games, pack the food bags, pass out the bags, or any other special things that they have going on. With these set events, there always are other events that pop up as the snow melts along with the ability to schedule smaller projects such as the Humane Society or Habitat for Humanity.



Hotels

Comfort Inn and Suites 2424 S Mission St, Mt Pleasant, MI 48858

Hampton Inn 5205 Pickard, Mount Pleasant, MI

Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort 6800 Soaring Eagle Boulevard, Mount Pleasant, MI

Fairfield Inn and Suites 2525 University Park Dr, Mt Pleasant, MI

Anything else?

Central Michigan University has not hosted a DCON in many years and this is definitely the year to host it. We have many returning and incoming members that are excited for the year to come and to be more involved in Circle K as a whole. On top of our excitement and dedication, we are also very open to suggestions and comments so that we can make it the best DCON that it can be for the members of District especially the large amount of graduating seniors.

