



# Kiwanis DIVISION 11 \* Nebraska-Iowa

Division 11 Council Meeting — February 16, 2019 8:15 - 9:30 am

## Notes by Bob Sperry

1. Call to order & Welcome- Geri
2. NE/IA Trustee Report — Joe Melcher -Region 5 Trustee – report- He is in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of his term in one year he will need a replacement; candidate must have been a LT Governor – See Joe, if interested. Division 11 leads the entire district in membership.; A new division, #25 has been created. It used to be #24 West. The trustees are working on updating their I-Plan and also to improve the CLE training program. Everyone is looking for **“Sponsors” to improve funding for districts, special events and even clubs.** Consider selling advertisements for programs or websites (See the Jefferson website as an example)  
VCPO is now for young children -pre-birth to 8; Also looking at the Hunger theme for youth – Johnston has started Little Food Pantries; Starting a Membership blitz - because of declining membership in all clubs. Plan early for your Governor’s visit to get on schedule – very busy. Group looking at the K-Leader program to determine if it needs to be “tweaked” and how.... Now looking for a replacement for Larry Ziska – Will be Either Secretary OR Treasurer. Our current District Secretary, Amber LOVES event planning, but does not like administration so much 😞 (Job is currently about 42% Admin, 45% event planning and 13% Finance). Because this position serves at the pleasure of the District Governor. Consideration is being given to continuing her services (part time?) and hiring someone else (part time?) for the admin work The incoming district Governor has 11 of the new Lt Governors lined up for the coming year.
3. NE/IA Foundation Report — Gerri Bugg – Have a meeting this Friday afternoon. District may start sending invoices for the foundation dues (\$6 each), because some clubs fail to know where to send them.....They also appreciate individual contributions; about 12-15 members (of 5000) donate to the district and about (??) of 200,000 donate to the Children’s fund; Jody is the vice chair of the Foundation and reported that the Girl Scouts of Johnston had put a **Little Food Pantry by the library** – it is relatively new, so no reports on performance are available. The **Foundation wants to start this project in our District.**
4. Teen Maze 2019 — Gerri Bugg – Planning and preparation is coming along well. Online sign up for volunteers is often being handled by one person per club. Meeting this Thursday evening at 5:30 pm. Will have a new booth on “Self Care” – Mental and Physical; “First Impressions” – Speed Interviewing
  - Miracle Field Update —Jody Melcher - **\$75,000 pledged & almost completed this year** - Naming rights for **home dugout - Kiwanis Dugout!** Jody says \$71,388 turned in already; their club has over \$2000 to turn in and another club has over \$1000 to turn in yet, so we are VERY close! All money must be turned in by June 30th! **A special Kudos was given to the Ames Golden K for their GREAT contribution that encouraged the Division to raise it’s initial \$\$ goal from \$50 K to \$75 K.**
5. NE/IA District Newsletter to all members first week of the month — club articles welcome! Thanks to all the contributors (**Don Muff of Ames Golden K was mentioned!**) Came out this

past week and some are having trouble getting it. Secretaries need to be sure that the correct e-mails are in the portal(?) database.

6. NE/IA District Midyear Conference — February 23, 2019 in Omaha; Small group going to attend — I picked up advance hand outs about volunteering, captured ideas/comments from previous roundtables, and up to date contact lists for 2018-2019 Division 11 Leadership. **Event was cancelled on Tuesday, 2/19/19 due to weather**
7. Division 11 Membership Event
  - Clubs sponsor a booth to promote their club and bring dessert
  - Clubs share cost of cheese, crackers, fruit, veggie, and beverages (estimate \$30-50/club)
    - Official Governor Sue Waldren visit
  - Location: Indoor Golf Ames - @ North Grand Mall; date to be determined (spring/summer)
  - **Need volunteers for planning, plus sponsor for your table & treats. Every club should bring prospects as well -**
8. Communication — **share club newsletter and upcoming programs with me and other clubs — Some are not!**
9. Club Reports!
  - Ames Noon — Steve Sapp- Pancakes, Teen Maze, Working on new Key Club in Gilbert
  - Ames Town & Country — Randy Griffith started -as their SLP Chair, and gave updates on their Key Club — (Membership UP from 50 to 62 members); AKTION Club still active, although they have lost their charter; Sent three kids to Key Leader training.; **Andy Webb made a motion to elect Randy as our NEXT Lt Governor (2019-2020). Seconded and motion passed!** (He had agreed already, but was not an agenda item, and perhaps a bit early??)
  - Ames Golden K — Bob reported Pancake days, Teen Maze and that we had just completed the I-Plan review process. Sept (old and incoming Boards reviewed the document for possible revisions and updates, New Board discussed in October and November and approved revised plan in December. The revised plan was presented to the membership last Thursday (after a couple postponements) with a real emphasis on recruitment and retention of members, greater participation in projects and continued publicity of our projects. Bob also brought up our need for better communication with the community on our Paper Trailer project, especially when the trailer is Full and Locked up! Several mentioned **Mel in the Morning** as perhaps the best news outlet — for all age groups. **Perhaps setting up an “on the air” session with Mel for an interview and promotion of the program, and at the same time setting up a standard public announcement system thru the radio station about OPEN or CLOSED would be a good idea. Another suggestion for the site was an “OPEN” Flag (on or near the trailer) that could be seen from the street.**
  - Ballard — Just finished another very successful “Meat & Cheese Palooza”
  - Boone Day Breakers -
    - Boone Noon — Paul ?? March 4<sup>th</sup> Pork Chop Dinner, \$12, Serving 5:00 to 6:30 PM at Community Building on the Fairgrounds (Same Building as Teen Maze); They also sponsor “after prom night called KI-HI-KAPPER the last weekend of April and have for

MANY years. (Stan Moffit was one of the first persons to attend this and he is now 70 years old! They own a **casino table, money wheel, etc. They rent the equipment and their club out to hold events and do it all for others for a donation (normally \$300 - \$500).**

- Greater Story City – President Andy Webb reported on their Charter night (Friday night) and thanked all the other clubs for attending, bring auction items; and cash donations.
- Jefferson
- Nevada – Jody – Several projects with youth – Bag stuffing for Teen Maze
- Nevada Golden K
- Roland – Busy with new Story City Club and raising money for the Roland-Story Choir expenses as they travel to sing at Carnegie Hall! And also for the Baseball program AND holding a 5K Walk/Run to raise money for the new swimming pool
- Central Iowa 3-2-1 prospect – NOT MENTIONED

10. Next Division 11 Council **Meeting April 13 in Boone, Nevada, Jefferson or Huxley** - TBD  
- July 13 in Story City @ the Carousel

11. Adjourn with Kiwanis Defining Statement

*Next meetings* "Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world,  
*April 13th* **one child and one community at a time."**  
*9-10 (?) July 13th*  
*Boone ?*

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