

Circle K International  
Florida District  
House of Delegates Minutes  
February 17, 2018 10:20 am

**Clubs Present:**

Citrus Division:

Stetson University  
University of Central Florida

Evergold Division:

Florida Atlantic University  
Palm Beach Atlantic  
Palm Beach State College  
Miami Dade College- Hialeah

Panhandle Division:

Florida State University  
Tallahassee Community College  
University of West Florida

Sunbelt Division:

Hillsborough Community College- Brandon  
Southeastern University

Suncoast Division:

Florida Gulf Coast University  
Florida Southwestern College - Collier

Suwannee Division:

University of Florida  
University of North Florida

**Delegates-at-Large Present:**

District Secretary: Diamond Pichardo  
District Treasurer: Linda Martin  
Citrus Lieutenant Governor: Josephine Di Russo  
Panhandle Lieutenant Governor: Emily Roberts  
Suwannee Lieutenant Governor: Billy Hackett

**Head Table:**

Chair: Phoebe Sartori  
Acting Secretary: Gabi Castellanos

Elections & Credentials: Kim Moya  
District Administrator: Amanda Saguil  
**Call to Order 10:20 am**

There are 43 voting delegates in the House representing 15 clubs in good standing in the Florida District. 22 votes are needed for a simple majority and 29 votes are needed for two thirds majority.

Phoebe entertained a motions to approve the Standing Rules of the House of Delegates.

- Jennifer Lin, New College so moved
- Emily Roberts, Florida State University 2nd
- Discussion
- Motion carried

Linda Martin, University of Central Florida proposed a motion for uncontested voting at acclamation

- Phoebe Sartori, New College entertained the motion
- Jennifer Lin, New College of Florida 2nd
- Discussion
- Motion carried

### **Election of District Officers**

The chair opened the floor for additional nominations for District Governor.

Each candidate was given the opportunity to address the House.

*Diamond Pichardo , candidate for District Governor, addressed the House.*

*no other candidates*

The House of Delegates has elected Diamond Pichardo from University of Florida as the 2018-2019 Florida District Governor.

The chair opened the floor for additional nominations for District Secretary.

Each candidate was given the opportunity to address the House.

*Josephine Di Russo, candidate for District Secretary, addressed the House.  
Jennifer Moscovitch, candidate for District Secretary, addressed the House.  
Alex Perez, candidate for District Secretary, addressed the House.*

*no other candidates*

The House of Delegates has elected Josephine Di Russo from University of Central Florida as the 2018-2019 Florida District Secretary.

The chair opened the floor for additional nominations for District Treasurer.

Each candidate was given the opportunity to address the House.

*Derek Stewart, candidate for District Treasurer, addressed the House.*

*no other candidates*

The House of Delegates has elected Derek Stewart from Tallahassee Community College as the 2018-2019 Florida District Treasurer.

The chair opened the floor for additional nominations for District Editor.

Each candidate was given the opportunity to address the House.

*Valory Vailoces, candidate for District Editor, addressed the House.*

*no other candidates*

The House of Delegates has elected Valory Vailoces from University of Central Florida as the 2018-2019 Florida District Editor.

The chair opened the floor for additional nominations for any Lieutenant Governor.

Each candidate was given the opportunity to address the House.

*Matthew Grimmer, candidate for Citrus LTG, addressed the House.  
Maria Landron, candidate for Evergold LTG, addressed the House.  
Mariam McKee, candidate for Panhandle LTG, addressed the House.  
Miranda Brown, candidate for Suwannee LTG, addressed the House.*

*no other candidates*

Elections Chair Kimberly Moya reports that the following members were elected to serve on the 2018-2019 Florida District board:

District Governor: Diamond Pichardo, University of Florida

District Secretary: Josephine Di Russo, University of Central Florida

District Treasurer: Derek Stewart, Tallahassee Community College

District Editor: Valory Vailoces, University of Central Florida

Citrus Lieutenant Governor: Matthew Grimmer, University of Central Florida

Evergold Lieutenant Governor: Maria Landron, Palm Beach Atlantic

Panhandle Lieutenant Governor: Mariam McKee, Florida State University

Sunbelt Lieutenant Governor: Vacant

Suncoast Lieutenant Governor: Vacant

Suwannee Lieutenant Governor: Miranda Brown, University of North Florida

## **International Endorsement**

The chair opened the floor for additional nominations for International Endorsement.

Billy Hackett, University of Florida *was endorsed*

## **Convention Amendments**

Each amendment needs a 2/3rds majority vote to pass

What is being amended in each article:

### **Amendment 1**

Article VII, Section 9

“The Governor shall appoint the chairs of all district committees with the approval of the District Board of Officers. **The Appointment to chair any District Committee shall not be discriminated on the basis of race, gender, ethnicity, creed, or disability.**”

### **Amendment 2**

Addition to Article V: Officers

New Section: “Service on the District in any Club office officially recognized by the Florida District of Circle K International or their respective club shall not be a limited opportunity to interested members on the basis of race, gender, ethnicity, creed, or disability.”

### **Amendment 3**

Addition to Article V: Officers

New Section: “Conduct unbecoming for a district board member includes but is not limited to: harassment, bullying and inappropriate use of their position on the club level. “

### **Amendment 4**

Addition to Article V: Officers

New Section: “Anyone can report misconduct of a district board member to the Governor or District Administrator. There is no deadline to report misconduct of a board member.”

Derek Stewart, Tallahassee Community College proposed a motion to block amendments 1 through 3 together

- Derek revoked his statement

Derek Stewart, Tallahassee Community College proposed a motion to block amendments 1 and 2 together

- Austin Fisher, University of North Florida 2nd
- No Discussion
- Motion carried

Billy Hackett, University of Florida moved to amend the amendment to include sexuality in both Amendment 1 and 2

- Ashley Martinez, Stetson University 2nd
- No Discussion
- Motion carried

A motion was made to approve Amendment 1 and 2

- Alex Perez, Tallahassee Community College
- Diamond Pichardo, University of Florida 2nd
- No Discussion
- motion carried

A motion was made to approve Amendment 3

- Alex Perez, Tallahassee Community College
- Austin Fischer, University of North Florida 2nd
- Point of clarification, Josephine Di Russo, University of Central Florida
  - What inspired wording
- motion carried

A motion was made to approve Amendment 4

- Linda Martin, University of Central Florida
- Jennifer Lin, New College of Florida 2nd
- Discussion:
  - Pros:
    - Was too short of a time period before as people don't always know the bylaws
    - People might not be comfortable in that time frame
  - Con:
    - Big jump from five days, there should be a time constraint
    - Time limit, two months, after this time it makes it hard to investigate
- Derek Stewart moved to amend to shorten the deadline to 60 days
  - Pro:
    - Gives person ability to come back years later. Time limit is necessary
  - Con:
    - Should be longer, 60 days is not enough time.
    - It can take time to accept the situation and realize the rules.
  - Point of Clarification:
    - We are not talking about sexual assault. We are talking about district board bullying or abuse of power
- Derek Stewart called to vote
  - Cristian Tello, Florida Atlantic University 2nd
  - No discussion
  - Motion carried
  - Vote to amended amendment of 60 days
    - Motion fails
  - Back to original amendment:
- Tyler Fonzi, University of Florida moved to add non-criminal misconduct and 90 days deadline.
  - Alex Perez, Tallahassee Community College, 2nd
  - Point of Clarification:

- It takes courage to come forward with bullying. The time limit will cause people not to report this
- Harassment and bullying is illegal conduct
- Does bullying does not apply to this?
- Vote to approve amended amendment,
- motion carried
- Discussion of amended amendment
- Result: motion carried

## **Amendments as Approved by HOD**

### **Amendment #1 : Article VII Section 9: District Standing Committees**

“The Governor shall appoint the chairs of all district committees with the approval of the District Board of Officers. **The Appointment to chair any District Committee shall not be discriminated on the basis of race, gender, ethnicity, creed, disability, or sexuality.**”

### **Amendment #2 : Article V : Officers**

Addition to Article V: Officers

Section 13: **“Service on the District in any Club office officially recognized by the Florida District of Circle K International or their respective club shall not be a limited opportunity to interested members on the basis of race, gender, ethnicity, creed, disability, or sexuality.”**

### **Amendment #3 : Article V : Officers**

Addition to Article V: Officers

Section 14: **“Conduct unbecoming for a district board member includes but is not limited to: harassment, bullying and inappropriate use of their position on the club level. “**

### **Amendment #4 : Article V : Officers**

Addition to Article V: Officers

Section 15: **“Anyone can report non-criminal misconduct of a district board member to the Governor or District Administrator. There is a deadline of 90 days to report misconduct of a board member.”**

Governor Phoebe adjourns House of Delegate Session at 11:22