



# **CANDIDATE LITERATURE**

## *CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT*

Zachary Kahn  
Trudy-Ann Stirling

## *CANDIDATES FOR VICE PRESIDENT*

Katie Lynch  
Nancy Mi  
Hannah Riley

## *CANDIDATES FOR TRUSTEE*

Taylor DiCicco  
Kailey Lipginski  
Areej Memon  
Lily Myrick  
Dave Patel  
Priyanshu Saxena  
Amiya Williams

# *Procedure for running from the floor*

## Procedure for running from the floor

Per CKI bylaws, (Article 12, Section 4) any eligible CKI member can run from the floor at convention. Interested members must meet the eligibility requirements, bring the appropriate paperwork to convention to verify their information and be nominated from the floor at the opening session. Interested members should contact Samantha Wagner ([swagner@kiwanis.org](mailto:swagner@kiwanis.org)) for additional information.

## Eligibility Requirements (CKI Policy Code, Section G):

- Must have their name appear on the official CKI membership list;
- Must be in good standing with his/her home club;
- Must have a home club in good standing with CKI, their home district, and their university;
- Must have a home district in good standing with CKI;
- Must be enrolled at the university of his/her home club, have a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent) at the time of eligibility certification, and maintain a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.25 on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent). Any special considerations may be made by the CKI Director; and, (2/17)
- Must abide by their completed officer service agreement. (2/17)

Required paperwork to bring to the international convention if you plan to run from the floor (may be submitted to the international office prior to convention):

A copy of your current transcript (Spring 2023)

A copy of your fall 2023 schedule verifying that the candidate is enrolled in a college/university



# VOTE ZACHARY KAHN

FOR CKI INTERNATIONAL  
PRESIDENT

UNANIMOUSLY ENDORSED BY  
THE NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

“MY NAME IS **ZACHARY KAHN** AND I AM SEEKING ELECTION FOR THE POSITION OF **CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT**. DURING MY TIME SERVING AT DIFFERENT LEVELS OF THE ORGANIZATION, I HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO INTERACT WITH MEMBERS THAT HAVE **DIVERSE PERSPECTIVES** AND OPINIONS, WHICH HAS PROVIDED ME **INVALUABLE INSIGHTS** INTO WHAT WORKS AND WHAT DOESN'T. I AM RUNNING FOR **INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT** TO ENSURE THAT **PROPER SUPPORT** IS PROVIDED FOR ALL CLUBS, AND MEMBERS GET THE MOST OUT OF CKI. I WILL FOCUS ON RECEIVING INPUT FROM GENERAL MEMBERS AND MAKING NEEDED CHANGES TO ENSURE A **STRONG AND INCLUSIVE** FUTURE FOR OUR ORGANIZATION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.”



## EXPERIENCE

**'22-Present International Trustee**

*CKI International Board*

**'21-'22 Committee Member**

*CKI International Kiwanis Family Relations Committee*

**'20-'21 Committee Member**

*CKI International Membership Experience Committee*

**'21-'22 Governor**

*New England District of CKI*

**'20-'21 – Secretary-Treasurer**

*New England District of CKI*

**'19-Present General Member**

*Northeastern CKI*

## VISION

**OPEN AND TRANSPARENT COMMUNICATION FROM INTERNATIONAL**

**INCREASED ACCESS TO RESOURCES AND BENEFITS FOR MEMBERS**

**EXPANDED FELLOWSHIP BETWEEN DISTRICTS**

**MORE SUPPORT FOR DISTRICT-LED TRAININGS AND EVENTS**

**SUPPORT FOR ALL CLUBS, EXISTING AND CHARTERING**

**A MORE DIVERSE, EQUITABLE, AND INCLUSIVE ORGANIZATION**

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## Candidate Questionnaire

### Candidate Information

**Name:** Zachary Kahn

**District:** New England

**Candidate for:** International President

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#### **Question #1: What have you learned from your previous experiences that you plan to implement in this role?**

Having previously served as a District Governor and as an International Trustee, I have a unique perspective on how we can provide meaningful benefits to our members, and what we need to do differently as an organization. I have experience in navigating the needs of the members, and I am aware of the importance of open and transparent communication. In this role, I plan to implement these lessons by: setting ambitious yet achievable goals, ensuring members have the means to provide feedback to the International Board, and fostering a culture of collaboration and inclusivity. I plan to always be accessible and responsive to members' needs, and ensure that Circle K International is always working in the best interest of its members.

#### **Question #2: How do you plan to promote CKI's major service initiatives (food and housing insecurity, environmental justice, etc.) in this role?**

Communication and education are critical components of promoting these initiatives. To start, we should be demonstrating the impact and value of these initiatives to members. I will prioritize the development of clear, concise messaging and materials, highlighting the importance of addressing each of our major initiatives that can be shared with clubs and members. This will include leveraging social media and engaging district leadership to better reach our members. It is important to equip our clubs with the right tools and resources to tackle our initiatives. With clear guidelines, templates, and example projects readily available, we can empower members to focus on the major service initiatives, take a proactive approach towards achieving our goals, and make a positive impact in our communities.

#### **Question #3: What strategies would you use to grow CKI membership at the international level?**

To grow CKI membership at the international level, I will prioritize open communication with clubs, which includes listening to their concerns and feedback, and providing support and resources that align with their needs. I will also focus on increasing the visibility of CKI through engagement on social media, and increasing interactions with the Kiwanis Family. Additionally, diversity, equity, and inclusion should be at the forefront of our efforts, with a concentration on creating a welcoming and inclusive environment for all members. Finally, I will work to increase communication between districts to foster collaboration and sharing of successes and setbacks. Ultimately we should aim to develop stronger, more engaged clubs and members in order to increase membership at the international level.

#### **Question #4: Why do you feel like this is the best position for you?**

As a passionate advocate for CKI, I am thrilled to be running for the role of International President. Building on my previous experience as a member and leader within CKI, I am eager to take on the responsibility of guiding the organization towards achieving our goals on a global scale.

I am confident in my ability to effectively collaborate with members and district leaders to promote our mission of service, leadership, and fellowship. I am committed to prioritizing diversity, equity, and inclusion in all aspects of the organization, and will work to create a welcoming and empowering community for all members. Overall, I believe that my passion, experience, and skills make me the ideal candidate for International President.

#### **Question #5: If you could only accomplish one thing during your term, what would you accomplish and why?**

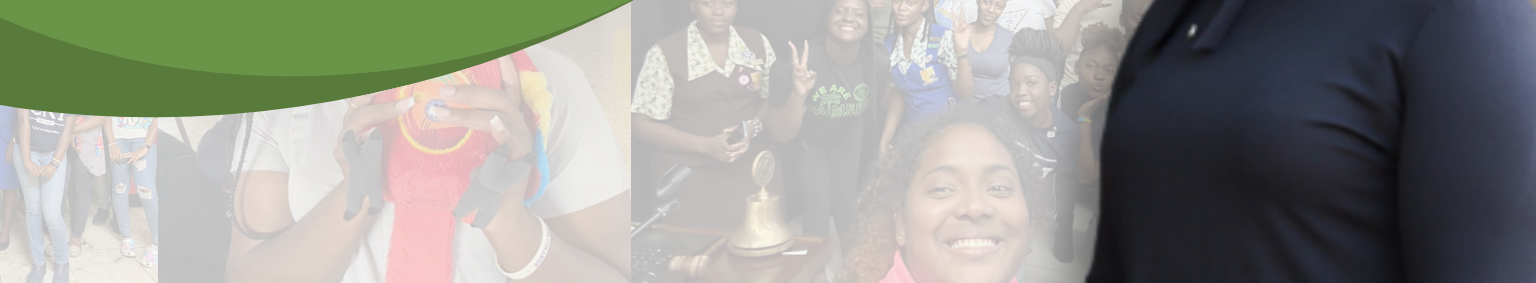
If I could only accomplish one thing during my term as International President of CKI, I would prioritize increasing communication and collaboration between districts. By fostering a stronger sense of community and fellowship across CKI as a whole, we can better work towards achieving our service and leadership goals.

This will include more regular meetings, updates, and information sharing between district leaders. This will also include an increase in efforts of the International Board to interact with District leadership, including 1:1 meetings between myself and all of the Governors. By promoting open and effective communication between Districts, and by fully engaging the International Board with the Districts, we can ensure that all members are able to experience the full scale of CKI.

# Trudy-Ann Stirling

International President Candidate

UNANIMOUSLY ENDORSED BY THE  
CARIBBEAN DISTRICT OF CKI AND THE  
UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES, MONA  
CAMPUS




Hello CKI!! It is my absolute honour to present myself before you once again for International Office. Having served on the board as an International Trustee, I have seen first hand, the amazing people we have as a part of our membership and I have also seen and experienced the hardship faced by said membership. The vision I had last year for the betterment of our organization remains the same, however, the way in which we get there might be slightly different. If you have questions regarding my vision, platform, experience or otherwise, please feel free to reach out to me! I am looking forward to communicating with you!

## ABOUT ME

- District: Caribbean
- School: University of the West Indies, Mona - Norman Manley Law School
- Positions: Club Vice President, Lieutenant Governor, International Trustee (current).
- Current Involvement: CKI Implementation Task force, Service and Marketing, ICON Committee and Caribbean District Governing Docs Chair

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## THE PLAN

**RE** DEFINE

**RE** INVENT

**RE** BUILD

**RE** VAMP



# DEFINE INVENT BUILD VAMP



## DEFINE

- The work of the CKI President.
- International Council Meetings: In addition to our regular I-Council meetings, I wish to host bi-annually CKI Heads Meetings with District Board and possibly Club Officers.
- Workshops: Hosting District Officer Training sessions to ensure Officers are given adequate resources to properly carry out their duties.
- Service: Encouraging more Advocacy and Awareness as forms of service as well as more lasting service initiatives



## INVENT

- Recognition: Holistic recognition on a broader scale. Highlighting Districts, Clubs, Officers and Club members who are excelling or progressing.
- Office Hours: Hosting monthly Office Hours with the I-Board to increase the visibility of the Board of Trustees.



## BUILD

- Kiwanis Family Ties: Strengthen the relationship between the branches of Kiwanis.
- Fellowship: Create a CKI Pen-Pal Programme, connecting members from various Districts and hosting events they can participate together in.



## VAMP

- Accountability: Establish easier ways to hold board members accountable.
- Student Leadership: Encouraging our leaders to step out side the predefined boxes.





## Candidate Questionnaire

### Candidate Information

**Name:** Trudy-Ann Stirling

**District:** Caribbean

**Candidate for:** International President

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#### **Question #1: What have you learned from your previous experiences that you plan to implement in this role?**

Serving during the last year as an International Trustee, has uniquely equipped me with knowledge that places me in a position that not only understands but also feels the health and mood of our organization. The single most important lesson that being an IT has taught me is that membership must always be at the center of one's work in this organization. Why has CKI membership significantly decreased? Why have so many clubs been lost? I've learnt that districts and clubs, need personalized care, carefully selected resources, thoughtful and insightful guidance and leaders that will listen, understand, empathize and assist, which I intent to do.

#### **Question #2: How do you plan to promote CKI's major service initiatives (food and housing insecurity, environmental justice, etc.) in this role?**

With the continuation of the Brick x Brick initiative, I hope to focus on different aspects of the project as we continue as the project touches, in some way, all our service initiatives. By placing our focus on different aspects would bring light on our other initiatives. I intent to encourage, with the assistance of my I-Board, means of active promotion and awareness of our service initiatives.

#### **Question #3: What strategies would you use to grow CKI membership at the international level?**

Having served as International Trustee this past year, I have realized that there is no one size fit all approach for membership growth. We must have an understanding of the specific Club or District to understand how we can assist in their membership growth. With the new dues structure, some clubs faces real challenges adapting, not because they do not understand the change but for reasons which may be specific to their schools. We must assist in their individual care to ensure we provide the assistance they need, and not necessarily the assistance we want to give. Also, I believe we need to place a greater focus on yearlong recruitment.

#### **Question #4: Why do you feel like this is the best position for you?**

Having served as Club Vice-President, Lieutenant Governor and now, International Trustee, I have gathered experience, knowledge and an even greater respect for the positions in our organization. With the new knowledge and understanding I have gotten while serving this past year, I believe I would bring a holistic approach to the office of International President. Also, having served on this year's CKI Taskforce and Board Executive, I feel like I am equipped to lead the organization while we make the changes required to ensure its continued success.

#### **Question #5: If you could only accomplish one thing during your term, what would you accomplish and why?**

Greater Integration and overall Unity in CKI. Being from the Caribbean District, the 'I' in CKI means a lot to me. Having worked on an International Board with officers from different countries, I have an even greater appreciation of how International our organization truly is. However, I don't believe we have incorporated the 'I' enough. I hope to encourage more interactions and communication with members outside the US and Canada so they understand and appreciate the 'I' in CKI.

## Candidate for International Vice President

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### Hello CKI Members!

My name is Katie Lynch, and I had the honor of serving as the New Jersey CKI District Governor this past year. My experiences on the club, district, and international levels of CKI have taught me that we rise by lifting others, and I hope to foster this mentality as International Vice President.

If elected, I will put members at the forefront of our strategic planning, and work diligently to make CKI a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive place. I encourage you to look over my vision for this next year, and consider voting for me to be your next Circle K International Vice President. I'll see you in Minneapolis!

Yours in Service, Leadership, and Fellowship,

*Katie Lynch*





## MY CKI EXPERIENCES

- 22-23 | New Jersey CKI District Governor
- 22-23 | International Alumni & Kiwanis Family Relations Committee Member
- 21-22 | New Jersey CKI District Editor
- 21-22 | New Jersey CKI District Kiwanis Family & Alumni Relations Committee Member
- 21-22 | New Jersey CKI District Membership Development & Education Committee Member
- 20-21 | New Jersey CKI District Service Committee Member

## EMPOWER COMMITTEES

- Leadership and professional development for committee chairs & members
  - **Committee Chair Training** following selection process
  - **Committee Member Orientation** in collaboration with Committee Chairs
- Meaningful work and strategic planning
  - Implement strategic plans so that **initiatives can continue year-to-year**
  - Encourage the development of projects that **support the CKI International Service Initiatives**
- Fostering **collaboration**
  - Collective International Chair meetings to **share ideas and strategies**

## STRENGTHEN DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION

- **Re-Implement the DEI Coalition** to gain perspective from different committees
- **Land Acknowledgements:** Working with District Leadership and teaching them how to craft a land acknowledgement for their district, as well as publishing a CKI land acknowledgement
- **DEI Strategic Planning**
  - Evaluate where we are, determine where we want to go, and develop plans for how we are going to get there
  - Tangible plans of action for clubs and districts
- **International Inclusion & Belonging:** Collaborating with Global Development Committee

## ENGAGE SECRETARIES, TREASURERS, & EDITORS

- Serving as **international support for District Editors**
  - Incorporate editors into the committees through branding opportunities
  - How can they help us **build the CKI brand?**
- Develop **MUC Access Guides** for District Secretaries & Treasurers
- Meeting at least once per semester to **identify and track strengths, weaknesses, and goals**
- Monthly **Secretary and Treasurer Forums**

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## Candidate Questionnaire

### Candidate Information

**Name:** Katie Lynch

**District:** New Jersey

**Candidate for:** International Vice President

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#### **Question #1: What have you learned from your previous experiences that you plan to implement in this role?**

Each year in my CKI journey has allowed me to gain skills and experiences that will serve me well as International Vice President. As Governor, I learned how to effectively lead and structure committees, gain and maintain the trust of a board, and plan strategically for the future of our organization. I learned to effectively communicate with Kiwanis, manage conflict, and gained knowledge of secretary/treasurer responsibilities and what it takes to be successful in those positions. As an International Committee Member, I understand how to help committees accomplish their directives, and how to effectively work together for the common good of our organization. I plan to meet with board members and committee chairs to craft a shared vision to accomplish their goals.

#### **Question #2: How do you plan to promote CKI's major service initiatives (food and housing insecurity, environmental justice, etc.) in this role?**

In this role, I want to spearhead an initiative to reward and highlight clubs that have a signature project in line with CKI's major service initiatives. By incentivizing and rewarding clubs for the incredible work they accomplish, it will help them realize that they are part of something vastly bigger than themselves, and have an immense role to play in our international organization. I also plan to facilitate the implementation of a Brick x Brick Ambassador to UNICEF in order to maintain a singular point of contact and information on the international level. This ambassador would not only promote Brick x Brick as it relates to the service initiatives, but will also break down the barrier between clubs and international.

#### **Question #3: What strategies would you use to grow CKI membership at the international level?**

Service is the backbone of everything that we do, but we can expand by focusing on the professional and leadership development aspects of CKI membership. This could include the development of workshops for clubs by the Membership Experience Committee about resumes and how to incorporate CKI during job interviews, or working with the Alumni & Kiwanis Family Relations Committee to solidify an alumni mentorship program. I believe that fostering a connection between international committees and clubs is vital in terms of CKI membership growth at the international level, as it provides a deeper connection to the organization as a whole. Ultimately, members will join and stay if they feel valued and feel like they belong – this is what we need to focus on as an organization.

#### **Question #4: Why do you feel like this is the best position for you?**

As IVP, I will have the opportunity to do what I love on an international level: building relationships – with board members, with committee chairs, and with secretaries, treasurers, and editors, empowering the next generation of student-leaders, and passionately advocating for diversity, equity, and inclusion. As I reflected on my CKI experiences, it became clear to me that I could see myself as IVP because of my desire to give back to the organization that has given me absolutely everything. So much of me is made of what I learned from CKI. Ultimately, I have passion, goals, and a vision for the future on where I want to see our organization go, and I have the experience and drive to accomplish them.

#### **Question #5: If you could only accomplish one thing during your term, what would you accomplish and why?**

I strongly believe that diversity, equity, and inclusion should be consistently at the forefront of our priorities as an international organization. Therefore, I would focus on creating a strategy for DEI implementation on the club and district levels, and I possess the facilitation and social justice education skills needed to accomplish this goal. The questions that the board will be tasked with addressing require complex, multifaceted solutions – what tangible actions can we take to make CKI more inclusive? How does DEI tie into membership retention? Membership experience? I don't want to stray away from these questions because they are difficult to answer. The international board has an incredible breadth of knowledge, and no one knows everything, but together we know a lot.



# NANCY MI

For International Vice President



## ABOUT ME

Home District: Illinois-Eastern Iowa

Home Club: University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Years in the Kiwanis Family: 8 years

Major: Political Science

Minors: Legal Studies and Psychology

## LEADERSHIP

2022-2023

- Illinois-Eastern Iowa District Governor
- Global Development Committee Vice Chair

2021-2022

- Illinois-Eastern Iowa District Secretary
- Global Development Committee Chair

2020-2021

- Illinois-Eastern Iowa District Convention Chair
- Global Development Committee Asia-Pacific Ambassador

## RECOGNITIONS

2021-2022

- Distinguished District Secretary
- Distinguished International Chair
- I-I Outstanding District Board Member

2020-2021

- I-I Outstanding District Chair

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Unanimously Endorsed by the Illinois-Eastern Iowa District

# GOALS

## SECRETARY AND TREASURERS

- Host group secretary and treasurer training sessions and 1-on-1s for individual help
- Provide updated guides for secretaries and treasurers to use and distribute to club officers
- Create opportunities to connect officers in different districts through Zoom calls and Group Me
- Host bi-weekly office hours for officers to ask questions and voice concerns
- Create a monthly email newsletter to help pass along information
- Create a drive folder to compile resources in one easy to access place

## INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEES

- Create committee guides with directives for each committee along with officer guides and committee and chair specific trainings
- Host committee wide socials to encourage fellowship
- Sit on committee calls when needed, review minutes, and ask for trustee reports to assist with committees
- Provide a streamlined resource for committees to report their work
- Assist in helping trustees find an active role in each committee
- Create committee workshops for members and a request form for committee assistance for districts and clubs

## DISTRICTS

- Help create governor socials and sister district socials to increase fellowship
- Make agenda templates each month and a check-in system to ensure that trustees cover important topics with their governors
- Update the governors drive so districts have the resources they need
- Increase awareness of international projects like Brick x Brick by hosting international fundraisers and campaigns including informational sessions
- Increase awareness of leadership opportunities, the Alumni network, and other opportunities and resources unique to CKI
- Create international programs like professionalism workshops for members

## Candidate Questionnaire

### Candidate Information

**Name:** Nancy Mi

**District:** Illinois-Eastern Iowa

**Candidate for:** International Vice President

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#### **Question #1: What have you learned from your previous experiences that you plan to implement in this role?**

My previous experiences have shown me that my role is to help those I serve. This is something that I plan on implementing in this role. I want to ensure that I am available to everyone who needs me and that they feel comfortable approaching me with any questions. Like many other CKI leadership positions, the role of a Vice President is to be there for the officers and members and to support them. I want to ensure that I listen to what they want and adjust accordingly. I will be flexible in my goals and the work I do so I can find ways to best support them. I also hope to be a voice for them on the international level.

#### **Question #2: How do you plan to promote CKI's major service initiatives (food and housing insecurity, environmental justice, etc.) in this role?**

I want to start by making districts and members more aware of these service initiatives by creating a service month or multiple service months where each week or month is dedicated to one of the service initiatives. During each service initiative spotlight, I want to work with our Service and Marketing Committee to help create posts on our social media that explain each initiative and list out service project ideas under them. I also want to provide links to our service initiatives page and ensure that the resources on it are updated. I also hope to spotlight different service projects members are doing at the time to celebrate their amazing work and to give service project ideas to others.

#### **Question #3: What strategies would you use to grow CKI membership at the international level?**

By creating a better member experience, we can hopefully retain our current members and recruit new ones who are excited to have a similar experience. To do so, I want to increase member benefits and fellowship. Our members have access to lots of great benefits. I want to ensure everyone knows about them by showcasing them on social media and pushing out resources to the districts. I also believe that we can offer more to our members. I want to help district governors create district-specific benefits such as mentorship programs or scholarships. On the international level, I hope to implement things like professionalism workshops, virtual service days, and international-wide socials. I also want to post a survey asking what our members want to see.

#### **Question #4: Why do you feel like this is the best position for you?**

My past leadership experiences align closely with the work a Vice President does. As a past District Governor, my knowledge will allow me to better communicate with and support District Governors and their boards. This perspective has allowed me to see what each position does, giving me insight into how to help each specific position. As a past District Secretary, I have gained knowledge of the position and have seen how much of an impact a Vice President can make. I want to be that same positive impact on others. Having served on an international committee for three years and being a past committee chair, I have seen the inner workings of the committees and this knowledge will allow me to better support them.

#### **Question #5: If you could only accomplish one thing during your term, what would you accomplish and why?**

My one thing would be to increase training for our officers. Effective training and resources are one of the most important factors to having a good term. Knowing what you are doing and feeling comfortable in your position are key to being productive. Being confused might lead to burnout and more questions. This might drive people away from running for other leadership positions in the future as well. Thus, we have to ensure that we are training our officers to be the best they can be. Increased knowledge will help them be prepared to serve their districts and committees. I know that our members have so much to offer as leaders and effective training will help them get there.

# HANNAH RILEY

FOR  
INTERNATIONAL VICE-PRESIDENT



CONTACT ME WITH ANY  
QUESTIONS

## About Me

**Home Club:**  
Capital University

**Home District:**  
Ohio District

**Endorsed By:**  
Endorsed by Capital  
University Circle K and the  
Ohio District

**Awards Received:**  
Governor Support Award  
2021-2022  
Distinguished District  
Secretary-Treasurer  
2021-2022

## Experience

**District Involvement:**  
2021-2022 District  
Secretary-Treasurer  
2022 District SPOT Chair  
2022-2023 District  
Fall Rally Chair

**International Involvement:**  
2022-2023  
International Trustee  
2022-2023  
Executive Committee  
2022-2023  
GD&F Committee Vice Chair  
2022-2023  
Convention Task Force



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# Hello CKI!

My name is Hannah Riley and I am currently serving as International Trustee for the Alabama, Caribbean and the Southwest Districts. In addition, I am serving on the Executive Committee, Governing Docs and Finance Committee Vice Chair and Convention Task force. I am a rising senior at Capital University studying Nursing. This year as trustee, I worked to build communication and fellowship between my districts and International by sending out monthly newsletters to all club and district officers and hosting monthly district events. Promoting fellowship and also the importance of communication was something that I focused heavily on this year as I supported my districts in whatever they needed. Check out my plans for the next year and consider endorsing me, for me to be your next Circle K International Vice-President!

*Hannah Riley*

Hannah Riley, 2022-2023  
International Trustee



## Communication

- Monthly Secretary and Treasurer forums.
- Bi-Weekly Secretary and Treasurer check in emails.
- Weekly Office Hours.
- Monthly Secretary and Treasurer Newsletters.
- Club officer GroupMe's to facilitate conversations and communication between internationals and the districts.
- Dues and MUC recourse videos.
- International Committee highlights and increased training.

## My Plans

### Leadership

- Club and district training videos made by international.
- Professional workshops to help building resumes, job interviews and education on different professional tasks.
- Work with trustees and Governors to make district wide recourses that will benefit for years to come.
- Work on membership growth by working with the governors to make district wide recruitment plans.

## Sustaining Success

- Continue to Build and expand the Alumni Network to build the Kiwanis experience.
- Work with Trustees, Governors, Secretaries and Treasurers to expand Brick x Brick fundraising efforts.
- Service project recourses in Governors drive that includes different service projects and their success.
- Work with districts on making sure all districts have financial recourses and plans.

## Candidate Questionnaire

### Candidate Information

**Name:** Hannah Riley

**District:** Ohio

**Candidate for:** International Vice President

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#### **Question #1: What have you learned from your previous experiences that you plan to implement in this role?**

In my past experiences, I have learned that being open and honest about your goals and ideas and having open communication can help you to achieve what you set out to do. As trustee, I set out multiple goals for myself and my districts and most of those were able to be achieved by having constant communication with my district's boards and district governors. I learned that forming close connections with my Governors led to more goals being achieved because we were able to establish a close working relationship and get multiple things accomplished in short periods of time. I plan to have constant and close communication with the secretary, treasurer, and international committee chairs to make this year successful.

#### **Question #2: How do you plan to promote CKI's major service initiatives (food and housing insecurity, environmental justice, etc.) in this role?**

I plan to promote Circle K's service initiatives by holding education sessions talking about our variety of different service initiatives. In this educational session, I will also include different recourses on a variety of different fundraisers and service project ideas that have been done in the past and are recommended to try for each service initiative. Since people cannot always attend educational sessions, I also plan on making recourses that break down each service initiative, which includes information and details that most people in circle k international might not know.

#### **Question #3: What strategies would you use to grow CKI membership at the international level?**

Some strategies that I would use to help grow Circle K membership is by sitting down with each governor and district board if they would want to attend and make district-wide recruitment plans. Those plans, will include district-wide goals and ideas, but also break down each club and review their current membership and past membership. After reviewing all that information then a recruitment plan/ideas will be made for each club to help them get ideas on what to do and hopefully achieve more and recruit more people.

#### **Question #4: Why do you feel like this is the best position for you?**

I feel like this is the best position for me because of my experience as a past District Secretary-Treasurer and International trustee experience. As the Ohio district secretary-treasurer, I was able to see the personal struggles of my district's clubs with how to navigate the MUC and find ways to cover dues costs. I was able to help my clubs to grow by making recourses and having open communication for all questions and concerns. As being international trustee, I was able to see each of my sistrict districts struggle and help them work through those issues. That will then help me to work on improvements and changes this year that will benefit all districts and clubs.

#### **Question #5: If you could only accomplish one thing during your term, what would you accomplish and why?**

This year if I can only achieve one thing it would be to make sure that all districts improve or achieve at least one goal that they set out this year. Whether it is growing membership, to increasing district event attendance it is very important to me that each district can have a successful year and improve. I feel like the only way for us to continue to grow and thrive as an organization is to continue to work on small goals that then, overall achieve the big goal of growing membership and the overall Circle K international experience.

# TAYLOR DICICCO

## FOR CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL TRUSTEE

UNANIMOUSLY ENDORSED BY THE ALABAMA DISTRICT OF CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL



### ABOUT ME

I am a rising first-year graduate student from Alabaster, Alabama, pursuing a Master of Business Administration at the University of Alabama. As an undergraduate student, I majored in Political Science and Finance. I joined Circle K International as a freshman and have enjoyed making friendships with such an amazing group of people who love to serve. Serving my community to make a better world for future generations has been a passion of mine since serving my community while in JROTC. I hope to expand fundraising, networking, and membership in my districts by working closely with district and club leadership.

### EXPERIENCE

Lt. Gov. - Alabama District, 2022-2023  
UA Chapter President, 2021-2022  
UA Fundraising Chair, Spring 2021  
UA New Member Board Member, Fall 2020  
Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry Volunteer Coordinator, 2020-Present  
Alabama JROTC State President, 2018-2019

### HONORS

Outstanding District Lt. Gov., 2022-2023  
Outstanding Club President, 2021-2022  
Outstanding Other Administrator, 2021

### EDUCATION

Master of Business Administration, 2025  
Bachelor of Science in C&BA, Spring 2023  
The University of Alabama

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# ★ READY TO SERVE ★

## FUNDRAISING: DUES & BRICK x BRICK

Clubs continue to struggle with not only understanding the new dues system but also affording it. To ensure dues are paid on time in my districts and to raise funds for Brick x Brick, I plan to:

- Facilitate a fundraising competition between Sistricts, which will serve to fundraise for both dues and Brick x Brick, but the majority of the funds will be allotted to dues.
- Host a meeting with Governors to discuss fundraising ideas.
- Break down the competition by having districts host their own competitions among their schools.



## NETWORKING & COMMUNICATION

Communication is about more than keeping in touch—it's about networking with other members to inherently communicate the values of Circle K International and its initiatives. I plan to:

- Create a Discord channel for District Governors & additional channels for each district board.
- Send monthly Sistrict email newsletters.
- Conduct monthly one-on-one meetings with District Governors.
- Host 2 District Councils (one per semester) which will allow district boards to discuss needs from International and share successes.
- Host *Service on Zoom!* events (one per semester) in which members from different districts can network while serving virtually.

## MEMBERSHIP

To assist my districts with increasing and retaining membership, I plan to:

- Assist districts with the chartering process and support districts with newly chartered clubs.
- Host a minimum of two recruitment & retention workshops over the summer.
- Share the workshop with attendees and include it in the monthly newsletter.
- Create a running document for District Governors to add membership growth ideas and plans to.





## Candidate Questionnaire

### Candidate Information

**Name:** Taylor DiCicco

**District:** Alabama

**Candidate for:** International Trustee

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#### **Question #1: What have you learned from your previous experiences that you plan to implement in this role?**

I have held numerous positions while in CKI, but the positions that prepare me most for this office are Club President and District Lieutenant Governor. While Club President, I was exposed to an array of experiences that have prepared me to work well under pressure and with quick turnaround time. Being Club President required me to excel in taking diverse ideas into consideration, working one-on-one with board members, and resolving conflict. As District Lieutenant Governor, I expanded upon my current skills and learned the importance of reaching out to not only my clubs but also to individual members in order to be the most effective in my efforts, whether that concerned increasing attendance at conventions or increasing participation in CKI Week.

#### **Question #2: How do you plan to promote CKI's major service initiatives (food and housing insecurity, environmental justice, etc.) in this role?**

I plan to discuss ways to commit and contribute to CKI's major service initiatives during my District Councils each semester. During these councils, I will provide district boards with service and fundraising ideas to contribute to these service initiatives. For example, I plan to discuss how I have served as the volunteer coordinator for a local food pantry for the last three years and how my home club has been able to volunteer in an environment facing food insecurity and poverty. Additionally, I plan to create a running document as a space for district boards to add their service ideas that contribute to CKI's service initiatives. I will also conduct research on my districts to locate potential community partners that work on these issues.

#### **Question #3: What strategies would you use to grow CKI membership at the international level?**

To grow membership at the international level, I plan to host a minimum of two interactive recruitment and retention workshops over the summer. I hosted these workshops last summer and at Alabama's District Convention as a Lieutenant Governor of the Alabama District with decent turnout and excellent participation. This workshop can be found on the Alabama District's website, and I believe having this workshop on International's website would benefit club boards looking to train their clubs.

My second strategy is to assist districts in the club chartering process with my experience with two new club charters. The majority of newly chartered clubs fold within the first five years, and I plan to assist my districts with their newly chartered clubs in order to prevent this.

#### **Question #4: Why do you feel like this is the best position for you?**

I have served at both club and district levels and believe it is time to bring my ideas and work ethic to the international stage. I want to continue giving back to Circle K International by leading districts and their members to success. I believe that being a District Lieutenant Governor and overseeing clubs has prepared me to be an International Trustee and oversee districts. Serving at the international level will allow me to expand my current skillset and experiences to better serve not only members but also the people in my community at home. I have also witnessed some activities of a Trustee, and I believe that I would excel at these responsibilities and in this role.

#### **Question #5: If you could only accomplish one thing during your term, what would you accomplish and why?**

If I could only accomplish one thing, I would increase overall membership in my districts by at least 10%. I have a goal for my districts to pay dues timely, among other goals, but membership growth is what I would like to accomplish if I could only accomplish one thing. It is no secret that membership has fallen substantially over the last few years, and it is one of my top priorities to use my knowledge, resources, and experiences to grow membership at the international stage. It becomes more difficult for an organization to give back to a community when it has less people willing to serve. Strong membership is vital to this organization's success, and I plan to work hard to accomplish this goal.



# KAILEY LIPGINSKI FOR TRUSTEE

ENDORSED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA CIRCLE K CLUB



My name is Kailey Lipginski, and I am a current Sophomore at the University of Alabama majoring in English and History with a minor in the Blount Scholars Program on a pre-law track. I am originally from Wiggins, Mississippi where I joined the K-Family almost 6 years ago with Stone High Key Club. I am looking forward to starting year 7 in the K-family and my third year in Circle-K this fall.

## K-FAMILY EXPERIENCE

- 2018-2019- Stone High Key Club Secretary (Outstanding Club Secretary for the LaMissTenn District)
- 2019-2020- LaMissTenn Key Club District Bulletin Editor
- 2021-2022- Alabama District CKI Conference and Convention Committee Chair
- 2022- Alabama District Secretary Treasurer (April-October)
- 2022-2023- Alabama District Governor (October-April)



## GOALS

### EDUCATE MEMBERS

- Create materials to educate members about CKI, the resources available to them as a member, and a variety of other topics
- Hold office hour zoom calls anyone can join to ask questions about anything CKI

### ESTABLISH SISTRICK RELATIONSHIPS

- Hold Sistrick wide service competitions using Free Rice and Litterati
- Vary the time of monthly Sistrick events to allow more people to attend

### ENABLE SUCCESS

- Provide International bylaws in multiple languages to be inclusive to those who do not speak English or did not learn English as a first language
- Encourage clubs and district to apply for the tomorrow fund
- Encourage mentorship interactions with Kiwanians



At Alabama DCON, we collected plastic bags to make sleeping mats for the homeless. Each person there was taught how to create a mat, and all incoming LTGs were sent home with bags to distribute to their clubs. The goal is for clubs to work on the project throughout the year and bring them to our fall event ALA.



During my term as Governor the people in this picture were what made Alabama CKI possible. I believe that it is important to recognize and thank those who make your success and the accomplishment of your goals possible. That is why I never miss a chance to tell these people how amazing they are and how much I appreciate them.



I believe that being involved on the club level is just as important if not more important than involvement on the district and international levels. Members are the base of this organization. This is why I do my best to be a great member of my home club. That includes going to Walmart to shop for materials for a hygiene drive for the homeless even after a long day of classes.

Dear CKI,

I would like to start by saying thank you. CKI is one of the few organizations in which you get out more than you put in. This is something that I have experienced and am eternally grateful for. This organization has taught me to be a better leader and a better person. I know that I will never be able to pay this organization back for all that it has provided me, but I also know that dedicating myself to this organization and its improvement is a start. This is why I want to be one of the next International Trustees. I feel a duty to use the skills and experiences CKI has provided me to give back to the organization, and I feel that I have gained enough experience to be able to perform the duties of Trustee and accomplish the goals I have set in my literature.

My goals if elected will be to educate members about what being a part of CKI means, establish relationships amongst the districts I am assigned to, and to enable the success of the members I would be serving. By working towards these goals, I believe membership will increase as a result. These goals are designed to make members enjoy CKI more, and happy members are the best recruitment tool possible.

I hope that you consider voting for me as one of your next International Trustees, and I hope to see you in Minneapolis this summer!

Yours in Service,

Kailey Lipginski

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## Candidate Questionnaire

### Candidate Information

**Name:** Kailey Lipginski

**District:** Alabama

**Candidate for:** International Trustee

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#### **Question #1: What have you learned from your previous experiences that you plan to implement in this role?**

In both my role as District Governor and my role as District Secretary Treasurer, I learned that many members are not aware of the International scale of CKI or the resources available to them as a member. I would create graphics and videos promoting those resources to be used by International, Districts, and Clubs. I would also use Discord instead of Groupme for Sistrict communications because during my time on the board, many people complained about not receiving Groupme notifications. This is a switch that has been mostly made by the Alabama District.

#### **Question #2: How do you plan to promote CKI's major service initiatives (food and housing insecurity, environmental justice, etc.) in this role?**

I plan to promote the food and housing insecurity initiative as well as the environmental justice initiative by holding Sistrict wide service competitions using freerice.com and the app Litterati. This would allow for interaction between members within the Sistrict outside of just zoom events while supporting CKI's major service initiatives.

#### **Question #3: What strategies would you use to grow CKI membership at the international level?**

I would create graphics promoting the benefits of joining CKI for International, District, and Club uses. Additionally, I would hold a discussion meeting with the members of my sistrict to brainstorm different recruitment and retention ideas and practices. One of the amazing things about this organization is that we can learn from each other. Holding brainstorm meetings like this is a great way to do so.

#### **Question #4: Why do you feel like this is the best position for you?**

This past year on the Alabama District Board, we encountered a variety of obstacles. We had to handle removing a fellow board member, multiple resignations, lengthy vacancies on the board, club struggles with the new dues structure, and many other issues that arose throughout the year. My experience navigating these issues will make me an asset to the governors I will serve.

#### **Question #5: If you could only accomplish one thing during your term, what would you accomplish and why?**

If I could only accomplish one thing during my potential term as International Trustee, I would want to establish strong connections between my assigned districts. Speaking from my own experiences, there is not much interaction between districts outside of Governors communicating. I believe that increasing the amount of interaction between members and club officers across districts will increase the perception of CKI as not just something you do in your school or your district but as an International organization that connects you to people around the world not just in name but in practice.





# Areej Memon



Hello, hello my Circle K Fam! My name is Areej Memon and I am a rising Junior at Emory University majoring in Political Science and Finance! I have been honored to be a part of this wonderful K-Family for the past seven years (although I am slightly biased towards CKI) and have loved serving this organization in every way, shape, and form. This organization has taught me so much about myself and has allowed me to grow my passion for service, my abilities as a leader, and has given me friendships that I will always value.

Currently I am seeking a position on our 2023-2024 International Board as a Trustee. I feel as though my unique plans, passion, and HYPE for this organization will be of service to the larger CKI community. Please be free to reach out to me anytime with any questions, comments, or if you just want to say hi! :)

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## EXPERIENCE

2022-2023

★ **Georgia District Governor**  
**International Governing Documents Committee Member**

2021 - 2022

★ **Oxford College Bulletin Editor**  
**Volunteer Oxford Junior Project Coordinator**

2019 - 2021

★ **Key Club Senior Class Director**  
**Key Club Editor**

2017 - 2019

★ **Key Club MDA Chair**  
**Builders Club Sargent At Arms**

LET'S...

# HYPE UP!!

Through this past year serving as my District's Governor, I have seen first-hand what problems many districts are facing across the organization. The issue that I believe is the most prevalent and the one I can help with the most is engagement and district officer health, as I believe that a good engagement strategy and strong leadership is the key to retention, recruitment, and the health of our districts. As such, I introduce HYPE: Healthy Year, Persistent Engagement.

**Healthy Year:** A big part of my experience as a District leader was, whether we like to admit it or not, stress. I plan to make it a priority within my trustee duties to ensure that my District Governors and Surrounding Officers do not feel stressed or overwhelmed throughout the course of their terms! Here are some initiatives I'd implement:

- With Check -ins, make sure to help the Governor set at least a day a week aside for personal time WITHOUT thinking of CKI duties to lessen the load.
- Have weekly mental health office hours when any District Board member of any District under my jurisdiction will have access to chat with me about anything!
- Help with time management and goal setting with the district leaders to help keep organized.

**Persistent Engagement:** As stated, having a strong engagement strategy is essential to the success of CKI. However, most new members do not truly see the value and the enjoyment that they can receive from CKI unless they go to a larger scale District or International event like ICON, DCON, Fall Rallies, and DDOS. Here's where the issue lies: as college students, many prospective members are pushed away from going to these large-scale events due to weekend long commitments and price registration being unappealing. So, as a trustee, I plan to introduce a persistent engagement strategy with little to no cost and less time commitment on the individual member! Here are some initiatives I'd implement:

- Personalized welcome letters to each member from me welcoming them to the organization and showcasing our great qualities.
- Sistrict and District wide socials and sleepovers to allow for a low time commitment and low cost introduction to CKI outside of District Wide events.
- Sending out personalized video messages to clubs within my districts to be played in their introductory meetings.
- Holding workshops about putting spirit into CKI recruiting!

## AWARDS

- 2023 Recipient of the Katie Hunley Willis Service Award
- Georgia Kiwanis Outstanding Leader Medallion Recipient
- Distinguished Key Club Editor Award (2020)

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## Candidate Questionnaire

### Candidate Information

**Name:** Areej Memon

**District:** Georgia

**Candidate for:** International Trustee

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#### **Question #1: What have you learned from your previous experiences that you plan to implement in this role?**

As a previous District Governor for the Georgia District and as a current International Committee Member, I am equipped to help district boards and members to fully attain success in the upcoming service year. My experience puts me in a unique position to advise my Districts and help them with technical aspects of their roles, including event planning, recruitment strategies, scheduling, and leadership tactics. However, my previous experiences have also taught me that these technical aspects are of no value if we do not keep in mind the “why” behind it all: service, fellowship, leadership, and FUN. Fostering a sense of belonging and enjoyment within CKI will help tremendously with many goals like recruitment, retainment, mental health, and will inspire passion within members.

#### **Question #2: How do you plan to promote CKI’s major service initiatives (food and housing insecurity, environmental justice, etc.) in this role?**

Promoting CKI’s service initiatives are of upmost priority to me, and I plan on promoting these initiatives through fostering passion within our members. Within my one-on-ones, District and District socials, newsletters, and even club introductory videos highlighted in my literature, I will be sure to spread ideas to foster these initiatives within society and within our individual clubs. I believe when creating a solid connection with Districts, clubs, and individual members, it will be easier to inspire involvement, brainstorm ideas, and create meaningful service projects that fulfill major goals: eliminating food insecurity and homelessness, protecting environmental justice, supporting mental health, ensuring safe and healthy children, and providing support to BrickxBrick.

#### **Question #3: What strategies would you use to grow CKI membership at the international level?**

Having a strong engagement strategy is essential to the success of CKI and towards building membership. However, most new members do not see the value they can receive from CKI unless they go to larger scale District or International events. However, as college students, many members are pushed away from going to events due to weekend commitments and high price registration. I plan to introduce a persistent engagement strategy with no cost and less time commitment on the individual member, including personalized letters to each member from me welcoming them to the organization, international level socials for an alternative introduction to CKI outside of larger events, delivering personalized videos to clubs within districts to be played in their introductory meetings, and holding workshops on recruitment.

#### **Question #4: Why do you feel like this is the best position for you?**

This position is the best fit for me because of my experience, passion, and dedication. I have had the luxury to meet so many people, help so many communities, and truly make an impact on the world, and it is all thanks to this CKI. Although CKI has given me a lot, I have also given much back to it. I’ve spent countless hours in meetings, sacrificing sleep for service, going the extra mile to recruit club members, and it has been incredibly difficult, yet incredibly rewarding. I have worked hard and enjoyed myself within this organization, but I still have so much passion and so much more to give. So, I want to further use these experiences to help CKI as a Trustee.

#### **Question #5: If you could only accomplish one thing during your term, what would you accomplish and why?**

I have a lot of passion for this organization, and I have put my heart and soul into it at times simply because I love it. But, many members have not been able to have the same experiences that I have had because of lack of knowledge, resources, or excitement. So, if I could accomplish one thing in my term, it would be to HYPE up CKI, or push for strong engagement for individual members so that they can see why this organization truly changes the world and why so many individuals care about it. I want to foster the passion I feel for CKI within new members, and if this was the only thing I can accomplish as a Trustee, it would be worthwhile.



# LILY'23 MYRICK



FOR TRUSTEE

- Undergraduate at The George Washington University studying political science and public policy
- Served campuses and communities in greater Washington, D.C. on the Capital District Board of Trustees

## Priorities

- Building diverse and inclusive organization membership
- Leading the development of local partnerships with NGOs and service-oriented community stakeholders
- Developing internationally-minded leaders through equitable access to leadership roles
- Building fellowship and friendship across districts

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## Candidate Questionnaire

### Candidate Information

**Name:** Lily Myrick

**District:** Capital

**Candidate for:** International Trustee

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#### **Question #1: What have you learned from your previous experiences that you plan to implement in this role?**

The biggest takeaway from my tenure this past year as Lieutenant Governor is that future success of Circle K hinges on our ability to distinguish ourselves on campus. I often refer to this as clarifying our "why." There is truly nothing like the leadership and fellowship in the K-Fam, and my time representing some of the largest universities in the nation's capital has taught me that it's critical to make sure that we lead with a clear and unified vision about what makes the Kiwanis Family different from organizations that are doing similar work at the college and university level. Working at the international level in partnership with districts across the world, this will be a priority of mine as International Trustee.

#### **Question #2: How do you plan to promote CKI's major service initiatives (food and housing insecurity, environmental justice, etc.) in this role?**

As my platform suggests, I think it is important to partner local and build national to maximize our service impact. By building a framework for sustained local partnerships with community stakeholders, we can recenter ourselves around Circle K's major service initiatives. The four major service initiatives provide the key to creating a tangible impact in our communities: serving local, loving our neighbors, and investing in one another.

#### **Question #3: What strategies would you use to grow CKI membership at the international level?**

Developing a membership body that is as diverse and inclusive as our campuses is critical to organization-wide success. By strategically organizing and reinvesting in community colleges and historically black colleges and universities across the world, which generally have seen decreasing membership numbers during the coronavirus pandemic, we can ensure that everyone is given equitable access to unique service opportunities and leadership roles. And it is critical that investment of time and resources is both sustained and renewed, which is key to not just attracting but retaining a strong membership in districts across the world.

#### **Question #4: Why do you feel like this is the best position for you?**

When evaluating my options for continuing to serve the Kiwanis Family as a student leader, International Trustee was the clear choice. In 1996, my mom served as the president of her high school's Key Club, and we've been a Kiwanis family ever since. I believe it's our duty to represent not only today's young people but the next generation of student, servant leaders. Kids need Kiwanis. Serving at the international level will allow me to renew that commitment to both public and community service, and extend the vision of Kiwanis to chapters across the country.

#### **Question #5: If you could only accomplish one thing during your term, what would you accomplish and why?**

While I would hate to limit myself to only one accomplishment, because I believe so much is possible this upcoming year - if I could only do one thing, I would establish a robust alumni network. This was one of the priorities for the International Alumni and Kiwanis Family Relations Committee this past service year, and we made significant progress towards accomplishing it. Creating a framework for a CKI alumni network is critical to clarifying our "why" on campus, and would help build investment in our youngest generations and the organization as a whole for years to come.

# DAVE PATEL

for  
International  
Trustee



## ABOUT ME

- **School:** 3rd year undergrad student, University of Connecticut
- **Studies:** Nutrition Major and ASL Minor
- **Hometown:** Kenosha, WI
- **Fave CKI Tenet:** Fellowship
- **Fave Service Project:** Meal Packing with End Hunger

## K-FAM LEADERSHIP & RECOGNITIONS

2022-23

- District Editor, New England CKI
- Chair, Intl CKI Service and Marketing Committee

2021-22

- Chair, NED CKI Events Committee
- Sub-Chair, NED CKI Public Relations Committee
- President, UConn CKI
- 2022 NED CKI Governor/Administrator Award
- 2022 NED CKI Distinguished District Board Member Award

2020-21

- Digital Marketing Chair, UConn CKI

2019-20

- Robert F. Lucas Outstanding Lt. Governor, WIUM Key Club



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# CCCORE OF CKI

Hello CKI! It is my honor to run for the position of International Trustee. I have valued every opportunity with the Kiwanis Family to contribute to our community and develop relationships with my peers. I hope to continue inspiring others as many have done for me and develop CKI from the International-level. CKI has gone through some big changes, and I want to help us continue to focus on the amazing members that make up CKI and educate on CKI's core.



## COMMUNICATE

I want to ensure we are maintaining regular communication between International, Districts, and clubs.

- Social media: regular updates from Intl, Districts, and clubs
- Resources & videos for clubs/members:
  - Service Projects
  - Fundraisers
  - MRF Forms
  - K-Fam Relations



## CONNECT

clubs and members

- Sistrict Pen Pal Program & events:
  - Game/Trivia Nights
  - Open-floor discussions & leadership activities
  - Well-being events
- Regular visitations with District boards and clubs
- Sistrict Committee: get members involved in events



## CONTRIBUTE

I want to continue focusing on the amazing service work CKI clubs and members do for the community.

- Resource guide for clubs:
  - PPT & flier templates
  - Service projects
- Sistrict fundraiser initiatives
- Inclusivity:
  - DEI planning guide
  - Inclusivity discussions
- Club/member service highlights

## Candidate Questionnaire

### Candidate Information

**Name:** Dave Patel

**District:** New England

**Candidate for:** International Trustee

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#### **Question #1: What have you learned from your previous experiences that you plan to implement in this role?**

Through my previous CKI experiences, I have faced challenges that have helped me learn how to best support clubs and members. As a previous club president, I navigated challenges with membership recruitment and contacting community members, and I plan to create resources on these topics for clubs. As a District Board member, I learned how to organize events and effectively communicate with clubs and members, which I can use to organize events and discussions as Trustee. As an International Committee Chair, I have learned how to promote CKI's service initiatives and organize International-level events, connecting members from various districts. I plan to continue promoting member fellowship as Trustee to encourage club growth and problem-solving, helping to develop the amazing members of our organization!

#### **Question #2: How do you plan to promote CKI's major service initiatives (food and housing insecurity, environmental justice, etc.) in this role?**

I will focus on CKI's service initiatives through efforts to increase awareness and resources at all levels for clubs and members, such as by promoting videos and graphics from International committees. As Trustee, I plan to hold discussions aimed at learning about Districts' and clubs' understandings of the initiatives. I will use these to create tailored resources to support Districts and clubs, such as social media graphics, videos for Instagram, club PowerPoint templates, and sample service project guides for each initiative. I would also like to plan Sistrict fundraisers and social media challenges to get members involved in the initiatives. Overall, I believe that directly working with clubs can be a valuable tool in helping us identify ways to provide support and encourage involvement.

#### **Question #3: What strategies would you use to grow CKI membership at the international level?**

I plan to help CKI membership grow by listening to members at all levels and developing resources to support club growth. I would like to hold events with the clubs in my Sistrict to discuss problem-solving and understand their needs regarding recruiting and retaining CKI members, helping us tailor support. I also plan to help Districts by holding open-floor discussions to connect different Districts (including provisional Districts) and growing regions to work through challenges and identify ways to grow. Using these discussions, I hope to organize a resource bank to provide direct support for clubs, including recruitment flier templates, college involvement fair recruitment ideas, social media videos, and a sample PowerPoint for what CKI is and benefits.

#### **Question #4: Why do you feel like this is the best position for you?**

I believe that the role of Trustee is the best position for me to effectively connect and support Districts, clubs, and members to continue growing our organization. I can use my various background experiences on all levels of CKI and dedication to listening to members' needs, strong resilience to create change, and interpersonal relationship building to focus on CKI's development. I will use my skills to highlight our members and create collaborative environments between Districts, doing my best to help in any way I can. I believe my strong desire for the betterment of our organization will be a valuable asset in understanding what members are looking for in CKI to advocate for their ideas and suggestions.

#### **Question #5: If you could only accomplish one thing during your term, what would you accomplish and why?**

One thing I would accomplish is highlighting members' needs to understand how to support members and promote inclusivity in CKI. I want to provide opportunities for listening to clubs and members, such as through discussions with my Sistrict and a feedback/suggestion form. The discussions and form can help us identify how to develop resources for members' needs and how to create inclusive environments to provide a space for all individuals in CKI. I would also like to use these discussions to work on a diversity, equity, and inclusion planning guide with the Sistrict/Districts I work with by setting directives for the year. I believe that highlighting members' needs will help us retain our amazing members while recruiting new ones.

# PRIYANSHU "PRI" SAXENA FOR INTERNATIONAL TRUSTEE

*Building Tomorrow's  
Leaders Through  
Service Today*

## **Hello Circle K Members,**

My name is Priyanshu Saxena, and I am running to be your next International Trustee. Now entering our second full year out of the Pandemic, it is time that we find new and creative ways to push membership numbers back to where they were prior to 2020. I believe that the key to our organization's success lies in building and supporting our organization's leaders. We need to spend this next year finding passionate student leaders and equipping them with the proper tools to grow CKI. Many of you are exemplary of the caliber of leaders I am referring to, but this organization simply needs more minds like yours. My term will be spent not only equipping each and every one of you with the resources to be successful, but also finding more individuals just as passionate about CKI across college campuses. Once we establish strong leaders at the Club, District, and International Levels, they themselves will push Circle K to many successful years.



- **Home Club:** UNC Chapel Hill
- **Major:** Economics and Business Administration
- **Favorite Thing About CKI:** Leadership and Networking Opportunities
- **Experience:**
  - 2021-2022 Carolinas District Distinguished Secretary Treasurer
  - 2022-2023 Carolinas District Strategic Planning Committee Member
  - 2022-2023 Carolinas District Governor

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# THE VISION FOR 2023-2024

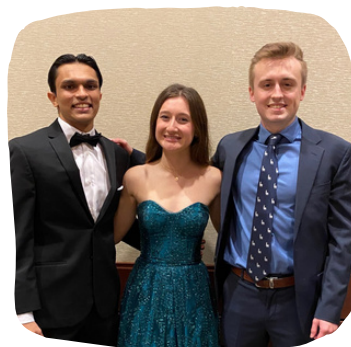
## What Does Circle K Need Today?

A majority of the problems faced by our organization stem from one root cause: low membership numbers. Increasing membership will allow us to complete more service, increase our dues revenue, and promote our three tenants to a wider student body. While many efforts have been made post pandemic to better market Circle K, it is now time to seek new and creative ways to draw in and keep prospecting members.

## How Do We Solve This?

### Let's *Change* the Way We Market Circle K

- Leverage the Circle K tenant of **Leadership** - Focus on drawing **aspiring Leaders** at the Club, District, and International levels dedicated to **growing** the organization
- Equip our Leaders with the resources necessary to **grow** CKI, **serve** their communities, and **sustain** a wider network
- Build a **Leadership Bench** for Districts
- Seek to have **contested elections** at Club, District, and International levels



## Candidate Questionnaire

### Candidate Information

**Name:** Priyanshu Saxena

**District:** Carolinas

**Candidate for:** International Trustee

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#### **Question #1: What have you learned from your previous experiences that you plan to implement in this role?**

My journey in CKI started in a unique way. As I prepared for my freshman year at UNC Chapel Hill and started to look for clubs across my campus, I came across many different student organizations lobbying for my membership. Many of these clubs marketed themselves as service organizations, but CKI was the only club that expressed interest in me as a leader. While I now understand the significance of Service and Fellowship within our organization, it was the tenant of Leadership that drew me to CKI. As such, my vision as your International Trustee will be centered around better highlighting the leadership and resume building opportunities CKI provides to attract servant leaders. These leaders will then inevitably succeed in bettering our organization.

#### **Question #2: How do you plan to promote CKI's major service initiatives (food and housing insecurity, environmental justice, etc.) in this role?**

The Service tenant of CKI is centered around the organization's major service initiatives. These initiatives guide our members to complete meaningful service within their communities, across their districts, and around the world. As International Trustee, I will ensure that Districts recognize the importance of serving in line with these initiatives and equip Districts with service opportunities and ideas rooted in changing our world through the lens of these initiatives. Through continued investments into projects such as BrickXBrick, we can and will continue to achieve our organization's vision of solving local and global issues centered around childhood development, environmental justice, food insecurity and homelessness, and mental health.

#### **Question #3: What strategies would you use to grow CKI membership at the international level?**

CKI is not solely about community service but is also an exceptional leadership development organization on college campuses. Even though I believe that no organization provides more meaningful service opportunities than CKI, hundreds of college clubs promote themselves through community service. We need to stand out and draw members by leveraging our Leadership tenant as students are constantly looking for leadership opportunities. As such, one of my main goals as International Trustee will be to filter down marketing material highlighting the leadership aspects of CKI. My larger goal is to attract passionate student leaders looking to exercise and develop their leadership skills. Once we recruit student leaders and equip the ones we already have with the resources to succeed, they themselves will grow CKI.

#### **Question #4: Why do you feel like this is the best position for you?**

As Past Governor and Secretary-Treasurer of a district that has shown membership growth in back-to-back years following the pandemic, I believe that I have the insights and skills necessary to achieve this growth across the organization. As International Trustee, I will work diligently to understand the struggles faced by my Districts and look to implement strategies I have seen work within my own District to achieve that same success across a wider range of the Circle K family. Moreover, as someone who's served both on a District Board as Secretary-Treasurer and led a District Board as Governor, I have come to understand the importance of effectively communicating problems and seeking solutions with fellow board members, a quality essential to being a good International Trustee.

#### **Question #5: If you could only accomplish one thing during your term, what would you accomplish and why?**

As the world's largest student led service organization, we have the unique opportunity each day to empower our members to create change in their communities and the world. As your trustee, I will continue to empower our Districts to create sustainable growth and help the organization serve at a greater capacity than we do today. Membership growth inevitably allows us to serve our communities to a greater extent, build a wider network, and create an organization with a broader impact across all levels. As such, if I could only accomplish one thing during my term, I would ensure that each one of my Districts achieve membership growth throughout the year. We need to strengthen Circle K this year, and our strength lies in our membership.

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**Name:** Amiya Williams

**District:** Montana

**Candidate for:** International Trustee

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#### **Question #1: What have you learned from your previous experiences that you plan to implement in this role?**

On the club board level, and as the Montana District Governor for Circle K International, I learned the value of sharing ideas with other clubs and districts to gain understanding, insight, and foster collaboration. Along with this, I have learned the steps necessary to charter a club, and the dedication it takes to do this. As an International Trustee, a large part of your role is being a resource to your districts. Being flexible in your position and adapting to your situation is vital to continue growing your clubs, district, and therefore international. Different clubs and districts may have somewhat different goals in a service year, but we all focus on three things: service, leadership, and fellowship, and I aim to aide these.

#### **Question #2: How do you plan to promote CKI's major service initiatives (food and housing insecurity, environmental justice, etc.) in this role?**

Promoting the major service initiatives that we as an organization have chosen is crucial. Using ideas that clubs already have implemented and giving other clubs and districts the opportunity to get involved with these projects is step one. This includes displaying what projects are being doing within the districts to further these initiatives. It would also include creating an environment where others can bring new ideas of what they believe could be implemented to address these initiatives, and welcoming feedback. Along with aiding other members and clubs in sharing their ideas, I would bring my personal work with all four initiatives through work with March of Dimes, Love Letters for Literacy, National CleanUp Day, UNICEF, Habitat for Humanity, United Way, Campus Counseling Centers, etc.

#### **Question #3: What strategies would you use to grow CKI membership at the international level?**

Growing CKI membership begins with growing the membership with an individual club first. As an International Trustee, I would be a resource. Membership growth would include me passing along what information the international level has for a district, and then a district distributing that information to individual clubs and members. Another way of doing this would be holding calls where different districts can come together and share what they have found to be both successful and unsuccessful in their own membership growth tactics.

#### **Question #4: Why do you feel like this is the best position for you?**

International Trustee is the best position for me because of my knowledge of CKI, unique experience with my district, and skillset of working with different people. As a trustee, you are working with individuals all in leadership positions. We all lead differently, and we all respond best to different forms of leadership. I bring the ability to connect with any individual, and therefore will be able to bring the club, district, and international levels together as an International Trustee. With my past experience in Key Club, as a general CKI member, club board officer, and Immediate Past Governor, I am more than ready and capable. I have seen current and past leadership and know I can be the future leadership.

#### **Question #5: If you could only accomplish one thing during your term, what would you accomplish and why?**

If there was only one thing I could accomplish during my term as International Trustee, it would be growing current membership by focusing on the importance of all THREE of the tenants. Service, leadership, and fellowship all create value, but when we combine the three, active and healthy clubs seem to erupt. My goal would be to educate on these three aspects, the value they bring to the individual members, and positive outcome it creates when practiced together.



