



New Jersey District Key Club International

New Jersey Key Club | April 5, 2025 | DECON Meeting

Attendees:

LTGS:

- Divya Das (1)
- Rishan Rashed (2)
- Warren LaMonica (3)
- Golam Khan (4)
- Lori Barton (5)
- Sadie Cizin (6)
- Jacob Park (7)
- Ishika Agarwal (8)
- Ella Buerkle (9)
- Mia Grossman (10)
- Bea Ascalon (11)
- Priyanka Kumar (12)
- Madeline Schmidtberg (13)
- Riya Singh (14)
- Marco Osorio (15)
- Himani Patel (16)
- Aashka Katapally (17)
- Rewa Jain (18)
- Imtiyaaz Khalique (19)
- Chloe Chung (20)
- Victoria Llardi (21)
- Andy Dong (At-Large)
- Avery Luper (At-Large)

EXECUTIVE:

- Abigail Lee (Governor)
- Ari Kestenbaum (Secretary)
- Janvi Singh (Treasurer)
- Khooshi Trivedi (Editor)
- Tanya Melkote (Webmaster)

KIWANIANS:

- Cristina Trecate (District Admin)
- Bonnie Sturm (Assistance District Ad)
- Andrew DeFelice (Financial Counselor)
- Christine Cheung (ZA)
- Debi Meade (ZA)
- Steven San Filippo (ZA)

Did Not Attend/Declined to Attend:



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- Divya Das (1)
- Golam Khan (4)
- Sadie Cizin (6)
- Madeline Schmidtberg (13)
- Marco Osorio (15)
- Imtiyaz Khalique (19)
- Chloe Chung (20)

Agenda:

- Opening activities and roll call
- Guest introductions and remarks
- Oral reports from board members and guests
- Upcoming event briefings and assignments
- Board appointments
- Final reflections and adjournment

Goals of the Meeting:

- Establish DECON board structure and key roles
- Provide updates on upcoming events and service year planning
- Facilitate coordination with Kiwanis and Circle K counterparts
- Discuss promotional and leadership development opportunities



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Notes:

Discussion summary:

- Meeting called to order by Governor Abi
- Pledge of Allegiance led by LTG Das
- Inspirational words shared by LTG Rashed
- Key Club Pledge led by LTG LaMonica

Guest Introductions and Comments

Discussion summary:

- Kevin Hidalgo emphasized support role and 10% growth objective
- Martin Slezak introduced Frank Cahil and hopes for stronger Kiwanis partnership
- Sanya Majmudar introduced Circle K programs, RTC presentations, and K-Family picnic

Key Points:

- Encouragement for collaboration
- Support for LTGs emphasized

Decision/Outcome/Actions:

- Stay in touch with guests and attend relevant Kiwanis events



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Upcoming Events & Assignments

Discussion summary:

- May Board Meeting (May 17-18) with Tri-K focus
- ICON: \$400 total subsidy possible with conditions
- October Fally Rally at Six Flags
- Virtual August meeting, Fall Board (Nov 22-23), Midwinter (Feb), RTCs (starting June 8)

Key Points:

- Timeline of responsibilities and events laid out

Decision/Outcome/Actions:

- LTGs to mark calendars and prepare for RTC development

Board Appointments

Discussion summary:

- Bea appointed as LTG
- Tanya appointed as Webmaster

Key Points:

- Appointments confirmed by vote

Decision/Outcome/Actions:

- Rishan Rashed and Himani Patel moved to appoint Bea



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- Warren LaMonica and Mia Grossman moved to appoint Tanya

Action Items:

- Submit RSVP for ICON by May 1 (to Trecate)
- Begin promoting strong club officers for LTG positions in October
- Prepare and review slideshows for June RTCs
- Confirm attendance for May Board and other upcoming events

Process & Workflow Updates:

- Promote early LTG recruitment to avoid scramble
- Encourage communication and clarity about attendance
- Service hours and growth goals emphasized via trustee communications

Next Steps & Upcoming Campaigns:

- Mrs. Fields fundraiser in support of ICON
- Kiwanis Picnic with Circle K
- Tri-K interactions in May to build partnerships



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Additional Notes:

- Reminder to share board calendar with family for planning
- Emphasis on promotional content for Fall Board (e.g., drones, hotel walkthroughs)