



Circle K International

Candidates for 2010-11 District Board

Letters of Intent

Candidates for District Governor

- Felicia Arriaga, Duke University, Capital Division
- Jacqui Moskel, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, Capital Division

Candidates for District Secretary-Treasurer

- No submissions

Candidates for District Bulletin Editor

- Kaitlin Hassell, North Carolina State University, Capital Division

Candidates for Lieutenant Governor

Blue Ridge Division

- No submissions

Capital Division

- No submissions

Coastal Division

- No submissions

Metro Division

- No submissions

Palmetto Division

- Ryan King, University of South Carolina-Aiken, Palmetto Division

Triad Division

- No submissions

Candidates for International Endorsement

- Megan-Ames Welter, North Carolina State University, Capital Division

Resources

- Sample caucus questions
- Note pages



District Governor

My name is Felicia Arriaga and I have been a member of the Kiwanis family going on six years. I understand what it means to be a dedicated member to this organization. Circle K comes second only to schoolwork and I would be willing to sacrifice other positions I currently hold. I have been able to balance multiple organizations and I know organization is essential to achieving such a task. I have public speaking experience thanks to a competition known as the Boys and Girls Clubs of America Youth of the Year program with my largest crowd being 2,000. I would like to be in charge of college students willing to embark on the path of a lifelong commitment to serving children of the world. I was a 12 year member of the Boys and Girls Club of Henderson County before working there for the past two years. I understand the problems facing the children of today's society and I would like to lead North and South Carolina's fight against the injustices plaguing this population.

Qualifications:

- Duke University offices held
 - Vice-president of ELLA (Latina mentoring group at Rogers Herr Middle School Durham, NC): 2008-present
 - Boys and Girls Club Project head for Alpha Phi Omega: 2009-present
- Extracurricular activities
 - Club Softball 2008-2009
 - Member of Alpha Phi Omega 2008-present
 - Editor of Chanticleer (Duke University Yearbook) 2008-present
 - First Year Advisory Counselor 2009-present
- Offices held within Circle K
 - Conferences and Conventions Chair for the Carolina's District Board 2009-2010
 - Cultural Convergence International co-chair 2009-2010
- Six year member of the Kiwanis family
 - 4 years in Key Club
 - 2nd year as an active Circle K member
- Awards
 - Presidential Service Award at the Gold level as Vice-president of Keystone Club at Boys and Girls Club of Henderson County: 2007-2008
 - Boys and Girls Clubs of America Southeast Regional Youth of the Year: 2008-2009
 - Duke Circle K member of the year: 2008-2009
- District Events attended
 - DLSSP: spring 2009, fall 2009
 - Kiwanis: Kiwanis District Convention (2009) and Kiwanis Mid-Winter (2010)
 - Governor's Project: fall 2009
 - Fall Rally 2009
 - DCON: 2009 and 2010
 - Club officer training 2009

Circle K is only one of the components of the Kiwanis family and my goals are as follows:

- All levels of the Kiwanis family interacting to fight against issues impacting children, this means Circle K clubs reaching out to other levels in the surrounding area
- I would like to help organize the 2nd annual Governor's Project at the Frazee Dream Center
- Seeing as we are an organization dedicated to serving the children of the world, I would like to have each active club participate or organize an event on Boys and Girls Clubs *Day for Kids*. Information available at <http://www.dayforkids.org/>
- I also wish to add another project in association with another service organization called Alpha Phi Omega. Alpha Phi Omega is a coed service fraternity giving its members the opportunity to develop leadership skills as they provide service to their campus, to youth and the community, to the nation, and to the members of the fraternity. *Youth Service Day* takes place every spring around April 24-26 and is actually a weekend event.
http://www.apo.org/show/National_Programs/Service/Programs/Spring_Youth_Service_Day
- I will work with my board to ensure every member in a leadership position is fulfilling their duties as described when they take the oath of their office.
- I will also continue to give back to the communities that have given so much to me
- I will work towards helping every club collect the funds necessary to pay the new system of dues which will go into effect
- Better communication between club and district level as well as detailed information passed from former officers to their predecessors

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to working with Circle K in the upcoming years. I hope to serve this District to the best of my ability while continuing my mission to serve the youth of this nation.

Felicia Arriaga
Duke University '12
Conferences & Conventions Chair

Hello Carolinas District!

My name is Jacqui Moskel, and I am pleased to announce my candidacy for the office of District Governor. Serving as a member of the District Board for the past three years—first as Capital Division Lieutenant Governor, then as the Membership Development and Education (MD&E) Chair, and currently as the Secretary-Treasurer—has greatly prepared me for this position. As Lieutenant Governor I was able to learn to appreciate the individuality of my division's clubs. This position gave me a deeper understanding of Circle K and made me truly realize the importance of each club and member. After trying to help my clubs overcome problems with recruitment and retention as Lieutenant Governor, I applied for MD&E Chair for the 2008-2009 year. I was able to focus more of my time on creating resources for clubs to help them with those issues and to educate their members about Circle K. Last year I also served as Historian for UNC-Chapel Hill, my home club, where I created a club newsletter and prepared a scrapbook documenting the club's events throughout the year. This year, as Secretary-Treasurer, I have been able to work more closely with all of the clubs in the District and gain a deeper understanding of the problems and issues that our District currently faces. These leadership experiences with the Club and District Board have taught me about the role of the district and how we can all come together to truly make an impact in our communities.

Community service has always been a large part of my life. I was very involved in Girl Scouts, from kindergarten all the way through my senior year in high school. During my first week at UNC, I set out at the activities fair to find a community service organization to join, and I found Circle K. The past years in Circle K have had a huge impact on my life and now I have the opportunity to give back to this wonderful organization.

Circle K has enriched my life and helped me grow into the person I am today. My love for the district continues to grow with every new person I meet and service project I attend. I have seen, firsthand, the magnificence of the Carolinas District. We have accomplished so much; yet we still have the ability to grow even more, as a district, as clubs, and most importantly as a Circle K family. I am really excited about what I see in Circle K's future, and I look forward to being a part of it.

My passion for service has led me to Circle K. I hope to continue serving this great district next year as your Governor. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to seeing you all at District Convention 2010!

Yours in Service,

Jacqui Moskel



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District Bulletin Editor

Dear Carolinas District Circle K,

My name is Kaitlin Hassell and I am very excited to announce my candidacy for the office of District Bulletin Editor. This is my second year being involved in Circle K, and I am currently serving as Bulletin Editor at NC State University. I am a sophomore at NC State University majoring in Biological Sciences and seeking a minor in Design Studies. As bulletin editor at my home club, I have become experienced with the templates and format that the Carolinas district bulletins require. Moreover, I love the study of design, considering it is my minor, and designing the bulletins is definitely a joy, especially spreading the word and showing others how amazing Circle K is.

I love performing community service; there is just something about it that makes me feel like I'm making a difference in the world. During high school, I joined Key Club, which is a part of the Kiwanis family, and held several different positions. I was the freshman representative, Vice President my junior year, and also President my senior year. During this time, I had never been involved in so many different service opportunities other than with my church and it opened my eyes to all of the different service organizations that needed help. After attending district convention, I found many amazing opportunities that the Kiwanis family offered. Therefore, I decided to join Circle K my freshman year at NC State and I have loved all of the fellowship and service ever since.

I have been involved in Circle K events, including fall and spring DLSSP, Fall Rally, and DCON. The people that I have met and the service that I have performed has made me fall in love with this organization. In the bulletins, I will show how this student-led organization serves our community through fun pictures and compelling articles.

Circle K has given me so much that I can't wait to let all of its members know about all of the upcoming events and amazing opportunities in the district bulletin. I hope that you, as a member, will believe in me as I set forth in this new endeavor as your District Bulletin Editor. I look forward to seeing you at the 2010 District Convention in Columbia! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours in service,



Kaitlin Hassell



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Lieutenant Governor - Palmetto Division

Hello Carolinas District,

My name is Ryan King, and I am running for the position of Lieutenant Governor for the Palmetto Division of the Carolinas District of Circle K International. Since the start of my college career in the spring semester of 2009 at the University of South Carolina - Aiken, I have been a member of Circle K. I have enjoyed my time with my home club, and I am very proud of all the things that we have accomplished together. I have seen myself grow as a leader and service member over the past year while reaching limits that I never thought possible with Circle K. I have every intention of pushing myself further as an individual and a group leader, and this is why I would like to be your lieutenant governor.

After joining Circle K, I accomplished many things. My first semester, I was awarded the honor of Member of the Semester; I was also appointed the Fundraiser Chair. Since I was appointed this position, our fundraising department has seen greater numbers than ever before and continues to rise. The most recent events that I have put together were a hot chocolate sale and a bake sale. With those two events, we have raised approximately a hundred and twenty dollars. With this great number inflation as compared to previous years, we have been able to do more projects with the kids in the community and have more events so that our club can grow. For example, we were able to throw a birthday party for children at the Boys and Girls Home in our area. This spring, we will hold a fundraising auction, in which the Circle K members themselves will be "auctioned" off to the highest bidder for the day. With the proceeds of this event, the club hopes to be able to organize more projects with the youth in the Aiken community. Our goal is to help Circle K grow, both as a club and as a community resource for the youth.

This year, I was able to attend the District Fall Rally in Charlotte, NC. During this time, I was able to participate in team events which allowed me to interact with fellow members from different schools. At the end of the trip, I was awarded the Leadership award by my peers. Participating in those team building events gave me the desire to want to seek a leadership position within the district. Through hard work and determination, I have every intention of pushing myself further as an individual and a group leader, and this is why I would like to be elected as your Lieutenant Governor for the Palmetto Division for Circle K. I feel that I have the ability to be a positive leader within the Circle K organization. I believe this organization has the potential to change lives and my goal is to help Circle K grow to its fullest potential.

Yours in service,

Ryan King

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CKI

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International Endorsement

Hey Carolinas!

It's your District Governor Megan-Ames Welter and I am seeking International Endorsement. This past year has been a fun filled year for me. It also taught me a lot about myself and helped me grow up and take responsibilities that I never thought I could. I have learned so much this year about Circle K International and met so many wonderful people that share my passion for service.

I first joined Circle K my sophomore year at NC State by being brought to a meeting by a fellow sorority sister. After that first meeting, I was hooked. My favorite part of that semester was attending DLSSP at the Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina. I met Anita Iria and was encouraged to apply to be a Lt. Governor for a division. Well, when I find something I like I jump in head first. Two weeks after joining Circle K, I found myself looking after the Blue Ridge Division of the Carolinas District. That year I managed to plan a Divisional for the Blue Ridge division and we had a ton of fun. That fall, I was also Member of the Semester for Fall 2008 for my home club of NC State. With my home club, I really try to make every meeting and go to the service projects. My favorite service project last semester was cooking breakfast at the Ronald McDonald House in Durham with my club; I have never made so much french toast in my life.

This past year my favorite district event was the Governor's Project. It was something that we have not have in a long time. This year we visited the Frazee Dream Center in Greenville, SC and spent Saturday morning with the children there. We had 30 Circle Ker's from around the Carolinas come and effect many different lives that day. I hope that the next Governor will continue this project to reach out to as many children as possible.

I hope that I can serve Circle K on the International level just as well as I served on the District level. I feel that I have a lot of Circle K Spirit to share and bring to people.

K-Love!

Megan-Ames Welter
Carolinas District Governor

Sample Caucus Questions

Caucus questions should focus on getting information from the candidates to illustrate whether s/he is qualified for the position. Nonsense and irrelevant questions, along with hazing, are not appropriate during caucusing.

1. What are your qualifications for this position?
2. What is your Circle K experience?
3. Why did you join Circle K?
4. If elected, what will your duties be?
5. Explain your platform.
6. How will you be able to manage both your school and Circle K district officer responsibilities? Will you be able to take time off to travel?
7. What other school activities are you involved in? What have you learned from this outside involvement and how can you apply this learning to your involvement with Circle K?
8. Why are you seeking this office?
9. What have you done to improve your club this year?
10. What does Circle K mean to you?
11. How has Circle K benefited you?
12. Describe why you believe you are qualified for this office.
13. Give three adjectives to describe yourself.
14. What is your greatest strength? Weakness?
15. What do you see as the main priority of the district board next year?
16. Do you have the support of your home club? Kiwanis club? Home division?
17. If someone who knew nothing about CKI asked you what it is, how would you respond?
18. What qualities should a successful officer possess? Which of these qualities do you possess?
19. What is the CKI motto?
20. How many districts are there in CKI?
21. How many clubs are there in CKI?
22. What is the International Service Initiative? What have you done to promote it?
23. What are the International Service Partners?
24. What are the steps to building a new Circle K club?
25. Who is this year's Key Club District Governor?
26. Who is the Kiwanis District Governor? Governor-Elect? District Secretary?
27. What accomplishments are you especially proud of?
28. Where did the word Kiwanis originate and what does it mean?
29. What is the largest Circle K district by membership?
30. How many voting delegates may each club seat in the House of Delegates?
31. When does the CKI fiscal year begin?
32. What persons compose the International Council?
33. Who is the most important person in CKI?
34. Will you join a Kiwanis Club after graduation?
35. When is CKI Service Week?
36. How many members are needed to charter a Circle K club? To reactivate a retained club?
37. When are International dues due? Delinquent? District dues?
38. How many newsletters do you plan to publish this year?
39. How will you promote DCON?
40. What does CKI offer clubs and their members for their dues?
41. Give a specific example where you led a group of people to accomplish a task?
42. What year were women accepted as members of CKI?

43. What is your opinion of the proposed amendment to _____?
44. What is the highest amount a district can charge for dues?
45. What is the role of the Circle K District Administrator?
46. If elected what are your long-range and short-range goals and objectives?
47. How do you plan to achieve your goals?
48. Describe your work habits when you are under pressure. How do you relieve stress?
49. What do you hope to gain from your experience as a district officer?
50. How would a friend who knows you well describe you?
51. What motivates you to put forth your greatest effort?
52. In what ways do you think you can make a contribution to our organization?
53. Choose a current world leader who reflects what you value in a leader. Why?
54. Briefly explain the Kiwanis District Board and its relationship with the Circle K District Board.

For Governor Candidates

1. What do you view as the most important priority of the district board next year?
2. What steps will you take to ensure continuity and a smooth transition between next year's board and its predecessors?
3. What strengths and weaknesses do you see within our organization?
4. How do you plan to promote Kiwanis family relations on a District level?

Notes