

MINUTES
2020 FLORIDA DISTRICT ANCHOR CONVENTION
MARCH 7-8, 2020
WYNDHAM CELEBRATION RESORT AND CONFERENCE CENTER
KISSIMMEE, FLORIDA

Saturday, March 7, 2020

Florida District Anchor Coordinator, Mallory Davis, called the convention to order at 10:01 a.m. and introduced Erin Ennis, 2019-2020 Florida District Anchor President, Pace High School Anchor Club. Erin welcomed attendees.

Bailey Goodman, Parliamentarian, lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Arianna Cawthon, Chaplain, delivering an inspirational.

President Erin introduced the dais, reserved seating and Florida District Executive Committee

Dais – far left:

Catherine Giordano, Director, Bishop Kenny High School Anchor Club
Thomas Raiff, Treasurer, Pace High School Anchor Club
Devin Box, Secretary, Pace High School Anchor Club

far right:

Alicia Puga, President Elect, Miami Springs Senior High School Anchor Club
Arianna Cawthon, Chaplain, Pace High School Anchor Club
Bailey Goodman, Parliamentarian, Bishop Kenny High School Anchor Club

Reserved seating:

Mallory Davis, District Anchor Coordinator, Pilot Club of Tallahassee
Claire Mikko, District Assistant Anchor Coordinator, Pilot Club of Tallahassee
Mr. Dustin Gray, Assistant Principal, Pace High School

Florida District Executive Committee:

Diana Kingree, Governor, Rails 2 Trails Pilot Club
Beverly Shean, Governor Elect, Pilot Club of Panama City
Ann Freeman, Secretary, Space Coast Pilot Club
Charlotte Edenfield, Treasurer, Pilot Club of Tallahassee
Gail Hill, North Region Lt. Governor, Pilot Club of Marianna
Missy Ridgway, North Central Region Lt. Governor, Pilot Club of Ocala
Jonda Erwin, South Central Region Lt. Governor, Pilot Club of Titusville

President Erin welcomed all First Timers to the convention, then introduced Mandy Billings, Wyndham Celebration Resort representative, who welcomed the Anchors on behalf of the hotel.

President Erin introduced Alicia Puga, President Elect, who introduced the representatives carrying their club posters in the Parade of Posters:

Diana Kingree, Governor, Florida District Pilots	Established 1934
Erin Ennis, President, Florida District Anchors	Established 1954
Rileagh Council, Walton High School	Established January 1954
Natalia Rodriguez, Miami Springs High School	Established March 1965
Michelle Seguin, Bishop Kenny High School	Established December 1968

Makayla Ortiz, Astronaut High School
 Cole Sample, Pace High School
 Amber Jenkins, Robert F. Munroe Day School
 Nicholas Bolick, Palatka High School
 Carasie Beaver, Freeport High School
 Owen Foster-Hickey, Cape Coral High School

Established November 1972
 Established October 1977
 Established September 1986
 Established April 1980
 Established April 1997
 Established November 2017

After the parade, the posters were placed on tables for judging. A representative from each club, wearing their club shirt, was asked to go to the front of the room for judging of the best club shirt. Awards for both will be announced Sunday morning.

President Erin recognized Devin Box, who presented the registration report

Voting Attendees

District Officers	1
Club Delegates	23
Total Voting Strength:	23

Non-Voting Attendees

Anchors	121
Pilot International Officers	0
Florida District Pilots	16
Other Pilots	0
Advisors	9
Chaperones	17
Non-Anchor Guests	0
Total Non-Voting Attendees	163
Total Attending	187

Bailey Brown, Palatka Anchor Club, moved to accept the Registration Report. Alexis Mills, Astronaut Anchor Club seconded. Motion carried. The Report of the Registration Committee serves as the roll call of clubs. President Erin asked all delegates to stand and then asked Parliamentarian Bailey Goodman if there was a quorum. Bailey verified that a quorum was present. Bailey then presented the Convention Rules. Dailey Jackson, Bishop Kenny Anchor Club, moved to accept the Convention Rules. Nicholas Bolick seconded. Motion carried. Bailey then presented the convention agenda. Natalia Rodriguez, Miami Springs Anchor Club moved to accept the convention agenda. Makayla Ortiz, Astronaut Anchor Club seconded. Motion carried.

President Erin announced that with the acceptance of the report of the Registration Committee and the adoption of the Convention Rules and Convention Agenda, the Florida District Anchor Convention was officially organized to conduct business.

President Erin introduced Devin Box, Secretary, who stated that the 2019 Convention Minutes, were sent out to all clubs via Constant Contact 30 days in advance of convention and were posted on the District website. Macy Emmons, Robert F. Monroe Anchor Club, moved to accept the 2019 convention minutes. Amber Jenkins, Robert F. Monroe Anchor Club, seconded. Motion carried.

President Erin stated Devin Box would present the proposed amendments to the Standing Rules. They were referred to as a pending motions and no seconds were required because previous notification has been given.

Devin read proposed Amendment #1:

Section I A Organizational Structure, strike the words "Parliamentarian and Chaplain", insert the word "and" after the word "Treasurer", and insert the word "Organization" as the last word in the paragraph.

Proposed Reading

I. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

A. Officers of the Florida District Anchor Organization will be President, President Elect, Secretary, Treasurer and Director. The officers of the Florida District Anchor Organization will constitute the governing body of the Florida Anchor Organization.

Rationale & Notations

With Anchor membership having decreased over the past several years and the lack of interested members to run for district office, it is recommended that the District Anchor officers be reduced to five. This would be a savings of approximately \$1,400 per year.

If approved, the amendment will be effective with the 2021-2022 year and implemented at elections at the 2021 Anchor District Convention.

If approved, the Anchor District Policies & Procedures Manual will be amended accordingly.

President Erin then repeated the proposed Amendment #1 and opened the floor for discussion. Discussion ensued. President Erin called for the vote. Motion carried.

Devin read proposed Amendment #2:

Section II Duties Section C District Officers, rewrite subparagraphs 5 a, b and c

Proposed Reading

II. Duties

C. District Officers

5. The Florida District Anchors, Coordinators and DEC representatives will attend a minimum of five meetings annually. Some of the meetings may be by tele-communications. All meetings, in person or via tele-communications, will have minutes.

a. District Anchor Officers will attend the following meetings:

i. Florida District Anchor Convention. The District Anchor Officers and District Pilot Anchor Committee members will attend the Friday evening pre-Anchor Convention meeting to set up and finalize convention plans.

ii. Florida District Anchor Convention board meeting for newly elected officers. The District Anchor Officers and Pilot Anchor Committee members will attend a brief meeting on Saturday, at a scheduled time during the Anchor Convention weekend, to become acquainted with their new board members and set the schedule for the coming year.

b. District Anchor Officers and Coordinators are encouraged to attend the Florida District Pilot Convention and Florida District Fall Council.

c. Other meetings, as needed.

Rationale & Notations

Officer meetings outside of Pilot Conferences or via telecommunications would allow the District Pilot Anchor Committee to attend the District Anchor Officer meetings. The Anchor savings may be as much as \$5,700 per year if there were less in-person meetings. Even if the officers, Coordinators and District Executive Committee (DEC) representatives met in person, outside of Pilot conferences, they could accomplish their business at a significant savings.

If approved, the amendment will be effective at the close of business at the 2020 Anchor District Convention.

President Erin then repeated the proposed Amendment #2 and opened the floor for discussion. Discussion ensued. President Erin called for the vote. Motion carried.

Devin read proposed Amendment #3:

VIII. Finances

D 1 Strike the words "and per diem (as stated in the Florida District Policy and Procedure Manual at \$8 for breakfast, \$12 for lunch and \$20 for dinner)" and insert the word "and" after the word "transportation,,"; in Section VIII, Finances D 2 strike the words "and per diem" and insert the word "and" after the word "transportation,,"; in D 3 strike the words "and Florida District Governor Elect" and in Section VIII Finances D 5 strike the words "per diem as stated in the P&P" and insert the word "and" after the word lodging.

Proposed Reading

VIII. Finances

- D. Administrative/operating expenses included in the operating budget, funded by Anchor District dues, will include the following:
1. Registration, transportation and lodging for the District Anchor officers to attend District Anchor Convention, Florida District Pilot Convention and Pilot Fall Council.
 2. Registration, transportation and lodging for the District Anchor Coordinator and Anchor Assistant Coordinator to attend the District Anchor Convention and Florida District Pilot Convention and for the District Anchor Coordinator to attend Pilot Fall Council.
 3. Registration and lodging for the Florida District Pilot treasurer to attend District Anchor convention.
 4. If funds are available, costs associated with sending the representative of the Anchor Club of the Year to attend Pilot International Anchor Leadership Summit.
 5. Registration, transportation and lodging for the District Anchor president and District Anchor Coordinator to attend the PI Anchor Leadership Summit.
 6. When funds permit, registration fees for two (2) additional Anchor members to accompany the president and Anchor Club of the Year representative to the PI Anchor Leadership Summit.
 7. Miscellaneous operating expenses and supplies necessary for successful District operation.

Rationale & Notations

Pilot International, Anchor International and the Florida Pilot District are trending toward elimination of per diem at all conventions as a cost savings measure. In addition, most meals are included at the Florida District events. Elimination of the registration and lodging for the Pilot Governor Elect at the District Anchor Convention are covered by the District Pilot budget. The Anchor budget savings would be approximately \$1,400.

If approved, the Anchor Policy & Procedures Manual will be amended accordingly by the Florida District Executive Council.

If approved, the amendment will be effective at the close of business at the 2020 Anchor District Convention.

President Erin then repeated the proposed Amendment #3 and opened the floor for discussion. Discussion ensued. President Erin called for the vote. There was a tie vote. President Erin voted yes for the tie breaker. Motion carried.

President Erin introduced Thomas Raiff, Treasurer, to read the Treasurer's Report and the 2020-2021 proposed budget.

Thomas read the 2020-2021 Treasurer's Report, stating there was a beginning balance (March 1, 2019) of \$21,314.87 and an ending balance (February 29, 2020) of \$31,958.87. There was no discussion; therefore, the report will be filed for audit.

Thomas advised that they would be voting on proposed budget D. The 2020-2021 proposed budget was distributed 30 days in advance of convention to all clubs and was posted on the District website. It is referred to as a pending motion and no second is required because previous notification has been given. No discussion. Motion carried.

President Erin introduced the nominees for the Anchor board of officers:

President Elect	Brett Robbins, Robert F. Munroe Anchor Club
Treasurer	Anna Shoemaker, Bishop Kenny High School Anchor Club
Director	Owen Foster-Hickey, Cape Coral High School Anchor Club
Parliamentarian	Alisson Barrios, Miami Spring Senior High School Anchor Club
Chaplain	Olivia Wakefield, Bishop Kenny High School Anchor Club

Each nominee read their statements. After all the statements were read, President Erin stated that there were no other nominees; therefore, the chair declared each of them elected by acclamation.

President Erin introduced guest speaker, Mr. Dustin Gray, assistant principal of Pace High School. Mr. Grey spoke about "Going Old School."

After announcements by Catherine Giordano, Director, President Erin excused all to leave the room and to return in an hour for the Friendship Luncheon.

Recessed for Friendship Luncheon

President's Friendship Luncheon began at noon with a welcome from President Erin. Ariana gave an invocation.

Business Session reconvened once the room was set up after the luncheon

President Erin announced the 2020-2021 Florida District Anchor Board

Alicia Puga	President
Brett Robbins	President Elect
Anna Shoemaker	Treasurer
Owen Foster-Hickey	Director
Alisson Barrios	Parliamentarian
Olivia Wakefield	Chaplain

Alicia then announced her secretary, Naica Garcon, Miami Springs Senior High School Anchor Club

President Erin announced there would be four workshops:

What is a Delegate – Alicia Puga

Kahoot – Pace High School Anchor Club

Internal Improvements – Bishop Kenny High School Anchor Club

Ten Minute Service Projects – Mrs. Kathy Doyle

Pilot Club of Miami President and Youth Coordinator

And while the workshops were being conducted in the ballroom, the advisors and chaperones attended a workshop presented by Claire Mikko, District Assistant Anchor Coordinator, in the Oleander Room.

Workshops conducted, once completed

President Erin provided instruction for the district project. Anchors painted over 600 rocks with inspirational thoughts to bring back to their communities.

Once the district project was completed announcements were made by Catherine. President Erin informed the 2020-2021 District Officers that there would be a meeting for them in the ballroom immediately following the recess. She then dismissed everyone until the installation dinner.

Recessed

President Elect Alicia Puga conducted the 2020-2021 board meeting with the newly elected District Anchor officers.

The 2020-2021 Florida District Officers entered the ballroom at 7:05 p.m., announced by Mallory Davis, District Anchor Coordinator.

President Erin welcomed everyone and asked Arianna to say an invocation.

After dinner, the 2020-2021 District Officers were installed by Mrs. Kathy Doyle, Pilot Club of Miami President and Youth Coordinator.

After installation, President Erin excused all to get ready for the lip sync contest and dance.

Sunday, March 8, 2020

Arianna conducted the Memorial Service. After the service, President Erin welcomed everyone to the breakfast. Once breakfast was completed, the hotel staff was thanked for their service over the weekend.

President Erin welcomed Ms. Mary Jane McMillen, Pilot Awards Jury Chair, to the podium to announce the award winners. In total, there were 53 awards presented.

Pick Me Up Award – 40 members and under

2nd Place – John Carroll High School Anchor Club

1st Place – Palatka High School Anchor Club

Pick Me Up Award – 41 members and up

3rd Place – St. Joseph Academy Anchor Club

2nd Place – Bishop Kenny High School Anchor Club

1st Place – Miami Springs Senior High School Anchor Club

BrainMinders Award – 40 members and under
2nd Place – Robert F. Munroe Day School Anchor Club
1st Place – John Carroll High School Anchor Club

BrainMinders Award – 41 members and up
1st Place – Miami Springs Senior High School Anchor Club

Community Service Award – 40 members and under
3rd Place – John Carroll High School Anchor Club
2nd Place – Cape Coral High School Anchor Club
1st Place – Freeport High School Anchor Club

Community Service Award – 41 members and up
3rd Place – Bishop Kenny High School Anchor Club
2nd Place – St. Joseph Academy Anchor Club
1st Place – Miami Springs Senior High School Anchor Club

Anchor for Kids – 40 members and under
3rd Place – Cape Coral High School Anchor Club
2nd Place – Palatka High School Anchor Club
1st Place – Freeport High School Anchor Club

Anchor for Kids – 41 members and up
3rd Place – Miami Springs Senior High School Anchor Club
2nd Place – St. Joseph Academy Anchor Club
1st Place – Bishop Kenny High School Anchor Club

Patriotism – 40 members and under
3rd Place – Palatka High School Anchor Club
2nd Place – Cape Coral High School Anchor Club
1st Place – Freeport High School Anchor Club

Patriotism – 41 members and up
3rd Place – St. Joseph Academy Anchor Club
2nd Place – Miami Springs Senior High School Anchor Club
1st Place – Bishop Kenny High School Anchor Club

Environmental – 40 members and under
2nd Place – John Carroll High School Anchor Club
1st Place – Freeport High School Anchor Club

Environmental – 41 members and up
2nd Place – Miami Springs Senior High School Anchor Club
1st Place – Bishop Kenny High School Anchor Club

Service Award – 40 members and under
3rd Place – Cape Coral High School Anchor Club
2nd Place – John Carroll High School Anchor Club
1st Place – Freeport High School Anchor Club

Service Award – 41 members and up

3rd Place – St. Joseph Academy Anchor Club

2nd Place – Bishop Kenny High School Anchor Club

1st Place – Miami Springs Senior High School Anchor Club

Anchor Club of the Year – 40 members and under

Robert F. Munroe Day School Anchor Club

Anchor Club of the Year – 41 members and up

2nd Place – Miami Springs Senior High School Anchor Club

1st Place – Bishop Kenny High School Anchor Club

Anchor of the Year

Owen Foster-Hickey – Cape Coral High School Anchor Club

Awards were also presented for **Club Poster** (three awards), **Club Shirt** (three awards), **Spirit and Congeniality** and the **Lip Sync Contest** (three awards for 40 members and under and three awards for 41 members and up)

After the awards were announced, President Erin had the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 District Anchor officers to line up in front of the dais for the name badge exchange. After the exchange, President Erin announced the 2020-2021 District Officers.

The District Anchor Board presented the Year in Review:

President Erin spoke about the 2019 Anchor Convention

Catherine Giordano and Bailey Goodman spoke about the 2019 Pilot District Convention

Arianna Cawthon and Thomas Raiff spoke about tele-meetings

Alicia Puga and Devin Box spoke about the 2019 Anchor International Summit

President Erin presented the State of the Florida District Anchor Organization and gave her parting words.

After the final announcements by Catherine, President Erin adjourned the Convention at 9:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Devin Box //s//

Devin Box
Florida District Anchor Secretary