



ENCLOSED PLEASE FIND THE CANDIDATES FOR EACH POSITION FOR THE DISTRICT BOARD INCLUDING:

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# DCON CANDIDATES

# DISTRICT GOVERNOR

NAME: Om Rajpal

SCHOOL/CLUB: Brookfield Central Key Club

DIVISION: 8

WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES/CLUBS/SPORTS DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN?

I participate in my school's Tennis team, HOSA, and Science Bowl.

PLATFORM:

I am running for the office of Governor of the Wisconsin Upper-Michigan Key Club district. Ever since my freshman year, I have been amazed by the effect Key Club has had on its community, and I hope to help Key Club uphold these standards and motives by utilizing my passion for service and skills. My favorite part about volunteering is that the motivation lies in the volunteering itself. Seeing the smiles and faces of gratitude drove me to commit myself to Key Club and volunteering, and, if elected, one of my goals would be to spread the joy of volunteering throughout Wisconsin and Upper Michigan by increasing the number of members and clubs. Another one of my goals would be to increase the amount of money raised for the Governor's Project. Specifically, I hope to use the Governor's Project to support the American Red Cross in their efforts to combat the effects of natural disasters. As a Lieutenant Governor for Divisions 14 and 16, one of my main goals was to increase communication between my clubs to foster creativity and efficiency. I plan to bring this to the whole district as Governor, ensuring close collaboration with both clubs and the International Council.

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NAME: Will Strader

SCHOOL/CLUB: Brookfield Central Key Club

DIVISION: 8

WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES/CLUBS/SPORTS DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN?

Track and Field, Cross Country

PLATFORM:

I am interested in serving as District Governor because I am very passionate about Key Club and have been since my freshman year. I love Key Club for its ability to truly impact and improve upon a community in various ways. It feels great to give back to the community and Key Club has a great dedication to serving others in need. I want to run for District Governor because I want an increased responsibility and ability to have a hand in leading and assisting Key Clubs that want to better their communities as well. My goals as governor would be to restructure the governor's project and focus on being more involved in the local Key Club's daily activities which would allow for greater fundraising and volunteering opportunity.

# **DISTRICT SECRETARY/TREASURER**

NAME: Muntaha Raza

SCHOOL/CLUB: Brookfield Central High School Key Club

DIVISION: 8

WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES/CLUBS/SPORTS DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN?

Forensics, Debate, School Newspaper, Student Council

PLATFORM:

My name is Muntaha Raza, and I am thrilled to run for District Secretary-Treasurer. Key Club has allowed me to better engage with my community and pursue my passion for service. I want to help the Wisconsin Upper Michigan District grow and spread my love of service. As this past year's Lieutenant Governor for Division 5 and Division 10a, I have learned about the importance of communication and adaptability. And though I greatly enjoyed working with my divisions, I want to further my involvement with Key Club. I am organized and dependable, and I will work hard to support all WIUM clubs. If elected as secretary-treasurer, I would work toward increasing club MRF turn-in rates to 100%, raising \$8000 for the governor's and district projects, meeting with club secretaries and treasurers at least twice during my term, and improving communication between members and the district board. I hope that I will be able to implement my ideas and serve you as secretary-treasurer.

# **K-FAMILY OUTREACH COORDINATOR**

NAME: Arisha Sobhani

SCHOOL/CLUB: Brookfield Central High School

DIVISION: 8

WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES/CLUBS/SPORTS DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN?

DECA, class council, forensics, violin, tennis

PLATFORM:

Serving on the district board as the division eight lieutenant governor has allowed me to experience the inner workings of key club at a deeper level. Although I have been on my school's key club executive board since freshman year, I have received several unique opportunities throughout my time on the district board. I have gained valuable insight into the importance of having good-time management, developed crucial skills of communication and leadership, and, discovered my passion for service. I would be fit for the role of Kiwanis Family Outreach Coordinator (KFOW) for the 2022-2023 year because I seize every opportunity I get to engage in communicating with new people. I prioritize helping others and fulfilling the duties of my leadership roles, and as KFOW I would continue to do so. One goal I have is to reach out to all Kiwanis members twice a month, particularly to organize funding for several different items. This includes District training events, such as webshops and leadership conventions, as well as other costs specifically related to membership. My second goal is to increase promotion of the Key Club Outreach Fund. In order to do this, I will implement more awareness of it to LTGs, businesses, and key clubs. This brings me to my third goal: nurture meaningful friendships with all members of both the executive and district board. If elected as the KFOW, I would be sure to utilize the skills I have developed over the years to attain all of my goals.

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# ENDORSEMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL OFFICE

NAME: Erin Hu

SCHOOL/CLUB: Brookfield Central

DIVISION: 8

WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES/CLUBS/SPORTS DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN?

Throughout the year I play tennis, do biomedical research, and compete in DECA and Public Forum Debate.

PLATFORM:

Key Club has given me the opportunity to care for my community with others passionate about volunteering. Key Clubbers are dedicated to giving back and have been an inspiration to me since freshman year. The club itself fosters a welcoming environment for all. From local events to national wide initiatives, Key Club serves all levels. The mission of Key Club has only made me want to be more involved in the organization at an international level to meet Key Clubbers across the world, facilitate worldwide initiatives, and connect members. I hope to open DOORS as Key Club International Trustee. First, diversity. With the international platform, I intend to increase the diversity of Key Club through resources, such as diversity mentors, for potential members no matter socioeconomic or cultural backgrounds. Secondly, outreach. As an International Trustee, I plan to establish better outreach directly to members at a club level, and receive feedback on what they need to better serve their communities. Thirdly, online. By providing accessible resources on virtual platforms, I plan on better utilizing technology in involving international members. Lastly, retainment. As Key Club membership is beginning to recover from the pandemic, I want to create an intermediate committee that all members can sign up for and meet monthly for international initiatives. By bringing together members worldwide, members are incentivized to stay involved and become more engaged. I hope that by becoming a part of the international board, I can help Key Club open new DOORS of opportunity.

## DIVISION LIEUTENANT GOVERNORS

NAME: Lilliana Greisch

SCHOOL/CLUB: Monona Grove High School

DIVISION: 4

WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES/CLUBS/SPORTS DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN?

By Youth For Youth, YCAT Madison, Dane County Youth Environmental Committee, Forensics, Hiking Club, Model UN

PLATFORM:

I am inspired to run for this position because of the power of connection between organizations. I have dedicated around four to six hours a week to community action for the past several months, and have found that interconnection between community members has the power to make immense change -- change that the government neglects to consider. It is integral to me to help drive the purpose of Key Club because I believe it fundamentally. Goals I have while in this position revolve around the premise of connectivity. I will create frequent events and meetings between Key Clubs in the Madison area; not only to increase communication, but

also to collaborate on tackling local issues. I will strive to ensure all high schools in my division have the resources and connections they need. I will take any position that will allow me to achieve that goal.

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**NAME:** Naureen Kamal

**SCHOOL/CLUB:** Brookfield Central High School

**DIVISION:** 8

**WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES/CLUBS/SPORTS DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN?**

National Honor Society, Student Council, Brookfield Central TYRO, HOSA, DECA, Forensics

**PLATFORM:**

Hello Key Clubbers! My name is Naureen Kamal and I am running for the position of Lieutenant Governor. My passion for Key Club has only grown since I began freshman year and I hope to spread my passion for service and use my skills to help others. I will utilize my experience in service and leadership in order to best support Key Club. I have ample experience in leadership, specifically in promoting chapter growth, increasing communication, and supporting members. If elected, I promise to support Key Club members to the best of my ability and maintain the standards set in place by previous Lieutenant Governors. My goals for the coming term include increasing visibility and engagement for all chapters in Division 8. I will also create resources for both developing and existing chapters to promote the practice of service and encourage communication between chapters, in order to create a unified division. Thank you!

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**NAME:** Pavan Yilayavilli

**SCHOOL/CLUB:** Brookfield Central Key Club

**DIVISION:** 8

**WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES/CLUBS/SPORTS DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN?**

Varsity Tennis and Volleyball, FTC Robotics, Hosa Club, Band

**PLATFORM:**

I am interested in serving in the position of LTG because I want to make an impact and make Wisconsin Upper Michigan Key Club the best it can be. With me, as an LTG I'll be able to do all the tasks an LTG is required to do and complete each task on time with quality submissions. My goals as an LTG would be to effectively communicate how my division is keeping up and help them with anything they need so that they can form a bigger division and grow WIUM District Key Club. Another reason why I am interested in serving as LTG is that currently, I am a Brookfield Central Key Club Exec Board member and enjoy my leadership role. Since I am so passionate, I want to step up and take the role of LTG to further my leadership opportunities and learn skills that won't be learned in a classroom at school. If elected, I will be sure to keep up with deadlines, be open to accepting other people's opinions and ideas, and put the utmost effort into all work done for WIUM Key Club.

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**NAME:** Jessica Lanza

**SCHOOL/CLUB:** Brookfield Central High School

**DIVISION:** 8

**WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES/CLUBS/SPORTS DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN?**

At Brookfield Central High School, I enjoy playing on the girls golf team during the fall season, and also participating in the ski and snowboarding club during the winter. At school, I am also profusely involved in both the Spanish Honors Society, National Honor Society, as well as being on the executive board for our Key Club.

During 4 weeks of the summer I take pride in being a part of the Camp Minikani Leadership Training Program, in which I am a counselor in training and work with kids. After school most days of the week I also work at Welkes House of Roses.

**PLATFORM:**

I am running for the position of Lieutenant Governor because I am interested in experiencing Key Club from different perspectives while also pursuing leadership and service, two things in which I am very passionate about. The Key Club at my High School has provided me with so many positive opportunities and experiences that have encouraged me to seek deeper involvement with the Kiwanis Organization, and to continue my love for service. This is why I am interested in serving as a Lieutenant Governor. I believe my strong determination, organization, and communication skills can bring a lot to the Key Clubs in my district. Some goals I have in mind include having better communication between school Key Clubs, and having more multi-school service opportunities to give clubs opportunities to interact with each other and share service or fundraiser opportunities and events. I think this is important as school clubs don't work together much, and integration between clubs would allow for greater participation and positive effects on the community. Obviously COVID-19 is a factor to take into account, but virtual opportunities and meetings can make this possible.

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**NAME:** Rebecca Rubenstein

**SCHOOL/CLUB:** Brookfield Central Key Club

**DIVISION:** 8

**WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES/CLUBS/SPORTS DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN?**

Throughout the year I participate in a variety of clubs such as PAWS, Key Club, Key Club Executive Board, BEAST Robotics, and Marching Band. I am also a part of the Brookfield Central Varsity Dance team. Some activities I am a part of outside of school are flute and piano lessons.

**PLATFORM:**

I am interested in serving as the Divisional Lieutenant Governor because I want to help Wisconsin-Upper Michigan Key Club District not only continue to excel, but I want to have a part in helping the District continue to see growth. Although seeing the success of the Key Club District holds importance to me, I also want to make an impact on the communities in the Wisconsin-Upper Michigan Districts. Increasing the quality of the Key Club organization would result in clubs being able to better support and give back to their communities. My overall goal as a Divisional Lieutenant Governor is to fulfill all of my responsibilities to the best of my ability in order to provide a division with the support and resources needed to grow and prosper. I plan to accomplish these changes by writing highly detailed divisional reports, if requested, to make sure the division has been fairly represented and any issues would be addressed. I would also provide all club officers with training to enhance their club's success, as the success of an organization rests on the shoulders of the leaders. My overarching goal as the Divisional Lieutenant Governor would be to improve communication by providing informative and thorough letters, presentations, or other forms of announcements, to make sure the division is as successful as possible, and subsequently enhance their contributions to their community as a Key Club organization.

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**NAME:** Madie Renier

**SCHOOL/CLUB:** De Pere High Key Club

**DIVISION:** 10A

**WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES/CLUBS/SPORTS DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN?**

I currently am a barista and server at Alpha Delights. I also play violin in my school orchestra and help in my local Girl Scout council. I also achieved a silver award through Girl Scouts. I am a student representative in my school's student council and I'm our school's JV tennis captain. I also really enjoy writing and participating in state writing contests.

**PLATFORM:**

I'm interested in this position because I want to take on a leadership role and gain new experiences. In addition, serving as an LTG would allow me to be more influential in real social issues and community needs. Through volunteering with Key Club and serving on Student Council, I have helped individuals within and outside of my school. I have seen the positive impact it has on these people, even if it just provides a small act of service and a smile. By helping my local Girl Scout council and working at a women-run local business, I have been able to plan and help run camps and events for people in my community. Using this experience, I can effectively aid Key Clubs in a division with improving and organizing their performance. If I were elected, I would like to help restore and strengthen inactive clubs because this could enhance communities throughout our district. Rebuilding these clubs would strengthen the reputation of students and schools in their respective communities. Serving as an LTG, I could promote building leadership skills and character in the students involved in my division's clubs. This would aid them in their future careers and other ventures and encourage them to create positive change in their schools and communities. I believe service is essential to ensure the wellbeing of your community and strong Key Clubs can provide that assurance in each community.

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**NAME:** Amara Neal

**SCHOOL/CLUB:** Fond du Lac High School/Fondy High Key Club

**DIVISION:** 12

**WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES/CLUBS/SPORTS DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN?**

Youth Leadership Fond du Lac, Women in Leadership, Forensics Speech, STAAND (Students Taking Action Against Negative Decisions), Math Team, FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America), and Youth Apprenticeship.

**PLATFORM:**

As a proud key club member, I'm very excited for the opportunity to connect with different schools, their officers, and their members. However, I'm even more excited to be a part of getting all those different schools, officers, and members connected to each other. As a key club member, you are already serving as a pillar of your community; dedicating yourself and your time to volunteer work. But think about all the other communities that surround you, here at DCON we can get a better sense than anywhere else about how vast key clubs truly are. Not only does working with other clubs give you an opportunity to help other communities, it also gives your club the chance to learn and improve upon itself. As your lieutenant governor I want to give every club the opportunity to meet, learn, teach, and even make some new friends with their fellow key clubs. Working together, we can all better serve our community.

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