

## October Board Meeting Minutes Hampton Inn & Suites, Staten Island, NY October 15, 2016

Board members checked in with Recording Secretary, Sue Mager.

President Theresa Fazzolari welcomed all and reported that the Parliamentarian for this meeting was Margherita Clemento, Timekeeper: Carolyn Fazzolari, Pages: Jill Bowers & Diane Seridge, and acting Credentials Chair was Registration Chair, Linda Provo who gave the registration report showing 38 attendees as of 10:30 am.

Secretary Mager reported that 16 Board members were present.

President Fazzolari declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order.

President Fazzolari called on President Elect Debra Carlin to report on the October 1<sup>st</sup> election of the Region and Assistant Region Directors from Region 3. The President ratified the election of Debbie Speer-Director and Janet Carey-Assistant Director.

Adoption of the Agenda: Debra Carlin moved that the agenda be approved with the understanding the President is empowered to make further changes if needed. Motion was seconded, and the agenda adopted.

Adoption of Standing Rules: The assembly did not wish for Parliamentarian Margherita Clemento to read the rules. Hearing no objections, the rules of the Board Meeting were adopted.

Secretary report: Susan Mager read the actions of the Executive Committee since the Post Conference Board Meeting for informational purposes. Board members were instructed to make the following changes to the June 5<sup>th</sup> 2016 Post Conference Board meeting: Under the Vice President's report change "Strategic Planning" to "Task Force", change the Fall Board meeting date from October 8 to October 16, and add "Communications" liaison to Theresa Fazzolari's name in her report on the committee liaisons assignments. A motion to approve the corrected June 5<sup>th</sup> Minutes made by Linda Przepasniak was seconded by Debra Carlin and carried.

Treasurer's Report: Mary Stelley presented the Profit & Loss Budget Performance on accrual basis July through September 2016 showing total income of \$7,846.69, expenses of \$3,069.16 with net income of \$4777.53 Report will be filed for audit.

Vice President, Robin Bridson: reported the task force is getting started with the purpose of looking at Members at Large under Membership, Bylaws, and the layout of the Regions.

President-Elect, Debra Carlin: reported the Leadership Directory is up to date and the Region 3 RD & ARD information would be updated. If Chapters or Regions would like a state rep to

attend a meeting, please contact her, and she is looking for members to join her Leadership Team next year.



President-Elect Carlin assumed the Chair for the purpose of the Presidents report.

President's Report: Theresa Fazzolari reported that this is the year of the members. Goals are to chair monthly Executive meetings, work with the State committee chairs to promote our organization, work with P.E. Debra Carlin to re-energize Region 3, and reach out to Members at Large. The June conference will be held Binghamton and will focus on recognizing the Chapters with the President's Award. The award will be based on a revised point system and information will be posted on the website. Stating that communication is important, she reminded attendees to answer emails and post Chapter events on the website and Facebook. She asked for a volunteer to fill the position of PPD Chair, as the Chair has resigned.

Debra Carlin asked the President to resume the Chair.

## Committee Reports:

Bylaws-Neale Steiniger reported that since June 7 Chapters still need to update their Bylaws, 1 Chapter was completed and 3 Chapters are working closely with Margherita Clemento. She presented a motion she will bring under new business addressing the Region and State voting procedure.

Nike-Reminder to submit Chapter and Region news and photos before the deadlines of Sept 15, Oct. 15, Feb. 15 and Mar. 15<sup>th</sup>. All Star listings since June have raised \$1077.00.

Legislation-Joann Olbrich distributed report copies that included our Legislative Platform. Supreme Court nominations will increase after the election and Chapter Presidents should distribute our legislative platform and encourage checking local elected officials voting records.

Nominating Committee/Membership: Linda Przepasniak reported candidates for office must be members in good standing and publicly support our Legislative platform. The 2016-17 Membership Challenge was distributed. Chapter participation will be recognized at Conference.

IPSP: The President reported that Renee Cerullo sent a report that Marketing committee has been utilizing the St. Bonaventure interns to work with shrinking Chapters. 12 Chapters have completed the incorporation process and 2 Chapters are in the process of completion.

Regional Board members gave verbal reports on goals, actions and plans for the regions.

Athena Society-Gale Cohen will be emailing Chapter Presidents to encourage Chapter participation for recognition at the June Conference.

State Fair-Pat Fergerson reported that 30 plus members are expected to attend Women's Day at the Fair this year. In 2020 on Women's Equality Day, the fair will celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the passage of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment granting women the right to vote.



New Careerist-Marilyn Iengo will solicit candidates; her goal is participation of one candidate from each Chapter.

Women in Business Month-President Fazzolari reported information has been updated on the website and Chapters and Regions who submit for the Public Relations award will be recognized at Conference

Unfinished Business: none

New Business:

Bylaws Chair, Neale Steinger, proposed a motion to change Article VIII Regional Organization, and Article XI elections that would change the method of voting from Ballot to Voice or Acclamation. Upon discussion, the maker of the motion withdrew it, and a motion made by Ramona Gallagher, seconded by Linda Winson carried:

01-BD-2016-17 The proposed Article VIII and XI Elections be referred back to the Bylaws committee for further study and clarification.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, President Fazzolari adjourned the meeting.

Prepared by Susan Mager, Secretary

Date approved: