



**GOVERNING BOARD/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
**September 11, 2009- Hyatt Regency Reunion Hotel, Dallas, TX**

I. Called to order by President Sandra Hunt at 7:38 a.m.

II. Invocation by Virginia Grace, Houston Chapter.

III. Pledge of Allegiance led by Kim Raine, Collin County Chapter

IV. Inspiration by Kenya Burrell-Van Wormer.

V. Introductions by President Sandra Hunt.

VI. Roll Call by Sharon Eddings, Secretary. Quorum present with 43 responding at roll call for Governing Board. Membership quorum with 89 members present.

VII. Approval of Agenda as presented.

VIII. Minutes from February 2009 meeting filed as presented to Minutes Committee.

IX. Financial Report given by VaLois Hounsel, Treasurer. Copy attached.

Three (3) budget items were ratified:

- 1) The increase to budget line #5095- Community Leadership Award for \$67.66.
- 2) The increase to budget line #6041- Ways & Means Services for \$550.
- 3) The increase to budget line #6085- Federal Taxes for \$172.

**Motion made** to transfer \$1,047.66 from General Reserve to the even year checking account to correct the transfer made at the end of 2008 and return the account to the required \$3,500 minimum. **Motion passed.**

X. Approval of 2010 Budget- **Motion made** by Sylvia Seabolt to approve 2010 budget as presented. **Motion passed.**

XI. Nominating Report given by Mary Ann Jeffers, copy attached. Slate of Officers presented: President-elect, Sharon Eddings; Secretary, VaLois Hounsel; Treasurer, Sherry Hartford. The slated candidate for Treasurer withdrew; therefore, Nominating Committee asked permission to indicate their recommendation to fill the Treasurer position. Request approved by President Sandra Hunt. Jim Dambeck recommended for Treasurer.

Governors: Michelle Murray, Cindie Stewart, Sylvia Seabolt. Chair announced that one slated candidate withdrew, leaving one position for Governor vacant.

Texas District Vice Presidents: Lois Malone, DeDe Galindo, Patti St. Louis. Chair announced that one slated candidate withdrew, leaving one position for TDVP vacant.

**Chair moved** to set aside the Standing Rules Article II B- Elections- Governors qualifications Item #1, "have held membership in WCR Chapter for at least three years", set aside for this meeting only.

Rebecca Carlson **moved to amend** the motion to read that we set aside all the rules. **Motion seconded.**

Linda Sheinall **moved to amend**, to set aside qualification for the positions of Governor and TDVP only.  
**Seconded and approved.**

Chair reported resignation of Governor for Area C. Nominating Committee recommended Cindie Stewart to fill that position for the remainder of 2009. Approved.

Chair reported resignation of Governor for Area D. Nominating Committee recommended Sylvia Seabolt to fill that position for the remainder of 2009. Approved.

XII. Credentials Report- Chair Jennifer Stroh reported 75 weighted votes with 47 delegates present.

XIII. Election of 2010 Officers- Deborah Spangler, Houston 1960 Chapter will automatically become President. The slated candidate for President-elect is Sharon Eddings. Miracle Bennett, LCP for SW Dallas Chapter nominated VaLois Housel from the floor. Sharon Eddings, Montgomery County Chapter, was elected as President-elect. Weighted vote count 44-24.

The slated candidate for Secretary is VaLois Housel. JoAnne Stevens, Past State President, nominated Barb Cooper from the floor. VaLois Housel, SW Dallas Chapter was elected as Secretary. Weighted vote count 39-29.

The slated candidate for Treasurer withdrew, leaving the position vacant. Mary Parker, Past State President nominated Jim Dambeck from the floor. Jim Dambeck, Greater West Houston Chapter, was elected as Treasurer.

Slated candidates for Governor were: Sylvia Seabolt, Dallas Metro East Chapter; Michelle Murray, Houston 1960 Chapter; Cindie Stewart, NE Tarrant County Chapter. Bette Gerhold withdrew, leaving one position vacant. Becky Hill, Past State President & 2009 National President, nominated David Burton, Austin Chapter. All candidates were elected as Governor.

Slated candidates for Texas District Vice President were: Lois Malone, Houston 1960 Chapter; DeDe Galindo, NE Tarrant County Chapter; Patti St. Louis, Montgomery County Chapter. Carol Reynolds, Past State President, nominated DJ Mora, El Paso Del Norte Chapter from the floor. All candidates were elected as TDVP.

XIV. Election of 2010 Nominating Committee:

- A. Governing Board Members: Vicki Palmer, Fort Bend Chapter (22 votes)  
Alternate: DeDe Galindo, NE Tarrant County Chapter (29 votes)
- B. General Membership Members: Linda Sheinall, Bay Area Chapter (20 votes), Virginia Grace, Houston Chapter (19 votes), Sharon Morton, Greater West Houston Chapter (18 votes)  
Alternates: Florence Terrell, San Antonio Chapter (19 votes), Vonda Harden, Fort Worth Chapter, (19 votes)
- C. Past President: Carolyn Sutherlin, Abilene Chapter
- D. Local Chapter President appointed: Trudy Pape, San Antonio Chapter

XV. Election of 2010 Strategic Planning Committee:

- A. Governing Board Members: Carol Reynolds, El Paso Del Norte Chapter, Tom Gallagher, Lake Houston Chapter, Mary Parker, Greater West Houston Chapter
- B. General Membership Members: Missy Stagers, San Antonio Chapter (52 votes), Susanna Boyer, Austin Chapter (31 votes)
- C. Local Chapter President appointed: Sharon Morton, Greater West Houston Chapter

XVI. Officers Reports:

Governor Area A, Jim Dambeck: Verbal report given, written report attached.

Governor Area B, Michelle Murray: Verbal report given, written report attached.

Governor Area C: No report given or received.

Governor Area D: Verbal report given by Sharon Eddings, Secretary, written report attached.

Regional Vice President: Report given by Mary Ann Jeffers, written report attached.

#### XVII. Standing Committee Reports:

A. Bylaws/Standing Rules: Report given by Chair Florence Drake, written report attached.

**Motion from committee** made to change Standing Rules Section IV. Installation of Officers, B. President's Pin to read "\$700." **Motion passed.**

**Motion from committee** made to change Standing Rules Section V. Duties, A. 4. Treasurer, to add under i. "and provides copy of account statements upon receipt to the Investment Committee Chair." **Motion passed.**

**Motion from committee** made to change Standing Rules Section V.A.6. Texas District Vice President, f, to add, "and will prepare and send membership reports each quarter to the Executive Board." **Motion passed.**

**Motion from committee** made to change Standing Rules Section V. Duties, B. Executive Committee, 5., to add, "with the approval of the Governing Board." **Motion passed.**

**Motion from committee** made to change Standing Rules Section VII. Reimbursements, B. 2. Governors, to change percentage amount under a. to "(20%)", to add to b., "including the Membership Orientation.", to change percentage amount under c. to "(20%)", to change percentage amount under d. to "(20%)", and to add e. "Submit written quarterly reports to the State Executive Committee (20%)." **Motion passed.**

**Motion from committee** to change Standing Rules Section VII, B. 3. Texas District Vice Presidents, to change percentage amount under a. to "(25%)", to add to b., "and Regional Meeting", and to change percentage amount to "(30%)", to change percentage amount under c. to "(25%)", and to delete e. Motion amended under b. to read Regional "Conference". **Motion passed.**

**Motion from committee** to change Standing Rules V. E. 6. to change Business Woman of the Year wording to Entrepreneur of the Year. **Motion passed.**

B. Education Committee: Report given by chair Sharon Morton, written report attached.

C. Finance and Budget Committee: Report given by chair Lucy Jurek, written report attached.

**Motion from committee** to amend Standing Rules 3.A.8. for the year 2009, reducing budgeted amount of \$10,000 to \$8,000. **Motion passed.**

D. Marketing Committee: Report given by chair Michelle Murray, written report attached.

E. Membership Committee: Report given by chair Susanna Boyer, written report attached.

F. National Focus Committee: Report given by chair Carol Reynolds, written report attached.

**Motion from committee** to change Standing Rules II., adding "D. Waiver of Qualifications, At the discretion of the Nominating Committee, recommendations to set aside qualifications may be brought to the Governing Board for approval." **Motion passed.**

G. Strategic Planning Committee: Report given by chair Linda Sheinall, written report attached.

#### XVII. Special Committee Reports

A. Affiliates Committee: Report given by chair Patti St. Louis, written report attached.

B. Affiliate of the Year Committee: Report given by chair Patti St. Louis, written report attached.

C. Chapter Recognition Committee: Report given by chair Barbara Shrader, written report attached.

**Motion from committee** to change the Standing Rules V. E. 12, Chapter Recognition, c. and d. to, "B. Community Leadership Award- Committee to choose four (4) leaders to spotlight, one each

quarter, in the newsletter and website. No monetary award to be given. Announcement and congratulations to be given at State meeting in February. **Motion passed.**

- D. Entrepreneur of the Year Committee: Report given by chair Mary Ann Jeffers, written report attached.
- E. Hospitality Committee: Report given by chair Ethel O'Dell, written report attached.
- F. Investments Committee: Report given by chair Carolyn Sutherlin, written report attached.  
**Motion from committee** to "Realign monies in State National Future Leadership Fund as follows: Maintain minimum balance of \$1,000 in Business Draft account and invest \$16,000 in 1-year Certificate of Deposit (CD) with Texas Association of Professionals Federal Credit Union (TAPFCU) in San Antonio. Remaining monies (approximately \$7,500+) in Regular Shares account to be transferred by Treasurer to Business Draft checking account as needed." **Motion passed.**  
**Motion from committee** to "Invest \$10,000 in a 2-year Certificate of Deposit with TAPFCU in San Antonio. Note: TAPFCU to provide written disclosure stating early withdrawal will not incur any penalty." **Motion passed.**  
**Motion from committee** to "Re-invest balance of General Reserve Certificate of Deposit maturing 12/3/09 plus appropriate amount from Regular Shares to total \$20,000 in a new 2-year CD with TAPFCU in San Antonio." **Motion passed.**  
**Motion from committee** to "Invest \$50,000 from General Reserve Fund in 1-\$25,000 2-year Certificate of Deposit and 1-\$25,000 3-year CD, no later than 12/31/09 in institution providing best rate of return, as determined by Investment Committee Chair and Vice-Chair and 2009 Executive Committee." **Motion passed.**
- G. Member of the Year Committee: Report given by chair Mary Parker, written report attached.
- H. Newsletter Committee: Report given by chair Trudy Pape, written report attached.
- I. Orientation Committee: Report given by Deborah Spangler, written report attached.
- J. Past Presidents Committee: Report given by chair Mary Parker, written report attached.  
**Motion from committee** to change the Standing Rules Section VI a. to "Budgeted travel expenses will include registration, transportation, room based on double occupancy and ticketed meals for WCR events only." **Motion passed.**
- K. Strategic Partners Committee: Report given by chair Sharon Morton, written report attached.
- L. Technology Committee: Report given by chair Cindie Stewart, written report attached.
- M. Ways and Means Committee: Report given by chair Cindie Stewart, written report attached.

XIX. Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.