



## GOVERNING BOARD/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES September 8, 2012 – Hyatt Regency, San Antonio, TX

I. Called to order by President Elect Sylvia Seabolt at 7:30 a.m.

II. Invocation by Nancy Garcia, Dallas Chapter.

Pledges led by Cindy Cox, San Antonio Chapter.

Inspiration by Marty Chrisman, Hill Country Chapter.

III. Introductions by President Elect Sylvia Seabolt.

IV. Roll Call by Patti St. Louis, Secretary. Quorum present with 42 responding at roll call for Governing Board.

V. Approval of Agenda as presented. Copy attached.

VI. Minutes of the February meeting were accepted as approved by the 2012 Minutes Review Committee.

VII. 2012 Financial Report presented by Sharon Morton, 2012 Treasurer. Copy attached.

**Motion made** by Sharon Morton to accept the amended budget as presented. **Motion passed.**

**Motion made** by Sharon Morton to transfer up to \$15,000.00 from General Reserves into the 2012 checking account, if needed. **Motion passed 65 for and 3 against.**

VIII. Approval of 2013 Budget

**Motion made** by Diane Lauer to accept the 2013 Budget as proposed. **Motion passed.**

IX. Nominating Committee Report presented by Sharon Eddings. Copy attached.

Slate of Officers: President Elect, Patti St. Louis; Secretary, Sharon Morton; Treasurer, Dawn Lavka, Governors – Nikki Fulks, Holly Kincaid and Ethel O'Dell. District Vice Presidents – Marty Chrisman, Cindy Cox, Tom Gallagher, Nancy Garcia, Robby Valadez and Sydney Miller.

X. Credentials Report presented by Kayla Webb: 46 Delegates casting 55 Weighted Votes and 38 General Members present representing 96% of the total number of Local Chapters.

XI. Election of 2013 Officers

President – Sylvia Seabolt, Dallas Metro East Chapter, will automatically become President.

President Elect – Sharon Morton was nominated from the floor. With vote counts: Sharon Morton (36) and Patti St. Louis (18), Sharon Morton, Greater West Houston Chapter, was elected.

Secretary – Having been elected as President Elect, Sharon Morton's name was withdrawn. Holly Kincaid and Patti St. Louis were nominated from the floor. Nomination was declined by Patti St. Louis. Holly Kincaid, Dallas Chapter, was elected.

Treasurer – Dawn Lavka, Highland Lakes Chapter, was elected.

Governors – Having been elected as Secretary, Holly Kincaid's name was withdrawn. Robby Valadez, Cindy Cox, and Marty Chrisman were nominated from the floor.

For the first of three positions, with votes counts: Nikki Fulks (8), Ethel O'Dell (11), Robby Valadez (11), Cindy Cox (9) and Marty Chrisman (15), a runoff resulted between Ethel O'Dell (16), Robby Valadez (19) and Marty Chrisman (19), resulting in a second runoff between Robby Valadez (30) and Marty Chrisman (24). Robby Valadez, McAllen Chapter, was elected.

For the second of three positions, with vote counts: Nikki Fulks (11), Ethel O'Dell (16), Cindy Cox (9) and Marty Chrisman (18), a runoff resulted between Ethel O'Dell (25) and Marty Chrisman (29). Marty Chrisman, Hill Country Chapter, was elected.

For the third of three positions, with vote counts: Nikki Fulks (14), Ethel O'Dell (25) and Cindy Cox (14), a revote resulted with votes counts Nikki Fulks (13), Ethel O'Dell (28) and Cindy Cox (12). Ethel O'Dell, Montgomery County Chapter, was elected.

District Vice Presidents – Having been elected as Governors, Marty Chrisman's and Robby Valadez' names were withdrawn. Velma De Los Santos, Rodney Rowan and Nikki Fulks were nominated from the floor. Nominations were declined by Rodney Rowan and Nikki Fulks. Cindy Cox, San Antonio Chapter, Tom Gallagher, Lake Houston Chapter, Nancy Garcia, Dallas Chapter, Sydney Miller, Hill Country Chapter, and Velma De Los Santos, Brownsville Chapter, were elected. The remaining position will be filled by appointment.

## XII. Election of 2013 Nominating Committee

Past Presidents – Florence Terrell, San Antonio Chapter. Becky Hill, Houston 1960 Chapter, will serve as alternate.

Governing Board Member – Cathy Mitchell and Nikki Fulks were nominated. With vote counts: Cathy Mitchell (26) and Nikki Fulks (17), Cathy Mitchell, Dallas Chapter, was elected.

General Membership Members – Diane Lauer, San Antonio Chapter, Jane Marie Hurst, Highland Lakes Chapter, and Nikki Fulks, El Paso Del Norte Chapter, were nominated and elected.

Governing Board Alternate – Cheryl Jenkins and Lora Tomlinson were nominated. With vote counts: Cheryl Jenkins (31) and Lora Tomlinson (12), Cheryl Jenkins, Austin Chapter, was elected.

General Membership Alternates – Donna Fremin, Lora Tomlinson, Ryan Bokros and Sheila Moran were nominated.

For the first of two positions, with vote counts: Donna Fremin (16), Lora Tomlinson (7), Ryan Bokros (33) and Sheila Moran (20), a runoff resulted between Ryan Bokros (44) and Sheila Moran (38). Ryan Bokros, Bay Area Houston Chapter, was elected.

For the second of two positions, with vote counts: Donna Fremin (16), Lora Tomlinson (13) and Sheila Moran (56), Sheila Moran, San Antonio Chapter, was elected.

## XIII. Election of 2013 Strategic Planning Committee

Presidential Appointment – Angela Ochoa

Governing Board Members – Sandra Hunt, Cathy Mitchell, Paty Arriaga, Linda Sheinall and Patti St. Louis were nominated.

For the first of three positions, with vote counts: Sandra Hunt (4), Cathy Mitchell (7), Paty Arriaga (9), Linda Sheinall (4) and Patti St. Louis (12), a runoff resulted between Paty Arriaga (16) and Patti St. Louis (23). Patti St. Louis, Montgomery County Chapter, was elected.

For the second of three positions, with vote counts: Sandra Hunt (6), Cathy Mitchell (10), Paty Arriaga (16) and Linda Sheinall (8), a runoff resulted between Cathy Mitchell (16) and Paty Arriaga (24). Paty Arriaga, McAllen Chapter, was elected.

For the third of three positions, with vote counts: Sandra Hunt (9), Cathy Mitchell (21) and Linda Sheinall (8), Cathy Mitchell, Dallas Chapter, was elected.

General Membership Members – Tanya Endicott, Amy Kobza, Pat Farrell, Donna Fremin, Susan Mack and Maggie Polo were nominated.

For the first of two positions, with vote counts: Tanya Endicott (9), Amy Kobza (3), Pat Farrell (14), Donna Fremin (13), Susan Mack (18) and Maggie Polo (16), a runoff of resulted between Susan Mack (40) and Maggie Polo (35). Susan Mack, Montgomery County Chapter, was elected.

For the second of two positions, with vote counts: Tanya Endicott (9), Amy Kobza (6), Pat Farrell (17), Donna Fremin (16) and Maggie Polo (29), a runoff resulted between Pat Farrell (37) and Maggie Polo (42). Maggie Polo, Bay Area Houston Chapter, was elected.

#### XIV. Officer Reports

- A. President – VaLois Housel: Verbal report given by Sylvia Seabolt, written report attached.
- B. President Elect – Sylvia Seabolt: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- C. Secretary – Patti St. Louis: Verbal report given, written report attached.  
**Motion made** by Patti St. Louis to amend the Standing Rules as presented from the Executive Committee via email on August 30, 2012. **Motion passed.**
- D. Treasurer – Sharon Morton: No further report.
- E. Past President – Sharon Eddings: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- F. Governors
  - Area A – Dawn Lavka: Verbal report given, written report attached.
  - Area B – Holly Kincaid: Verbal report given, written report attached.
  - Area C – Lois Malone: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- G. Texas District Vice Presidents
  - Area A District I – Nikki Fulks: Verbal report given, written report attached.
  - Area A District II – Robby Valadez: Verbal report given, written report attached.
  - Area B District III – Cathy Mitchell: Verbal report given, written report attached.
  - Area B District IV – Cheryl Jenkins: Verbal report given, written report attached.
  - Area C District V – Sydney Miller: Report unavailable.
  - Area C District VI – Barbara Shrader - Verbal report given, written report attached.

#### XV. Standing Committee Reports

- A. Bylaws – Lois Malone: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- B. Education – Nikki Fulks: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- C. Finance and Budget – Dawn Lavka: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- D. Marketing – Cindy Cox: Verbal report given, written report attached.  
**Motion made** by Cindy Cox to amend the Standing Rules Section V. Duties D. Standing Committees 6. Marketing to read: “Develop and/or edit marketing pieces, templates and/or flyers at the direction from Executive” and strike current wording from Standing Rules. **Motion passed.**
- E. Membership – Cathy Mitchell: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- F. National Focus – Sandra Hunt: Verbal report given, written report attached.  
**Motion made** by Sandra Hunt to amend the Standing Rules as presented from the National Focus Committee via email on August 30, 2012 and revised. **Motion passed.**
- G. Strategic Planning – Sharon Eddings: Verbal report given, written report attached.  
**Motion made** by Sharon Eddings to accept the Strategic Framework and 2013-2015 Strategic Plan as presented via email on August 30, 2012. **Motion passed.**

#### XVI. Special Committee Reports

- A. Affiliate Development – Anita Farrell: Verbal report given, written report attached.  
**Motion made** by Anita Farrell to add to the Standing Rules V, E, 16 Affiliate Development Committee Implements the distribution of information to the membership on how to create greater exposure for Affiliates, and to create an affiliate directory for distribution through newsletter and website. **Motion passed.**

- B. Affiliate Member – Sally Singley: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- C. Chapter Recognition – Mary Papageorge: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- D. Chapter Assistance Training Team – Sandra Hunt: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- E. Credentials – Kayla Webb: Verbal report given, written report attached.  
**Motion made** by Kayla Webb for permission to destroy the election ballots at the conclusion of this meeting. **Motion passed.**
- F. Entrepreneur of the Year – Sharon Eddings: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- G. Hospitality – Mary Papageorge on behalf of Sydney Miller: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- H. Investments – Donna Fremin: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- I. Legacy Task Force – Deborah Spangler: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- J. Member of the Year – Carolyn Wyckoff: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- K. Newsletter – Chris Rodriguez: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- L. Past Presidents – Mary Ann Jeffers: Verbal report given, written report attached.  
**Motion made** by Mary Ann Jeffers that all Executive Officers will travel to the upcoming 2012 WCR Conference at their own expense. However any monies already paid on their behalf for that meeting by State will not have to be reimbursed. **Motion passed.**
- M. Strategic Partners – Holly Kincaid: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- N. Technology – Isaac Mahone on behalf of Rosanna Hudson: Verbal report given, written report attached.
- O. Ways and Means – Sally Singley: Verbal report given, written report attached.

XVII. Announcements

50/50 ticket sales totaled \$486.00. Sheila Moran won \$243.

Melissa Zimbelman, Las Vegas Chapter and Slated Candidate for 2013 National Financial Secretary, was introduced and addressed the members.

Multiple Local Chapters announced upcoming events.

XVIII. Next meeting February 8, 2013, TAR Winter Meeting, Austin, TX.

XIX. Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Patti St. Louis