

**SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION NINETY-NINES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OCTOBER 25, 2019
ABILENE, TEXAS**

The Board of Directors of the South Central Section of The Ninety-Nines met at the Hilton Garden Inn in Abilene, Texas on October 25, 2019. Governor Gretchen Jahn called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. The Board of Directors and guests were introduced. Elizabeth Franskowski was unable to be present.

Vice-Governor Monica Randolph-Graham made the motion to approve the Spring Board of Directors' meeting minutes and it was seconded by Governor Gretchen Jahn.

Linda Horn and Jerry Anne Jurenka were appointed as the Minutes Review Committee for the Fall Board of Directors' Meeting minutes and the Fall Business Meeting.

Heather Hodge joined the meeting via cell speaker phone.

Reni Baker and Aileen Hummel reported they have sent approximately 80 email reminders to lapsed members to rejoin.

Vice-Governor Monica Randolph-Graham shared the Section Meeting rotation schedule. The Dallas Chapter will host the Spring 2020 Section Meeting and the Tip of Texas Chapter will host the Fall 2020 Section Meeting. The rotation schedule for 2020 through 2034 is on the South Central Section website.

Heather Hodge, the *Approach* editor, stated the deadline for submissions is March 1 and will be published on March 15. The *Approach* is undergoing a facelift and content is needed from chapters. They are encouraged to send newsletters and articles of interest.

Reni Baker and Aileen Hummel will continue to submit information for the *Approach Lite*.

Sue Osborne gave the Nominations Report. Nominees for Board and Nominating Committee are Monica Randolph-Graham for Governor, Laurie Peak for Vice-Governor, Aileen Hummel for Treasurer, and Kathy Clark for Secretary. Kathy Spahr, Sandra Leder and Stephanie Wells names were put forward to possible run for Directors or Nominating Committee. Nominee names with pictures and positions will be published in the *Approach*.

The South Central Section will begin using Google Groups for emails. This is a work in progress and emails will be sent to email addresses as shown in The Ninety-Nines Membership Directory. The Colorado and Pikes Peak Chapters have offered to help with Google Groups and Heather Hodge is making training videos. Photos and chapter activities are needed for Facebook.

The Board of Directors will identify issues that need to be addressed and follow up to learn when they are resolved.

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Governor Gretchen Jahn received reports for the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum, the Forest of Friendship, the Endowment Fund, the 501(c)(3) tax-exemption, and the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund. The submitted Committee Reports will be read at the Business Meeting by volunteers for those unable to attend.

Old Business

There is a need to create Awards which Mary Latimer will consider chairing and be assisted by Stephenie Roberts. Martha Molina sent ideas and criteria for twelve possible awards.

Records retention and scanning of select South Central Section documents will be determined and sent to Headquarters in Oklahoma City. Elizabeth Franskowski will send the Financial Reports. Camelia Smith and Kris Irvin-Herron are to review remaining documents.

The Action Items List is reviewed by the Board of Directors on a conference call one month prior to Section Meetings and one month after.

A post section meeting fill-in report with data and tools to assist hosting sections with planning will be posted on the website.

Mary Latimer brought name tags from the Spring 2019 Section Meeting to be given to the Dallas Chapter for the Spring 2020 Section Meeting.

Elizabeth Franskowski will work with chapters hosting a Section Meeting to accept online payments.

The new webmaster, Heather Hodge, discussed the design of the website, implementing Google for non-profit training videos to upload to Google Drive, and the transition from Linda Horn to her.

Monetary donations for funding a Section Meeting were discussed and it was recommended hosting chapters contact local Chambers of Commerce and Tourism Bureaus for contributions.

Everyone is encouraged to view the current website and give input to Heather within three weeks from now. Pros and cons are to be considered regarding information to be public or kept private. Becoming private would require logins and passwords. It was noted there have been no complaints regarding the current website, though if material is not educational it could become an issue. It was suggested there be criteria for pictures and articles. An incident was related that a treasurer from another section received a scam email thought to be from the Governor resulting in a check being sent for a large amount. It was also asked if there would be public Google Drive storage.

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New Business

Though online registration for the next Section Meeting will be available, paper registrations will continue to be accepted. There will also remain the option to receive the *Approach* in paper form. A request was made for a printer friendly version of the *Approach* and the question of being able to edit a registration form.

There was discussion of reasons for and against officers serving more than one term which will be voted on at the Spring Section Meeting. There were questions asked of how to fill an unfilled position, allow current officers to continue to serve and could there be an understudy for Section Officers. There will be more discussion at the Business Meeting.

Mary Latimer volunteered to be the Timekeeper at the Business Meeting.

Stephenie Roberts made a motion to adjourn with a second by Monica Randolph-Graham.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Camelia Smith, Secretary, South Central Section of The Ninety-Nines.

Reviewed by Linda Horn and Jerry Anne Jurenka.