

**The Ninety-Nines, Inc.**  
**International Organization of Women Pilots**  
**South Central Section Spring Business Meeting**  
**Wichita, KS – May 20, 2006**

Section Governor Kris Irvin Herron called the business meeting to order at 8:30 am on Saturday, May 20, 2006. Kay Alley, Kansas Chapter, gave the invocation.

**Introductions**

Vice-Governor Chris Swain introduced Donna Moore, International Secretary; Susan Larson, International Treasurer; and Frances Luckhart, International Director & past SCS Governor; Bonita Ades, past SCS Governor & Museum of Women Pilots trustee; Beverly Cox, Museum of Women Pilots trustee; Kay Alley and Sandra Ridgeway, Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum trustees; Carole Sutton, past SCS Governor & Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum trustee; Jody McCarrell, past International President; and Anna Taylor and Sue Halpain, past SCS Governors. Chris also welcomed all Chapter Chairs and first-time attendees.

**Governors Remarks**

Kris attended the International Board Meeting in March in Oklahoma City. Although our section doesn't have this problem, some sections have chapter members and officers who are not members of International – to be considered a 99 they must belong to our International organization. International is also working on a Chapter Chair Manual. Our section does have a comprehensive chapter chair manual. The Endowment Fund is raising money by selling tickets (1 for \$10 & 3 for \$25) for a 3-day \$2,000 spa package in Tucson, Arizona.

Kris then opened the business portion of the meeting by asking Secretary Diane Rose to call the roll.

Albuquerque - 1	Golden Triangle - 2	Rio Grande Norte – 2
Ambassador - 0	High Country - 1	San Antonio - 3
Arkansas - 2	Houston - 4	Shreveport - 0
Austin - 0	Kansas - 12	Texas Dogwood - 0
Brazos River - 0	Lake Charles - 0	Tip of Texas - 0
Colorado – 5	Nebraska - 5	Tulsa – 2
Dallas – 2	Northeast Kansas – 2	Wichita Falls – 0
El Paso – 1	Oklahoma – 6	Wildflower – 0
Fort Worth – 1	Pikes Peak – 3	At Large – 0
	Purple Sage – 1	

Diane reported 55 members from 18 chapters present, and declared a quorum.

The minutes from the 2005 Fall Section Meeting in Colorado Springs, CO that were posted and distributed were approved as written. The Secretary thanked readers, Linda Horn, Colorado Chapter and Holly Barr, Dallas Chapter, for reading the minutes. Diane appointed Deb Price, Colorado Chapter, and Beverly Stephens, Golden Triangle Chapter, to read the minutes from today's Business Meeting and Phyllis Wells, Pikes Peak Chapter, as the motions person.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Jan McKenzie reported that our dues rebate from International is based on 690 paying members lower than the expected 734 members. The previous number did not include life members, FWPs, emeritus or academic memberships who do not pay yearly dues. 18 Chapters have donated the suggested \$2.00 per member to help defray the cost of printing and mailing the *Approach*, our biggest expense. Under miscellaneous expenses, \$100 was donated to the AE Museum for a brick in honor of Penny White. Our excess operating revenues are \$599.53. Of note are two one-time expenses: a previously approved donation toward repair of the Archive Room floor – \$1,000; and under a Special Projects Fund Request, a \$1,500 loan to the 2007 Conference Planning Committee approved by the Board with a \$5,000 cap. Our current balance in checking is \$463.64. The Money Market account is averaging 4.3% and our 6-month CDs are earning 3.98%. Kris commented that the Board recommends that donations not be made at this time due to our planning expense needs for the 2007 Conference.

## **International Report**

International Secretary, Donna Moore commented on the success of the “99s Fly for Breast Cancer Cure” which has raised \$35,000 for research in two years. The *99 News* is back to six issues per year! Donna thanked the Museum of Women Pilots for their \$10,000 donation to repair the deck and stairs at Headquarters. International is also hoping to reduce flight insurance from \$1.00 to 50 cents per member. Donna then reviewed the proposed International Bylaws changes: Allow the President and Vice-President to run for two consecutive terms, possible new Associate Member category, two or three-year membership renewal options and solve renewal problems, clean up wording in trusts, and website access issues. These issues are listed for review on the International website.

## **International Trust Reports**

### **Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum**

Trustee Carole Sutton updated members on improvements made to the museum: replacement of the heating system and remodeling of the dining room. During the Forest of Friendship, the museum will host an open house on June 17, 2006. The date for the museum festival is July 16, 2006. Bricks are still being sold beginning at \$50. When a new brick is dedicated, the old one will be offered for sale with a picture of the birthplace museum attached to it. International Bylaws changes will allow a three-year term for trustees. Carole reminded us to vote for our trustees at D.C.

### **Museum of Women Pilots**

Trustee Bonita Ades stated that the museum had a very successful past year obtaining donations and receiving grants. Old videos and tapes are still being formatted for CD and DVD preservation. The open house on June 3<sup>rd</sup> will be a media event.

## **2007 International Conference Report**

Conference Chair Jan McKenzie updated members on the progress for the September 12-16, 2007, International Conference being hosted by our section in the Boulder/Denver area. Our Board and the Conference Advisory Committee approved the conference logo and tagline submitted by 99s. The logo is now available on windbreakers for \$27. Jan discussed the conference schedule and proposed tours. The formal invitation to our conference will be presented by our section at the end of the

business meeting in Washington, D.C. Sharon Delay, High Country Chapter, re-wrote the words to "Rocky Mountain High" to be used in the presentation, which members had great fun practicing. After soliciting advice from members Jan, will continue her efforts to put together a Golf Tournament. A preliminary budget for our conference at the International Board Meeting in March was submitted. Flyers were passed out promoting the 2007 Conference. Frontier Airlines will donate two tickets (Continental U.S.) that will be used as a fundraiser.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **ADVISOR REPORTS**

### **Membership**

Governor Kris Irvin-Herron passed out a written membership report from Gloria Blank. Membership is holding steady with 911 members as of May 15, 2006.

### **SCS Webmaster**

Webmaster Linda Horn was unable to be present. Website information is on page 7 of the last *Approach*.

### **Aviation Scholarships**

Rose Lepore reported that out of 12 applicants, six were finalists and four were winners. Natalie Carrao, Colorado Chapter; Becky Hempel, Austin Chapter; Michelle Hovey, Fort Worth Chapter; and Monica Neilsen, Ambassador Chapter. Changes to the 2007 applications will be available on-line. A new category breakdown is available: Flight Training, New Pilot Award (was FWP), Research, Academic, Jet Type-Rating, Technical, and Specialty.

### **International/SCS Bylaws**

Beverly Stephens presented the proposed Section Bylaws and Standing Rules changes to members. A 2/3 vote is needed to pass Bylaws and a majority vote to pass Standing Rules amendments. Proposed Bylaw Amendments #1 and #2 (see attached) were discussed and approved by members. Motion made by Ginny Boylls and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lois Gronau-Fietz. Members discussed proposed Amendments #1-6 to Standing Rules (see attached), with a motion by Phyllis Wells and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Anna Taylor to amend wording to proposed Amendment #3 to Standing Rules #3. Discussion followed with members approving the change to #3. Beverly then called for approval of Amendments #1 thru #6 of the Standing Rules. Members approved a motion made by Sue Halpain & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Poochie Rotzinger to adopt #1 thru #6. Beverly noted that proposed Amendments #7 thru #10 to Standing Rules #4 (see attached) were housekeeping changes. The members approved a motion made by Jody McCarrell and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sally Van Zandt to adopt amendments #7 thru #10 as written.

### **Aviation Legislation**

Advisor Charli Lamb was not present, but her report was distributed to members.

### **Awards**

Phyllis Scott reminded chapters to complete the chapter activity form, available online and in the *Approach*, so their chapters may be recognized for their achievements at the fall section meeting.

### **SCS Approach**

Dottie Loveless thanked contributors for their articles and reminded members of the June 23<sup>rd</sup> deadline for articles for the next *Approach*. Marilyn George, Kansas Chapter Chair, will do the next Spotlight Article.

### **NASA/Education**

Jill Williams is hoping to reinstate the \$500 grant from NASA for aviation education. The program was dropped due to NASA funding cuts and not our lack of participation. Jody McCarrell noted that NIFA would begin presentations in high schools. Discussion followed. It was noted that Girl Scouts could not participate in actual flying but Boy Scouts could. Kris reminded members not to fly the scouts as a 99 because of insurance liability.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **2006-2007 Budget**

Jan McKenzie handed out the proposed budget for the coming year. Budgeted receipts for the year are expected to be \$4,505. After a review of the budget by members, Sherry Walker moved to have the budget accepted with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dottie Loveless. It was approved by the members.

#### **Section Meeting Rotation & Announcements**

Vice-Governor Chris Swain reviewed the upcoming section meeting schedule: Purple Sage Chapter will host the fall section meeting in Odessa, Texas, the Nebraska Chapter to host the 2007 spring section meeting. The SCS Board had voted to have no fall section meeting, due to our section hosting the 2007 International Conference. Our Bylaws require only one section meeting per year. A board meeting could be held to handle any pressing section business.

#### **Spring Section Meeting Invitation**

Charlotte Larson, Purple Sage Chapter, single-handedly gave a spirited invite to the fall section meeting in Odessa, Texas, September 22-24, 2006 to be held at the MGM Grand Hotel.

#### **Governor's Closing Comments**

Governor Kris Irvin-Herron thanked everyone for attending the spring meeting.

**Governor Kris Irvin-Herron** adjourned the meeting at 11:35 am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Diane F. Rose, Secretary

Minutes read by: Deb Price, Colorado Chapter  
Beverly Stephens, Golden Triangle Chapter

## Proposed Bylaw Amendment #1

### ARTICLE V, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND STANDING COMMITTEES

#### Section 2. Elections.

The election of the offices of Governor, Vice-Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, two (2) Directors and the Nominations committee will be held prior to the ~~Fall~~ **Spring** business meeting of the members in even numbered years.

PROVISO: Provided that this amendment passes, the procedures will begin with the election of offices for the 2008-2010 term.

Submitted by: Anna Taylor

Rationale: By electing officers, directors, and nominations committee prior to the Spring business meeting, they can be installed to serve during the full fiscal year, instead of only a portion of it.

Financial & Legal Impact: None

Board of Directors: Consents

## Proposed Bylaw Amendment #2

### ARTICLE VI, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### Section 2. Terms of office.

The term of elected officers shall commence on the first day of the next ~~scheduled section meeting following the election~~ **fiscal year immediately following the election.**

Submitted by: Anna Taylor

Rationale: To bring into uniformity the terms of elected officers, directors and standing committees with the Corporation's fiscal year, which is presently June 1 to May 31. The terms of office should begin with the fiscal year instead of several months into the fiscal year. Presently, the handover from one Board to another has been problematic. Questions of responsibility often arise during the period June 1 until the Fall Section Meeting when the new officers are installed.

Financial & Legal Impact: None

Board of Directors: Consents

## Proposed Standing Rule Amendment #1

### STANDING RULES, ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS (SR-3)

#### NOMINATIONS:

3. Nominations shall be postmarked no later than ~~November 30~~ **the date specified by the Nominations Committee** of the year immediately preceding the election.

Submitted by: Anna Taylor

Rationale: This would give flexibility for the Nominations Committee to receive the nominations and prepare the ballot for publication in a timely manner.

Financial & Legal Impact: None

Board of Directors: Consents

## Proposed Standing Rule Amendment #2

### STANDING RULES, ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS (SR-3)

#### NOMINATIONS:

4. In the event that only one candidate is nominated for any office, the Nominations Committee ~~has until December 15~~ **to may** solicit additional candidates, whose names will be placed on the ballot.

Submitted by: Anna Taylor

Rationale: This would give the Nominations Committee the opportunity to solicit and receive any additional nominations and still prepare the ballot for distribution in a timely manner.

Financial & Legal Impact: None

Board of Directors: Consents

## Proposed Standing Rule Amendment #3

### STANDING RULES, ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS (SR-3)

#### CAMPAIGN PRACTICES

1. Campaigning by candidates shall be limited to advertising in the SCS *Approach* and the "Know your Candidates" sheet compiled by the Nominating Committee and ~~mailed~~ **distributed** with the ballot in even numbered years.

Submitted by: Linda Horn and Nancy Aldrich

Rationale: To change the word "mailed" to "distributed" for uniformity of language and flexibility.

Financial & Legal Impact: None

Board of Directors: Consents

## Proposed Standing Rule Amendment #4

### STANDING RULES, ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS (SR-3)

#### ELECTIONS

1. The Nominations Committee shall ~~mail~~ **distribute** a ballot ~~no later than April 4~~ to each member from the most current membership roster supplied by Headquarters **for terms of office beginning in even numbered years. If no more than one candidate is standing for election for each office, the election will be declared by acclamation and no ballots will be distributed.**

Submitted by: Linda Horn and Pat Ward

Rationale: To change the word "mail" to "distribute" for uniformity of language. It should be unnecessary to distribute a ballot when there is only one candidate per office. The slate can be declared elected by acclamation

Financial & Legal Impact: Some savings of postage and printing

Board of Directors: Consents

## Proposed Standing Rule Amendment #5

### STANDING RULES, ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS (SR-3)

#### ELECTIONS

2. Balloting

- A. **When balloting is necessary, Mailed** ballots shall be returned to the ~~Elections~~ **Tellers** Committee ~~Chairman~~ **and shall be** postmarked no later than ~~June 4~~ **the date specified on the ballot**. The Tellers Committee will count the ballots.

PROVISO: Provided that this Amendment is approved, paragraph E of this same section shall automatically change "Elections" Committee to "Tellers" Committee.

Submitted by: Linda Horn and Anna Taylor:

Rationale: When balloting is necessary because of more than one candidate for an office: (1) To remove the word "Mailed" to maintain uniformity of language. (2) To change the return of the ballots to the Tellers Committee, instead of the Elections Committee. The Proviso would also change Paragraph E for uniformity. In practice, we have not had an Elections Committee in years. (3) To provide for a flexible return date of the ballot to enable compliance with the new terms of office and installation time period.

Financial & Legal Impact: None

Board of Directors: Consents

### Proposed Standing Rule Amendment #6

#### STANDING RULES, ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS (SR-3)

##### ELECTIONS

2. Balloting

- D. Winning candidates shall be installed at the ~~beginning of~~ **end of business at the Fall** ~~Fall~~ **Spring** Section Business Meeting.

Submitted by Anna Taylor:

Rationale: To enable officers to begin their terms of office on the fiscal year of June 1.

Financial & Legal Impact: None

Board of Directors: Consents

### Proposed Standing Rule Amendment #7

#### STANDING RULES, MEETINGS (SR-4)

##### SECTION 5

- A. The Minutes of the Meeting shall be ~~mailed~~ **provided** to each member of the Board of Directors, Chapter ~~Chairman~~, and Advisor by the Section Secretary within 30 days following the meeting. Chapter ~~Chairman~~s shall make Section Minutes available to all Chapter members.

Submitted by: Linda Horn

Rationale: To change the word "mailed" to "provided" since the Minutes could be provided by handing directly to the person, e-mailed, or other means. Change of "Chairman" to "Chair" provides consistency of language.

Board of Directors: Consents

## Proposed Standing Rule Amendment #8

### STANDING RULES, MEETINGS (SR-4)

#### SECTION 5

- C. A copy of the Minutes of the last meeting of the Section, approved by the Committee, and the meetings of the Board of Directors, ~~will be posted on a bulletin board~~ **shall be available** at each Section Meeting for the information of the members.

Submitted by: Linda Horn

Rationale: This gives flexibility in how the Minutes are provided. Copies of the Minutes are often provided to each member at the current meeting. Posting on a bulletin board is not always feasible and few read them.

Financial & Legal Impact: None

Board of Directors: Consents

## Proposed Standing Rule Amendment #9

### STANDING RULES, MEETINGS (SR-4) SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION RULES OF THE MEETING

#### BOARD SECTION 2.

- B. A copy of the Minutes of all Board Meetings held since the last Section meeting ~~will be posted on a bulletin board~~ **shall be provided** at each Section meeting for the information of the members.

Submitted by Linda Horn:

Rationale: To give more flexibility as the Minutes could be provided by means other than posting on a bulletin board.

Financial & Legal Impact: None

Board of Directors: Consents

## Proposed Standing Rule Amendment #10

### STANDING RULES, MEETINGS (SR-4) SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION RULES OF THE MEETING

#### BOARD SECTION 2.

- C. A copy of the Minutes of all Board meetings, ~~held since the last Section meeting,~~ shall be ~~mailed~~ **provided** to each BOD member, Chapter Chairman, and Advisor by the Secretary within 30 days following the meeting.

Submitted by Linda Horn:

Rationale: The wording "held since the last Section meeting" is redundant since this SR already requires that a copy of the Minutes be provided within 30 days of all Board meetings. Also, to change the word "mailed" to "provided" since the Minutes could be provided by handing directly to the person, e-mailed, or other means.

Financial & Legal Impact: None

Board of Directors: Consents