

The Ninety-Nines, Inc.
International Organization of Women Pilots
South Central Section Spring Business Meeting
Albuquerque, New Mexico
Saturday, March 15, 2008

Governor Chris Swain called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM on Saturday, March 15, 2008.

Invocation

Mary Wheelock gave the Invocation.

Introductions

Vice-Governor Jan McKenzie introduced Frances Luckhart, International Secretary and past SCS Governor; Kris Irvin-Herron, International Treasurer and past SCS Governor; Virginia Harmer, International Director and representative to the SCS meeting; Phyllis Scott, Museum of Women Pilots trustee; Anna Taylor, Sue Halpain, Bonita Ades and Dorothy Dickerson, past SCS Governors. Jan also welcomed all Chapter Chairs, all attendees, first time attendees and our Future Women Pilots.

Governor's Remarks

Governor Chris Swain said it had been fun serving the SCS as Governor and representative to the International Board. She reminded all that we need to take it to the Chapter level, as that is where the organization starts and that is where it will continue.

Roll Call/Minutes

Governor Chris Swain then opened the business portion of the meeting by asking Secretary Charlotte Larson to call the roll.

Albuquerque - 4	Golden Triangle - 4	Purple Sage - 1
Ambassador - 0	High Country - 1	Rio Grande Norte -3
Arkansas -1	Houston - 4	San Antonio - 7
Austin - 0	Kansas - 0	Shreveport - 0
Brazos River – 1	Lake Charles - 0	Texas Dogwood - 2
Colorado - 3	Nebraska - 0	Tip of Texas - 0
Dallas - 1	Northeast Kansas - 1	Tulsa - 2
El Paso - 1	Oklahoma - 1	Wichita Falls - 0
Fort Worth - 3	Pikes Peak - 1	Wildflower - 0
At Large - 1		

Charlotte reported 42 members from 19 chapters were present, and a quorum was declared. The minutes from the 2007 Spring Section Meeting in Lincoln, Nebraska as posted and distributed, were approved as written. Charlotte appointed Cathy Wappler, Houston Chapter and Linda Horn, Colorado Chapter as readers of the minutes for Spring 2008. Laura Richter, San Antonio Chapter, was appointed motions person.

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Treasurer's Report

In the absence of Treasurer Deb Price, Kris Irvin-Herron presented the Financial Report and Draft Budget for 2008-2009. The deficit showing on the budget is for software that is required for publishing the Approach. SCS financial figures as of March 28, 2008 are:

Receipts-to-Date: Dues: \$2,106.00; *Approach*: \$853.00

Expenses-to-Date: Contingency Fund: \$996.60; *Approach*: \$1,857.15;

Proceeds from International Conference: \$17,809.58

The Money Market is yielding 5.05% and the CD is yielding 4.98%. The budget as presented and distributed was unanimously approved.

International Report

International Director Virginia Harmer reported: Endowment Fund is up to \$400,000; AE Birthplace obtained the grant for roof repairs/replacement; AE Scholarship Fund is up to \$3 million and International's line of credit was now at zero. She reported that the roof at headquarters had been repaired; however, there are four a/c units (2 new, 2 old) and the 2 old units are leaking and need to be replaced. She mentioned that the Chapter Chair's manual is in preliminary form and the Council of Governors has it for review. Virginia also reminded the meeting to use www.goodsearch.com and choose Ninety-Nines as the designated charity (1 cent goes to the Endowment Fund for each search).

Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum

As reported above by International Director Virginia Harmer.

Museum of Women Pilots

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International Conference 2007

Vice-Governor, Jan McKenzie reported on the success of SCS's hosting the 2007 International Conference. Attendance was higher than expected with 298 Ninety-Nines and over 100 registered guests, bringing the total to just over 400. She also mentioned that via a standardized form, attendees evaluated their experience and approximately 10% were attending their first conference, 100% though the registration process went smoothly and 98% gave the conference a rating of good or excellent.

The Conference had been budgeted to break even with 250 registrants. We came out in the black for various reasons: several backers contributed \$9,000 in event sponsorship, program advertisement revenue exceeded the cost of the program, and there were 200 partial registrants.

The income generated from the 2007 International Conference was \$17,809.58 and the floor was opened to discussion, suggestions and motions as to how to distribute this income, as SCS does not need to maintain this amount in their account.

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Motion was made by Frances Luckhart that SCS donate \$5,000.00 to the Endowment Fund, \$2,000.00 to the Museum of Women Pilots; \$1,000.00 to the AE Birthplace Museum and \$7,000.00 to the headquarters building maintenance fund. Motion was seconded by Elizabeth Hunke, discussion was held and the motion passed.

Motion was made by Jerry Anne Jurenka that SCS donate \$1,000.00 to NIFA. Motion was seconded by Stephenie Roberts, discussion was held and the motion unanimously passed.

Motion was made by Ginny Boyles that SCS donate \$500.00 to the Endowment fund trustees for operating expenses. Motion was seconded by Jerry Anne Jurenka, discussion was held and the motion unanimously passed.

A balance of \$1,309.58 remained, no further motions presented.

ADVISOR REPORTS

Membership: No report.

SCS Webmaster: Linda Horn had no formal report, and she is open to questions about the web server because there had been a few problems when completing the new form for registration for the email networks.

Aviation Scholarships: Rose Lepore reminded everyone to be very careful in filling out the applications. They have been changed and added to, and some applications had been rejected on the basis of the application not being completed properly.

International/SCS Bylaws: Beverly Stephens had no formal report, the SCS bylaws are still under revision, forward any comments, changes and suggestions to her.

Aviation Legislation: Charli Lamb presented a written report to attendees. All pilots will have to have the new plastic cards by March 31, 2010, and all licenses must show the language of "English proficient" by March 5, 2009. She reported on the Sport Pilot license and user fee legislation. She also reported that even though in January 2007 the retirement age for airlines was raised from 60 to 65, that most airlines still ignore this and say one crew member must be under 60. With the EAA being exempt, the minimum hours have been raised for charity flights by pilots from 200 hours to 500 hours.

Awards: Gloria Blank had no report, will report under New Business.

SCS Approach: Anna Taylor reported for Dottie Loveless, articles are due June 6, 2008 for the Fall 2008 issue.

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OLD BUSINESS

Governor Chris Swain opened the floor for old business and it was determined the prior discussions had finished old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Awards: Gloria Blank reminded all Chapters that the Awards Reports are due July 1, 2008 for the fall meeting. The Travel Trophy was discussed and it was decided that in addition to the plaque, a certificate would also be presented to the winning Chapter.

Approach: Anna Taylor reported that Ellie Block, Fort Worth Chapter, will be taking over the Approach and that Nan France, Fort Worth Chapter, will be her assistant.

Fall 2009 Section Meeting Invitation:

The SCS Board sang an invitation to the tune of "Back in the Saddle Again" to invite all members to come to the Fall Section meeting in Amarillo, Texas the weekend of September 12-14, 2008.

Governor's Closing Comments:

Governor Chris Swain thanked everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting at 11:40 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlotte M. Larson, Secretary

Minutes read by: Cathy Wappler, Houston and Linda Horn, Colorado