THE NINETY-NINES, SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION

Fall Business Meeting, Saturday, September 28, 2013 Tyler, Texas

Governor, Cathy Prudhomme, called the business meeting of the South Central Section of Ninety-Nines to order at the Holiday Inn, in Tyler, Texas, at 8:30 A.M. She opened the meeting with a reading of the organization's "Mission Statement".

Jody McCarrell presented an invocation.

Jerry Anne Jurenka, Vice-Governor, introduced Past Governors of the South Central Section, Past International Presidents and special guests. There were two "first timers" from the Houston Chapter.

The Secretary, Kay Alley, reviewed the minutes of the previous business meeting held in San Antonio, Texas, on May 17, 2013. With no additions or corrections, the minutes were approved as published.

Dianne Cole, representing the International Board, made a report on the following items:

- 1) The next International Conference will be held in New Orleans, Louisiana, July 9-13, 2014.
- 2) Approximately 400 persons attended the International Conference in Bozeman, Montana, in July 2013, with 70 airplanes flying in.
- 3) Several new Ninety-Nine members signed up for membership at the National EAA. meeting.
- 4) The next International Board meeting will be held in Oklahoma City on November 1-2, 2013.
- 5) Nominations are now open for International Awards, deadline is January 15, 2014.
- 6) Members are urged to vote for The Nintey-Nines by going to www.vote99s.com to receive a possible \$10,000 grant from the Lightspeed Foundation.
- 7) Members are encouraged to visit the International website for more information on the "Fly Now" awards, with deadlines of September 15, 2013, and March 15, 2014.
- 8) There is a new director serving at the Museum of Women Pilots at International Headquarters.
- 9) The next Air Race Classic is being planned for June, 2014, beginning in Concord, California and terminating in Hershey, Pennsylvania.
- 10) Compass Rose tiles are available for purchase at International Headquarters.
- 11) The Ninety-Nines will try to have a presence at all national trade shows. The next event is the AOP. Summit in Fort Worth, Texas, October 10-12, 2013. Volunteers are needed. A breakfast for members is planned for October 11, 2013.
- 12) The Ninety-Nines website for the Endowment Fund has information on the "Dine to Donate" program to raise funds toward the one-million dollar goal. The current balance in the Endowment Fund is \$800,000 dollars.
- 13) Ninety-Nines will serve as judges in the NIFA competitions.
- 14) Information is available on The Ninety-Nines website about the SWIFT (Supporting Women In Flight Training) program. Certified Flight Instructors are

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being encouraged to promote The Ninety-Nines organization with their female students.

The Vice-Governor reviewed the schedule for the next several South Central Section meetings:

- 1) Spring Meeting May 16-18, 2014 in Galveston, Texas, at the Moody Gardens Hotel, hosted by the Houston Chapter.
- 2) Fall Meeting of 2014 (date to be determined) in Wichita, Kansas, to be hosted by the Kansas Chapter and the Northeast Kansas Chapter.
- 3) Spring Meeting of 2015 to be hosted by the Arkansas Chapter.
- 4) Fall Meeting of 2015 to be hosted by the Albuquerque Chapter.

The schedule for International Conferences were announced as follows:

- 1) New Orleans, July of 2014.
- 2) Munich, Germany, July of 2015.
- 3) Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, July of 2016.
- 4) South Central Section, July of 2017, bid to be presented to International BOD fall meeting.

Treasurer, Lois Gronau-Fietz, reviewed the Financial Report, ending September 26, 2013, showing a balance of \$6,376.42 in the checking account.

501(c) (3) Advisor, Kris Irvin-Herron, reported that she will assist Chapters with filing their IRS 990N reports if they send them to her by the deadline of October 15, 2013. All Chapter financial reports must be sent to Kris, even if the Chapter is filing its own 990N.

Scholarship Advisor, Rose Lepore, reported that the applications for the Amelia Earhart Scholarship are now available on the International website. Questions regarding the application can be sent to aechair@ninety-nines.org. A scholarship seminar will be presented in the afternoon.

Nominating Committee Chair, Rose Lepore, reported that the "Intent to Seek Election" form for a Section office is due by October 31, 2013. Nominating Committee members are Rose, Phyllis Scott and Jody McCarrell.

Aerospace Education Advisor, Holly Barr, reported that she has prepared a Girl Scout Aviation program guide that offers suggestions on aerospace topics. She encouraged all South Central Section Chapters to consider offering an aviation course for their local Girl Scout troops.

Aviation Legislation Advisor, Jill Shockley, distributed updated information on the current FAA rules changes and deadlines. She invited members to go to the FAA website for more information.

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Awards Advisor, Gloria Blank, announced that she will present Awards to Chapters for outstanding achievement at the luncheon following the business meeting.

Membership Advisor, Jill Shockley, reported that the current Section membership is 728. She encouraged attendance at the AOPA Summit in Fort Worth, Texas. She will investigate the possibility of opening a Section "Facebook" account. She encouraged every Chapter Chairman to appoint a Membership Chairman to recruit new members and to remind members to renew their membership annually.

Ellie Block, "Approach" editor, reported that the Section Board approved a brief review of the Section meetings to be sent out by email to all Section members. Elizabeth Frankowski will send a mass email after she receives the final draft from Ellie Block. The name suggested for the new publication is "Approach Lite". The deadline for the next publication of the "The Approach" is February 14, 2014. This will be the first edition published only on-line. Members requesting a printed edition must submit their name to Lois Gronau-Fietz by January 15, 2014.

Following a short break, Governor Prudhomme called for a representative from each Chapter to share their fund-raising ideas. Reports were given by Arkansas, Colorado, Dallas, Fort Worth, Golden Triangle, Houston, Kansas, Oklahoma, Rio Grande Norte, San Antonio, Texas Dogwood, Tip of Texas, and Tulsa.

Under "Old Business", Governor Prudhomme announced that she would like to go to the International Board of Directors meeting in November, 2013, in Oklahoma City, with an invitation from the South Central Section to hold the International Ninety-Nines Conference in July, 2017. A motion was made by Susan Larson and seconded by Clancy Maloney to offer the city of San Antonio, Texas. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

A skit and slide pictures presented by the Houston Chapter invited members to the next Section meeting in Galveston, Texas, on May 16-18, 2014.

Governor Prudhomme thanked the Texas Dogwood Chapter for their hospitality in hosting the meeting.

An award luncheon will be held immediately following the business meeting, and an evening activity will be held at the Coker Ranch.

The business meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted, Kay Alley, Secretary (kayalley@cs.com)

Approved: May 17, 2014