

NINETY-NINES, SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION
Spring Business Meeting, Saturday, May 18, 2013
San Antonio, Texas

Governor, Cathy Prudhomme, called the Spring Business Meeting of the South Central Section of the Ninety-Nines to order at 8:30 A.M., at the Holiday Inn ballroom, in San Antonio, Texas. An invocation was given by Director, Stephenie Roberts.

The minutes of the previous business meeting, held in El Paso, Texas, on October 20, 2012, were printed and distributed by the Secretary, Kay Alley. A motion to approve the minutes, as published, was voted upon as unanimous.

Section and International Officers were introduced. Five attendees were introduced as "first timers" and welcomed by the Governor.

Attendance roll call by Chapters was completed by the Secretary, with sixteen Ninety-Nine Chapters represented by approximately 60 persons in attendance.

Corbi Bulluck, a Ninety-Nine International Director, made a presentation. She requested that any concerns, suggestions and creative ideas for the organization be forwarded to her and she will help in turning those remarks into productive action items with the International Board of Directors. She reported that the Endowment Fund has now reached approximately \$800,000 towards the long-range goal of \$1,000,000.00. Earned interest in this fund will help support the organization. She also encouraged members to purchase raffle tickets by July 13, to be eligible to win a video camera to be given away at the International Conference in Bozeman, Montana. Proceeds from the sale of the raffle tickets will go the Endowment Fund. She announced that there is a special program being developed called, "SWIFT" that honors flight instructors. She encouraged members to participate in local air shows, aviation trade shows, and to consider being a volunteer at the annual EAA fly-in at Oshkosh, Wisconsin. She reminded everyone that the annual Ninety-Nines International Conference will be held in Bozeman, Montana, from July 9 through 14, 2013. Any updated information on membership addresses, phone numbers or e-mail addresses needs to be submitted to International Headquarters by July 1, 2013. The 2013-2014 Membership Directory will be published later this year. She also announced that our organization has been selected as a finalist for a \$10,000 grant from the Lightspeed Company. Votes for our organization can be made by going to The Ninety-Nines website (99s@ninety-nines.org).

Jerry Anne Jurenka reviewed the rotation schedule for future South Central Section meetings. She announced that the Texas Dogwood Chapter would host the Fall 2013 meeting in Tyler, Texas, on the weekend of September 27 – 29. The Houston Chapter will host the Spring 2014 meeting. The Kansas Chapter and the Northeast Kansas Chapter will co-host the Fall 2014 meeting in Wichita, Kansas. The Arkansas Chapter will host the Spring 2015 meeting, and the Albuquerque Chapter will host the Fall of 2015 meeting.

Treasurer Lois Gronau-Fietz reviewed the Financial Report, ending May 15, 2013, showing a current balance of \$7,161.97 in the checking account. A motion to accept the report was approved unanimously. She presented the new proposed budget for 2013-

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2014, with a projected ending balance of \$7,145.50. A motion to accept the proposed budget was approved as presented.

Director, Kris Irvin-Herron, requested that all Chapter Financial Reports be submitted to her by August 15, 2013. These reports may be submitted to her by e-mail, and must be signed by both the Chapter Chairman and Chapter Treasurer.

Aviation Scholarship Committee Chairman, Rose LePore, reported that our South Central Section was allowed seven nominations for the Amelia Earhart Scholarship, but sent in only three to the Trustees. She encouraged members to promote the scholarship as a recruiting tool for adding new members. Pilots who want more information about the scholarship program need to attend the Fall South Central Section meeting in Tyler, Texas, and meet with her.

Becky Hemphill, Chairman of the Pilot Careers program, PPLI, (Professional Pilot Leadership Initiative) made an in-depth power-point presentation explaining the details of the program. The main purpose of the PPLI program is to encourage women who need more help in achieving their career goals. It was started in 2004, and there are 150 women currently enrolled in the program with one-on-one mentoring over 18 months. There is a page on the International website for more information.

Aerospace Education Chairman, Holly Barr, announced that she is going to prepare a "how-to guide" on contacting local Girl Scout organizations and develop an introduction to aviation program for young girls.

Aviation Legislation Chairman, Jill Shockley, reviewed pending congress and FAA legislation on the following subjects: \$100-per-flight User Fee, Funding of Air Traffic Control Towers, Circling Approach Minimums, Third Class Medical Exemption, and Special Issuance Medical Certification. She prepared her remarks as a hand-out sheet to members in attendance.

Awards Chairman, Gloria Blank, requested that Chapters send their annual Chapter Activities Report to her by August 31, 2013.

At the Spring 2012 South Central Section meeting, Jan McKenzie, Linda Horn and Ellie Block were appointed by the Governor to prepare a plan for the e-mailing of the South Central Section newsletter, "Approach". It was announced that the Fall 2013 edition of the "Approach" will be the last printed edition. Members will receive an e-mail announcement in the spring of 2014 that the edition will be available for viewing electronically. A paid subscription will be available for persons who need to have their copy mailed.

Under New Business, Governor Prudhomme opened the discussion for "Donations". A motion was made by Frances Luckhart to donate \$500.00 to the Ninety-Nines Endowment Fund. A second to the motion was made by Lu Hollander. The motion passed unanimously. Jerry Anne Jurenka moved that we donate \$500.00 to NIFA in

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order to have “sponsoring rights”. The motion was seconded by Lu Hollander and passed unanimously.

The following Chapters each had a representative give a two-minute report highlighting the activities of their Chapter for the past several months: Albuquerque, Ambassador, Arkansas, Colorado, Dallas, El Paso, Fort Worth, Houston, Kansas, Lake Charles, Oklahoma, Rio Grande Norte, San Antonio, Texas Dogwood, Tip of Texas and Tulsa.

Rose Lepore reviewed the South Central Section’s “Standing Rules” concerning nominations for the South Central Section officers.

Governor Prudhomme reminded the members that voting delegate slips for International Conference should be signed by the Chapter Chairman and presented to the Chapter member who will be voting at the Conference in Bozeman, Montana.

Due to the resignation of the current Membership Advisor, Anne Whonic, Governor Prudhomme asked for a volunteer to assume the duties for the rest of the year.

Governor Prudhomme attended the International Board of Directors meeting in Oklahoma City in March, 2013. The Board asked her to consider locations in the South Central Section for the 2017 International Conference. There were several suggestions made including Colorado Springs, San Antonio and Santa Fe. More discussion will be held at the Fall Meeting in Tyler, Texas, before a final decision is made.

The Montana Chapter mailed quilt blocks to each Ninety-Nine Chapter for members to sign. The Governor reminded us that these need to be returned as soon as possible in order that the quilt can be completed by mid-July.

Members of the Texas Dogwood Chapter, in Tyler, Texas, presented an entertaining skit as the “official invitation” to join them for the Fall South Central Section meeting in September called, “Fly For The Roses”. They distributed yellow roses, brochures about Tyler, and a general outline of the weekend’s activities. Contact information is: Stephenie Roberts at 903-530-0437, sroberts@tyler.net, or Jill Shockley at jillwilliams99@yahoo.com.

Governor Prudhomme expressed her appreciation on behalf of all the members present to the San Antonio Chapter for the gracious hospitality for a fun-filled weekend with a variety of activities.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
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