



Linked in Friendship, Connected in Service
Portland (OR) Chapter

Portland (OR) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated Membership Meeting Report

September 10, 2019

The committee met via video conference on September 10, 2019. Members present were: Natalie Hooper, Carla Penn-Hopson, Serena Ashley, Barbara Thoms, Kelly Michael, Rhonda Thomas

August Planning Workshop Recap:

- Overall, feed-back on the workshop was very successful
- Members were split almost 50-50 on the 2 day format
- Venue payment to SEI should have already been made; other reimbursements have been made

Individual Member Updates:

- Welcome Link Miaya Stevenson-Griffin! Her chapter transfer is almost complete. We will connect with her and get her set up with a mentor to help her transition
- Link Kimberly Matier's transfer is fully complete!
- Link Danielle Outlaw is being honored at the Girl Scouts of Oregon, Women of Distinction Luncheon, as well as the guest speaker at the UNCF reception!
- Link Stephanie Mongtomery has requested an emergency Leave Of Absence, based on a family illness, and work commitments. The Membership committee is willing to grant her a LOA request, while working with Link Stephanie to pay her Gala Assessment in advance. *This recommendation requires a chapter vote*

New Member Updates:

- Reminder to submit profiles for potential new members by October 31.
- Profiles will be read at both the November and December chapter meetings
- Once we vote, we submit our chapter recommendation to the chapter president, Area Director, then Executive Director
- Within 2 weeks, we need to have the letters of invitations out – usually early January
- Portal to sponsor new members appears to be open – we ask that if you are sponsoring someone, please vet the candidate, and make sure their information is accurate. Home address, phone numbers, etc. Our chapter resident boundary is a 50 mile radius.
- We would like to have a networking event during October – If you have any ideas about venues, and can help with a reservation, please let me know!
- Please send the names and emails of all women you would like to have on our database

Our committee meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, via video conference, at 6:30pm. The next meeting is scheduled for October 8th.