

The Portland Chapter of The Links, Incorporated
November 13, 2021
By Zoom

The regular monthly meeting of The Portland Chapter of The Links, Incorporated met this day, November 13, 2001, by Zoom. President, Kimberly Matier presided and Secretary, Sylvia Welch was present. The meeting began at 10:04 AM and was adjourned at 11:54 AM.

Members present on the Zoom call: President, Kimberly Matier, Links Serena Ashley, Estella Brame, Karin Edwards, Miaya Griffin-Stevenson, Linda Harris, Terry Hill, Natalie Hooper, Kymberly Horner, Rochelle Hunter-James, Kimberly Ireland, Maria Jackson, Jocelyne McAdory, Margie Cooper Stanton, Krishna Walker, Sylvia Welch, Yvonne Williams Alumna Betty Cabine, Rene' DuBoise, Elaine Hartzog, Barbara Thoms, Pat Walker, Barbara Ward

Quorum: Yes

Linkspiration – Link Terry – “Finding Joy in our Friendships”. We must find a feeling of friendliness linking us to our common bond.

Adoption of the Agenda – Link Linda was added to present the Healthy Moment and Link Miaya was added to the members with announcements. With those changes to the agenda, it was adopted without objection and filed.

Approval of the October 9, 2021 Chapter Meeting Minutes – Yes, without objection and filed.

Officer's Report

President's Update – Links hurting and are not really talking about it. We have to pray for our sisters and continue our legacy of friendship. Succession planning is necessary. Looking to employ “distributive leadership” to leverage the talents of our members.

Correspondence – Link Maria – Report presented – Find committee sign-up chart in the Links Google folder.

Finance – Link Rochelle Hunter-James – Report presented and placed on file.

Membership – Link Karin - 4 Candidates for membership presented: Christa Nutor, Tracy Scott, Shemeka Johnson, Sia Miller. Their profiles were read; Core Value: Respect was presented and examined. Trust is the foundation of respect and we will endeavor to live out our core values. Take a temperature check and be thankful for what we do have.

Track you hours. Recognition goes to Chapters with members clocking 48 hours by December 31, 2021. *Hold December 3, 2021* for a friendship event; a survey is to come regarding our interests so we can connect with each other outside of our PODs.

Western Area Report – Link Carla – Presentation on file; Link Miaya advised us of a November 16, 2021 webinar on Human Trafficking, titled “What’s Going On?” Starts at 6:00 PM. Information for registration was previously emailed.

BWEBW – Report presented – Link LaKecia is having success with the Talent Bank by placing Black women on Boards/Commissions. Expect a form for nominees. Link Linda will receive information regarding the meeting (concerning this) attended by Link Serena Wesley and others.

Healthy Moment – Link Linda – The “Linkages to Life” link is on our website. Donor Sabbath November 12 – 14

Standing Committees -

Organizational Effectiveness – Link Jocelyne – Report presented – Partnering with the Membership Committee to revamp the PODS. There’s a Membership Committee member in each POD. The PODs met briefly and were asked to meet again before the end of the year.

Constitution/ByLaws – Link Krishna – Changes were submitted. Minor changes were suggested and will be made. Update to come.

Program/Facet – Link Linda – Report presented – We have a Service Delivery Model from a previous program that will work. The lead facet of the Umbrella Program is National Trends and Services (NTS). The title is H.E.R. which stands for “Having Equal Rights”; a budget projection is to be submitted to the Finance Committee. **Needed:** a meeting to review budget assessments and requests to allocate funds for Programs for the 2022-23 fiscal year.

Announcements reported; birthdays acknowledged

Sylvia Welch
November 13, 2021