

The Portland (OR) chapter of the Links, Incorporated
June 12, 2022
By Zoom

The regular meeting of The Portland (OR) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated met June 12, 2022 by Zoom. President, Kimberly Matier presided and Secretary Sylvia Welch was present. The meeting began at 10:01 AM and was adjourned at 11:09 AM.

Members on Zoom: President, Kimberly Matier, Carla Penn-Hopson, Krishna Walker, Karin Edwards, LaKecia Gunter, Serena Ashley, Serena Stoudamire Wesley, Linda Harris, M. Yvonne Williams, Kimberly Mack Ireland, Kymberly Horner, Harriet Adair, Felicia Wasson, Natalie Hooper, Maria Jackson, Rochelle Hunter-James, Rhonda Thomas, Estella Brame, Shemeka Johnson, Sylvia Welch Alumna: Barbara Ward, Pat Walker

Quorum: Yes

Adoption of the Agenda – Yes, without objection. Link Carla moved and it was seconded to adopt the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Filed

Approval of The May 14, 2022 regular Chapter meeting minutes – Yes, without object and filed

Linkspiration – Link LaKecia – “Sisterhood” reminds us that it’s a “gift of trust linked with fluid steps”.

Officer’s Reports –

President’s Update – Link Kimberly Matier – Please check your email for information regarding “ITS” (sex trafficking), monitoring our steps, “Each One, Teach One”, the need to donate 26 books to Head Start” (President Kimberly will send us information regarding where we can have the books sent... it was deemed easier to buy them on Amazon and send them to the Head Start). A check for \$75 was sent for the National President’s gift. An ad with a greeting from the Chapter was sent for the National Assembly.

Corresponding – Link Maria – Report presented – a gavel from a family member of a Charter member of our Chapter was given to Link Linda for the Archives; Storage facility paid (\$178).

Finance – Links Rochelle Hunter-James/Kimberly Mack Ireland - Report presented and filed. The Nike donation does not need to be transferred from WREF to The Links account; all vouchers are due now. Please send them to Link Kimberly Mack Ireland.

Healthy Moment – Link Yvonne – The Charles Drew Blood Donate Drive is on Saturday, June 18, 2022 and begins at 7:30 AM. Location: 3131 N. Vancouver Ave., Portland, Oregon. Call Link Yvonne or the Red Cross at 503.528.5582 to schedule, or for more information; the National Heart Association meeting is being rescheduled.

Membership – Link Karin – Congratulations all around for new member Link Shemeka Johnson who reported on her Project. The Project was on Sex Trafficking and included a presentation from Adrienne Livingston and involved Jefferson High School students.

Special Committee Report –

Archivist Report – Link Linda – Pictures and articles from the past up to 2021 were sent to “One Story Up Products”. They are doing a documentary on the Ebony Fashion Fair. The Portland Chapter was the first West Coast Chapter to present the EFF. An article chronicling the Fashion Fair will be forwarded to us by Link Linda; If you have received an award or a promotion, please let our archivist, Link Linda, know.

New Business – Chapter vote on National Officers –

It was moved by Link Serena Ashley and seconded that we vote for the candidate that best represents our Western Area interests. Motion carried unanimously.

Announcements – Link Natalie –

Birthday celebrations – Link Rochelle McElroy

*Note: Please pray for Rene’ DuBoise who will be recovering in the hospital another 5 days after her surgery.

Keep the PODS going.

August workshop is Friday, August 19 (6:00 – 8:30 PM) and Saturday, August 20 (10:00 AM – 2:00 PM). Whether in-person or virtual is still to be determined.

Sylvia Welch, Secretary
June 12, 2022