

The Portland Chapter of The Links, Incorporated
May 13, 2023
Portland Community College
Terrell Hall Room 112

The regular meeting of the Portland Chapter of The Links, Incorporated met on May 13, 2023 at Portland Community College's Terrell Hall, room 112. The Vice President for Membership, Link Krishna Walker, presided and Secretary, Sylvia Welch was present. The meeting was convened at 10:14 AM and was adjourned at 11:35 AM.

Members present – Links Krishna Walker, Serena Ashley, Estella Brame, Lakecia Gunter, Kimberly Horner, Rochelle Hunter-James, Kimberly Ireland, Maria Jackson, Margie Cooper Stanton, Kizmet Mills, Felicia Wasson, Sylvia Welch, Yvonne Williams Alumna – Jackie N. Brown, Betty Cabine, Elaine Hartzog, Pat Walker, Barbara Ward

Quorum - Yes

Linkspiration – Link Lakecia - Link Lakecia read the poem, “A Woman of Worth” and also Psalm 63:3 which reminds us that God is s+ll good, and s+ll there and worthy even when the world seems to be in chaos.

AdopDon of the Agenda - the Agenda was adopted without objec+on and filed.

Approval of April 8, 2023 Meeting minutes – the minutes were approved without objec+on and filed.

Officer's Reports

President's Report – The President's report was presented by Link Krishna and filed. Local - Congratula+ons to Link Karin Edwards and Connec+ng Link Tony Hopson; Karin was feted by her church for being a Black leader and her pioneering achievements and Tony Hopson for his pioneering efforts in assis+ng the community as a Board member of the 1803 fund that is spearheading efforts to revitalize the Albina neighborhood. Phil and Penny Knight pledged \$400 million to this local effort; Link Estella designed and submi[ed our ad for the Western Area Conference.

Area – The final updates to the strategic plan were submitted by April 30; goals for Black KARE were reported with 100%; mental health update: email Link Jennifer Davis, at westernareamentalhealth@gmail.com, two mental health organizations in your chapter area to be included in the area directory; Western Area is asking for \$1,000 from each Chapter for the

Hollywood Stars fundraiser

National – there is a reset and return to full membership engagement; members are not to earn hours for just attending webinars and fundraising; National President will conduct 1:1 30-minute chats with 15 select presidents

Membership – Link Krishna – Report presented and filed – ceremony for 3 candidates will occur on June 10, 2023 at 9:00 AM (before the Chapter meeting). **Dress: uninterrupted white**; transfer process is completely online now; track it forward is easier to use and is easier to see how many hours you have at any point in the year; Link Yvonne will be celebrated at the June meeting; candidates will present their project at June meeting; Link History Book will be given to inductees; there will be a meeting to look for ideas for the Program year (more to come)

Corresponding Secretary – Link Felicia – Report presented

Healthy Moment – Link Yvonne – Report presented - May is Mental Health Month. Ways to take care of yourself were given: 1) know your body 2) get some sleep 3) exercise 4) enjoy a good laugh 5) evaluate your circle 6) media+on 7) seek help

Standing Committees

Fundraising – Link Margie – gave a reminder and encouragement to the respective teams to raise \$10,000 by June 30, 2023.

New Business – Re: Western Area candidates

It was moved by Link Felicia and seconded that the Chapter discuss the candidates for Western Area Secretary. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Link Felicia and seconded to encourage our President and alternate to vote for Link Erica Daniel for Area Secretary. Motion carried

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Social/Courtesy – Link Kimberly Horner’s birthday was celebrated

Sylvia Welch, Secretary

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