



Fall Board Meeting  
Ramada Geneva Lakefront  
October 14, 2017

President Carlin welcomed all and thanked the Meetings Committee (Linda Winston, Linda Provo, Neale Steiniger, Mary Stelley, Jacquie Shellman) for all their hard work putting this meeting together. Our timekeeper is Sue Ellen Balluff; pages are Laura Reynolds & Donald Rumsey. Parliamentarian – Margherita Clemento, Credentials Chair – Neale Steiniger.

President-Elect Robin Bridson led the assembly in the Collect. Vice President Jacquie Shellman led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Carlin welcomed Krista Johns, Director of Sales & Marketing who provided interesting facts about Geneva and Seneca Falls.

President Carlin called the meeting to order at 2:15 PM and declared a quorum with 18 board members present.

Board Meeting rules printed in the Program Book were accepted.

The meeting agenda printed in the Program Book:

**MOTION BD 17-18 (08) Made by Robin Bridson, seconded by Jacquie Shellman that the agenda be approved with changes mentioned, and with the understanding that the President is empowered to make further changes, if needed. Motion carried.**

President Carlin recognized the First Timers who were not available for the Friday Evening event.

MOMENT OF SILENCE Audrey MacDougall, Past State President and Liaison to the PSP's recognized the accomplishments of Catherine Raycroft who recently passed away.



Secretary Provo read the actions of the Executive Committee since the board meeting of June 4, 2017.

**MOTION BD 17-18 (09) Made by Linda Provo, seconded by Robin Bridson to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2017 Pre-Conference meeting and June 4, 2017 Post Conference meeting (as corrected). Motion carried.**

Treasurer Mary Stelley presented the financial reports as of September 30, 2017 – the report will be filed for audit.

Vice President Jacquie Shellman – welcomed everyone to Region 7 as well as those who participated in the event to be held this evening. Thankful for being part of the Meetings Committee as Vice President.

President-Elect Robin Bridson – reported on the Region Directors/ARD meeting that was held the evening before; talked about the website; please update your information to ensure accuracy for the Leadership Directory.

President-Elect Robin Bridson assumed the chair for the purpose of the President's Report.

President Debra Carlin – Goal this year is to serve the members of this organization; implement lines of communication via the website and ensure correctness; prepare an Email list for MAL's; focus on Health Care issues. If a member is not receiving the NIKE or Communicator please go on your profile and make the corrections. This morning's Health Care Panel presented much pertinent information. Please compete for the awards to be given at Annual Conference as well as the President's Challenge. Robin Bridson will be the Liaison for changes to the website. Read a letter from Cheryl Lavin regarding participation at Women's Day at the Fair.

The chair requested the President to resume the chair at this time.



Immediate Past State President – Theresa Fazzolari – 2017 Annual Conference minutes have been reviewed by IPSP and Parliamentarian – will be sent with corrections to Secretary Linda Provo to be posted to the Website. All helpful information has been handed to the President and she continues to be a resource to the present Executive Committee. President Carlin requested Theresa to be the Liaison to the members of the Members at Large. Thank you for everything during my year as your President.

#### REPORTS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Advocacy – Marilyn Mannino – Currently have a new addition to this committee – Human Trafficking. We are advocating for Women’s Health Issues. New Email address [lynnemannino@msn.com](mailto:lynnemannino@msn.com)

Bylaws – Ramona Gallagher – Received a very well organized packet and would welcome some members to work with her.

Communications – Neale Steiniger – Please make it a point to Communicate. Those who do the work – Joyce DeLong, Katharine Smith, Associate Editor NIKE, Sue Mager, Business Manager, Renee Cerullo, Manager of the Website.

Finance – Ruthann Rocque – Chair of Finance and has been working with Mary Stelley – currently working on RFP’s for NIKE and the Website to be presented in the next month or two.

Membership – Linda Prezpasiak - Packets contain Membership Challenge for this year. Presented the membership numbers including active, lapsed, etc. Push to get the Lapsed members back on the active list. The website lists – under the Toolkit – all the information needed to help Chapters.

PPD – Mary Ellen Morgan – New challenges for PPD hoping to have everyone participate this year. Thank you for your contributions.

#### OTHER BOARD & SPECIAL OR SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Region 2 – Fran Ferrari – Staten Island group having an event today; Candidate’s night on Tuesday; Pinot and Wine fundraiser for hurricane victims.

Region 3 – Debbie Morelli-Speer – Working on a regional project of collecting items that will be sent to members overseas as well as locally.



Region 5 – Audrey MacDougall – Five local chapters (1 has voted to disband, 1 is losing its ARD) transportation and weather are factors. Helped with the State Fair (Pat does a wonderful job). Anticipate coordinating an Email region meeting due to many difficulties – Spring Board Meeting to be held in Rome.

Region 6 – Linda Winston - Greetings from Kathleen Pernice who has done an excellent job as Region Director. Great Advertising campaigns for the Region. Challenges on 501c3 progress. Reality Store this spring.

Region 7 - Sheralynn Fox – As Hilary has stepped down as RD, the new RD will be Terra Dame-Rohring. Preparing for Region 7 Fall Meeting. Activities of all locals presented.

Region 8 – Sue Mager – Going strong. Have 6 chapters that are having issues. Leadership meeting was a “Meet & Greet” which produced the best Marketing Seminar that could ever be presented. Encourage Chapters to touch base with Region 8 to have this.

Legislation/Resolutions – Joanne Olbrich – handout distributed regarding the 3 ballot questions on Election Day.

Athena Society – Sue Mager - Bra project – Cash donations accepted. Thanks for the support for the Motion to change Athena Society to A Military Women’s Initiative.

Women’s Day at the Fair – Robin Bridson for Pat Fergerson - Luncheon Speaker NYS Lt Governor Kathy Hochul, Chair of the NYS Women’s Suffrage Commission followed the theme of the day “Fearless Women”. Over 275 women participated and received promotional information cards and payday candy bars. Next year’s Fair will be Wednesday, August 29, 2018.

**Unfinished Business – None**

**New Business:**

**MOTION BD 17-18 (10) MOI 2.20 (personal professional chair) and MOI 2.01 Athena Society be amended to change the name of Athena Society to the Athena Military Women’s Initiative. Motion carried.**



**MOTION BD 17-18 (11) to reprint the March 2017 issue of NIKE as a commemorative issue with a cost to the state not to exceed \$534.75. The portion of State Funds to come from the State Membership and Marketing Committees with the responsibility of an effective distribution by the Communications Committee. Motion carried.**

**Save the date                      April 21, 2018 – Board Meeting – Griffiss Institute, Rome NY  
June 8, 9, 10, 2018 – NYS Conference – Place TBD**

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business to come before the 2017 Board of Directors, Debra Carlin adjourned the meeting at 3:45 PM

Prepared by:            Linda K Provo, Secretary  
Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_