EC Meeting Feb. 7, 2023 Zoom Minutes

President Janet Carey called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

In attendance: President Janet Carey; Treasurer Patti Pollock; Secretary Denise Murphy; President-Elect Robin Bridson; Immediate Past President Jacquie Shellman; and guest State Parliamentarian Margherita Clemento.

A quorum was present.

Secretary's Report: Denise Murphy

Minutes of the EC meeting of Jan. 3, 2023, were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Patti Pollock

As of Feb. 7, 2023, total cash on hand was \$90,531.97. The treasurer met with Linda Winston to review the annual audit, and no issues were found. Ruthann Rocque was sent paperwork to compile the proposed new annual budget which is expected to include an increase for Nike publishing and distribution costs.

The treasurer's report was filed for audit.

President-Elect Report: Robin Bridson.

Membership: As of Feb. 7, membership numbers stand at 328 active and 72 lapsed members.

Membership liaison: More promotion on Facebook planned.

RD liaison: RDs will be asked to promote the Winter Board meeting and the annual awards' competition among their territory chapters.

Communicator: Two issues were to be published: Feb 1 and Feb. 9.

Other: She plans to review the website content with the contracted webmaster to update and purge information; and she updated the RFPs for the webmaster and publishing contracts which expire this year.

President's Report: Janet Carey

Chapter Presidents' meeting: Set for Feb. 13 for forum/brainstorming session.

Nike/Communicator: All of her submissions are ready.

Meetings attended: Region III officers meeting to orient officers; GLEF meeting with possibility of GLEF hosting a vendor table at the annual conference with fundraising raffles and basket drawings. President-Elect Bridson added a GLEF newsletter was created and distributed. Parliamentarian Margherita Clemento said GLEF would need help since some ladies have dual responsibilities as both GLEF and NYSWI officers/members that day. CDO is also interested in a table at conference.

Annual conference: President Carey continues to visit possible venues for an in-person June conference. Lodging and meal costs are not set, but more information and a budget outline will be shared at the March EC meeting. The Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce offered to provide goody bags for attendees.

Other: Help is being arranged through President-Elect Bridson for website updates for the Finger Lakes chapter.

MAL Liaison: Immediate Past President Jacquie Shellman.

No MAL report but said she answered inquires on how a lapsed member can pay multi-year dues to return to good standing and questions on qualifying for the annual NYSWI awards.

## New business:

Bylaws revision: Parliamentarian Clemento said information was sent to the Bylaws Chair Amy Colon to help her prepare and send information to members on proposed bylaws changes adding language that membership dues are non-refundable. The chair also must present a motion at the EC meeting March 7 so the issue can be presented at the March 11 board meeting. If successful, the motion would be forwarded to the entire membership for a vote at the June conference. Each chapter must update its bylaws when NYSW bylaws are revised.

## Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Next Communicator deadline is March 14, 2023.

Next Nike deadline is March 15, 2023.

Next EC meeting is March 7, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Prepared and submitted by:

Denise Murphy

Secretary

Date approved: March 7, 2023.