

Draft – September Chapter Meeting Minutes  
General Membership Meeting  
Goodwill Industries Center  
September 23, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Link Laura Mimms at 6:00 pm. A quorum was declared present as shown by the attached roster.

President Mimms provided an overview of the purpose of the workshop at the beginning of this meeting as a continuation of the discussions began at our August retreat. The theme of the process is “Voice and Choice in the Process. She introduced the facilitator, Phyllis Hildreth.

The meeting was reconvened at 6:55 pm. Members recited the pledge and sang the Links song.

Link Sheila R. Peters provided a Linkspiration.

Motion was made by Link Paulette Coleman to adopt the May minutes with no corrections. Motion was seconded by Link Judy Presley. Unanimous approval.

#### President’s Report

Central Area Conference report was filed in conjunction with Vice-President Rhonda Dunn in October.

President announced the Program team:

- Jenean Davis
- Kimberly Perkins-Davis
- Marcia Millet
- Daphne Ferguson Young
- Marquette Faulkner
- Portia Jordan
- Lolita Toney

Link Mimms reported on the Central Area Presidents’ call; participated in a Strategic Planning webinar; reported on the need to complete the Ethics & Standards form. President Mimms report that the 990 form was submitted on 9/16/19 and chapter bonding was completed by Link Janice Woodard.

President Mimms reported on sisterly concerns:

- Carolyn Piphus’ sister’s funeral
- Harriett Vaughn-Wallace’s back surgery
- Genma Holmes’ son’s chemical burns

#### Corresponding Secretary Report

Link Ora Bransford shared correspondence:

- Card from Twin Rivers Ohio chapter
- Card from Link Janice Woodard
- Card from Gail Williams

- Card from K. Dawn Rutledge
- Invitation – Holy Savior Catholic: event on August 28<sup>th</sup>
- Invitation – American Baptist College: Scholarship Brunch on September 28<sup>th</sup>
- Invitation – American Baptist College: Scholarship Gala on October 10<sup>th</sup>
- Invitation – Napier/Looby Bar Association Gala on September 28<sup>th</sup>; honoring Sheats Endontic Group
- Invitation – Music City Chapter Community Foundation – Joe Kraft Humanitarian awards October 17<sup>th</sup>
- 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Athena Awards – nominations open; Action Items – 2 nominees and 2 judges  
Discussion about the process; Traditional nominee – Daphne Ferguson Young, Young Athenian – no one eligible under 40; Traditional Judge – JoAnn Davis-Davis

#### Treasurer's Report

Motion for approval made by Link Janice Woodard; seconded by Paulette Coleman.

#### Financial Secretary Report

Link Deborah Broadwater reported the receipt of two checks for \$300 from the Central Area Conference.

Link Patricia Bailey Explained the process of collection of funds for Link Carolyn Piphus. Link Simone Sheats suggested that the chapter purchase a gift card if there is overage.

#### Internal Audit Report

Report made by Link Linda Spears; copy of the Internal Audit Certification form and Audit committees recommendations was provided to the membership.

Obtained two estimates from CPAs for an external audit report: Sylvia Johnson (conducted last year's audit) - \$500, SPD CPAs - \$750. Motion made by Linda Spears and seconded by JoAnn Davis-Davis to approve Sylvia Johnson unanimous approval.

#### Jazz Brunch

Date/Time: Saturday December 14<sup>th</sup> from 11am-2pm.

Executive committee recommended the Sheraton Music city based on reports made by the Jazz Brunch committee. Discussion about how to deposit the funds – through the foundation or not. Funds are not deposited through the foundation because there are minimal tax benefits.

Discussion about ticket costs and expenses. Full report was provided to the membership.

Executive committee motion to approve the Sheraton at a ticket price of \$55. Unanimous approval.

#### Announcements:

Mary Beard gave a review of the Napier/Looby Bar Association celebration and goal to raise \$15,000 for scholarships.

Jefferson Street Missionary Baptist church will begin CPR classes on Saturday.

Members are requested to wear pink to the October meeting for Breast Cancer Awareness.

Members are requested to bring items for Ida B. Wells.

Two visitors attended: Jennifer Hollings – Kalamazoo MI chapter

Link Members in Attendance:

Adams, Cheryl  
Bailey, Patricia  
Beard, Mary  
Bender, Cathy  
Bransford, Ora  
Broadwater, Deborah H.  
Carter, Sharon  
Coleman, Paulette  
Collier, Ingrid  
Current, Yvonne D.  
Davis, Jenean F.  
Davis-Davis, Jo Ann  
Faulkner, Marquette  
Ferguson-Young, Daphne  
Harris, Gwendolyn  
Hellum, Wendy  
Holloway, Saletta  
Jubilee, Glory T.S.

McClain, Virginia Wilson  
McShan, Valencia Patrice  
Millet, Marcia  
Mimms, Laura  
Perkins-Davis, Kimberley  
Peters, Sharon D  
Peters, Sheila R.  
Presley, Judith  
Robinson, Loyce  
Sheats, Simone  
Sheats-Mathis, Jan-Nee'  
Smiley, Kim  
Spears, Linda  
Tillery, Debra  
Woodard, Janice

Prepared by Link Sharon D. Peters

Date approved \_\_\_\_\_