**Post Convention SEC Meeting**

**Sunday June 26, 2016**

The post convention SEC meeting was called to order by President Faye Richardson-Green ½ hour following the installation of officers.

The invocation was delivered by Chaplain Leora Williamson.

The Salute to the Colors was led by Sgt-at-Arms Lenore Uhl.

Roll Call of Officers: all present with the exception of Judy Smith, Jacobetti Home Rep. who was excused and District III President Rebekah Pickrel, District VII President Lois Jurewich and Diana Lammott, Higgins Lake Rep all marked absent.

***Ways & Means Chairman Sue Hennigar*** reported the winner of the 40” TV was Sue - Aux. #52, the 32” TV was Loki - Post #29 and the $50 winner was Bob Bushman -??

Bonnie Rojeski, Aux. #93, won the 1st 50/50 ($198) and Becky Kovach, Aux. #4250, won the 2nd one ($99). Money was turned in from the raffles, Chinese Auction ($356), bracelet sales ($49), mystery drawings ($23) and green manual sales ($120).

***Convention Report – Kathy Keizer, Chairman*** reported 33 pre-registered delegates and 1 alternate paid at $15 each = $150. 2 Delegates paid at convention at $20 each for a total collected of $550. We had 35 delegates, 1 alternate, 2 guests, 11 Past Department Presidents (7 registered as Officers) and 13 Officers for a total of 62.

Kathy thanked Martha Popour for the good job she did as Credentials Chairman and Erica Szegda as the Attendance Prize Chairman. Kathy also thanked the registration workers: Maureen Jackson, Sue Christe, Linda Marshall, Betty Pettijean, Dianna Lammott, Rose Solak, Bertha Dewey and Nancy Middleton.

At this point, President Faye turned the gavel over to the 2016/2017 President

Seletha Robertson.

First Order of Business:

Peggy Liss, Gaveliere’s President presented Seletha with her new President’s hat.

Roll Call of new Officers:

President Seletha Robertson – present

1st Vice Wendy Lynema – present

2nd Vice Kathy Schultz – present

3rd Vice Martha Popour – present

Secretary Nancy Middleton – present

Treasurer Gloria Hall – present

Chaplain Sue Christe – present

Sgt-at-Arms Bert Lema – present

Hospital Officer Harriet Biela – present

Scholarship Officer Sally Abshire – present

Americanism Officer Carol Orlowski – present

NEC Woman Pat Michalski – excused

Honors & Awards/Liaison Faye Richardson-Green – present

Aleda Lutz Rep. Linda Marshall – present

Ann Arbor Rep. Pat Krzesowik – excused

Grand Rapids Home Rep. Clarice Poisson – present

Jacobetti Home Rep Judy Smith – excused

John Dingell Rep Harriet Biela – present

District I President Cel Rose Solak – present

District II President Rosemary Perdue – present

District II President Rebekah Pickrel – absent

District V President Kathy Keizer – present

District VI President – Christine Keenan – absent

District VII President Lois Jurewich – absent

Because of a correction made at last year’s convention, Diana Lammott served her final year as Higgins Lake Lodge Rep. and a new Rep needed to be appointed for a 2 yr. term.

President Seletha requested PDP Peggy Liss fill that office.

\*\*Motion Clarice Poisson/2nd Bert Lema to approve the appointment of Peggy Liss for the office of Higgins Lake Lodge Rep. CARRIED

President Seletha requested the following appointments for the 2016/2017 year:

Parliamentarian – PDP Pat Michalski

Ways & Means – Lenore Uhl

PRO/Historian – Denorta Jackson

Personnel Chairman – PDP Kathy Biela

Convention Chairman – PDP Peggy Liss

Fall Conference Chairman – PDP Maureen Jackson

\*\*Motion Clarice Poisson/2nd Cel Rose Solak to approve the Presidents Appointments.

CARRIED

Kathy Keizer was asked to fill in as Parliamentarian for Pat Michalski who was excused.

The following committee appointments were requested by President Seletha:

Grievance Committee – Chairman PDP Maureen Jackson/ Committee members PDP

Kathy Keizer and PDP Allison Aldrich.

\*\*Motion Clarice Poisson/2nd Faye Richardson Green to approve Grievance Committee appointments. CARRIED

The following Americanism committee appointments were requested by President Seletha:

#1 – Diana Lammott, #2 Pat Michalski. (2 others will be approved by poll vote later)

\*\*Motion Clarice Poisson/2nd Faye Richardson Green to approve the Americanism committee members. CARRIED

The following Appeals Board appointments were requested by President Seletha:

Bert Lema – Clarice Poisson – Pat Whitcher

\*\*Motion Faye Richardson-Green/2nd Peggy Liss to approve the members of the Appeals Board. CARRIED

The following By-Law Committee appointments were requested by Pres. Seletha:

Peggy Liss – Martha Popour – Cel Rose Solak – Wendy Lynema – Maureen Jackson – Allison Aldrich – Carol Pickett – Kathy Keizer - Kathy Schultz – Rosemary Perdue – Doreen Pierce – Clarice Poisson – Nancy Middleton.

\*\*Motion Clarice Poisson/2nd Faye Richardson-Green to approve the By-Law Committee appointments. CARRIED

1st Vice President Wendy Lynema chose “Plant the Seeds of Membership as her theme. She proposed the following contests for Membership:

#1 Each Auxiliary 100% renewed by Oct. 31 will receive $25. The D&R must be received by the Dept. Secretary postmarked by Nov. 5. Renewal is defined as 100% of the previous year’s annual membership with the exception of a death or a transfer.

#2 A drawing will be held on the last day of the contest month. The annual member who has paid her dues and it has been received by the Dept. Secretary will win.

1. 1st drawing 9/30 – prize $100
2. 2nd drawing 10/31 – prize $75
3. 3rd drawing 11/30 – prize $50
4. 4th drawing 12/31 – prize $25.

The winning check will be mailed out within 2 weeks of the drawing.

#3 Fun contest is a way to honor and showcase our local membership chairmen. It is the Membership Chairman of the Month.

The D&R’s will be based on a point system given by the Dept. Secretary and Dept. 1st Vice.

Points for: accuracy, neatness, timeliness, calculations, each new member.

At the end of the year a “Membership Chairman of the Year” will be chosen and they will win a ‘fabulous’ prize.

\*\*Nancy Middleton/2nd Rose Solak to approve the 1st Vice’s membership contests. CARRIED

2nd Vice President Kathy Schultz does not have any special programs or chairman’s awards at this time. Her theme is” Every Child Counts – They are our Future”

3rd Vice President Martha Popour does not have a theme or project at this time. She is not prepared because she had not planned on seeking an office until she was approached last night. Martha will bring ideas to the Fall SEC. When the Paws Tour is set with National, she will inform everyone.

Americanism Officer Carol Orlowski. Her theme is “Teaching Americanism to Future Generations”.

Scholarship Officer Sally Abshire has the theme “Helping Dreams Come True”. She would like to continue the fund raising project of collecting recyclable phones, ink, etc.

\*\*Motion Nancy Middleton/2nd Kathy Schultz to approve the recyclable project for Scholarship. CARRIED

Hospital Officer Harriet Biela is using the theme “Make a Difference. Volunteer to Serve those Who Served”.

Chaplain Sue Christe – nothing to report at this time.

Ways & Means Chairman Lenore Uhl has several ideas in mind for fundraisers. She did a lot of research and is able to get a Chevy Spark car for $7,000. By selling 1000 tickets at $20 each, we should raise some good money. The car has 68,000 miles on it and gets 40 mpg. It comes with a 10,000 warranty from Al Hansen Motors.

\*\*Motion Faye Richardson Green/2nd Maureen Jackson to approve the car project for Ways & Means and advance $1,000 to the Dealership.

\*\*Nancy Middleton/2nd Clarice Poisson to amend the advance to $3,500. CARRIED

Original motion as amended – CARRIED

Other fundraisers suggested are raffles, 50/50’s, Chinese Auctions, Quarter Auction, Texas Hold'ems, etc.

\*\*Motion Maureen Jackson/2nd Nancy Middleton to approve the Ways & Means fundraisers with AMVET approval. CARRIED

Liaison Faye Richardson Green went to get AMVET permission. When she returned she stated they were not in session.

\*\*Motion Peggy Liss/2nd Clarice Poisson to have Faye request the AMVETS do a poll vote on our Ways and Means fundraising requests. CARRIED

The President’s theme this year is “Let’s Keep Climbing”. She asked all District Presidents to schedule a date for her official visit and inform her no later than Fall Conference. She has been invited to District VI on the Sunday of Fall Conference.

Fall Conference will be on October 8 and 9 at the Holiday Inn in Big Rapids.

Convention Chairman Peggy Liss asked for approval of Pat Michalski for Credentials Chairman and Rosemary Perdue for Attendance Prize Chairman. There was a discussion about Pat being able to do credentials when she is Parliamentarian and needs to be on the floor at all times during a session.

\*\*Motion Peggy Liss/2nd Sue Christe to approval Rosemary Perdue as Attendance Prize Chairman at Convention. CARRIED

Per Peggy, Credentials will be discussed at Fall SEC.

Announcements:

Clarice Poisson announced the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans Carnival is on Saturday, July 30. It is located at 3000 Monroe Ave in Grand Rapids. Clarice announced it will start at noon.

Harriet Biela announced the Golden Age Games will be held on July 10 thru the 14th. There is an article about it in the last newsletter.

President Seletha announced October 21-22-23 will be the Auxiliary Weekend at Higgins Lake Lodge. There will be a talent show because the President believes everyone has some kind of talent.

The closing prayer was given by Chaplain Sue Christe.

The flag was retired by Sgt-at-Arms Bert Lema.

The meeting was adjourned at 2pm.

Approved as written 8/14/16 Kathy Keizer, acting Parliamentarian

Approved as written 8/18/16 Seletha Robertson, Dept. President

Approved as written 8/24/16 PDP Faye Richardson-Green

Submitted by

Nancy Middleton, Secretary

August 10, 2016