

IRS-NCC Blacks In Government (BIG) Chapter Membership Meeting

Wednesday, May 31, 2017

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

NCFB Teleconference Room A0-101

ATTENDANCE: Marion Allen (RXI Council President), Nikki Ashe, Harold Blackford, Jerry Brown, Tammy Burrell, Paula Davis, Gavin Dhaness, Cynthia Dunn Eva Germany, Dora Holmes, Mary Hunter, Wanda Killingsworth, Anani Kuevey, Gerald Kyler, Leonard Logan, Lisa Nelson, Margaret Nnorom, Lynn Simpson, Joyce Steele, Tonya Swanson, Felicia Trevillion, Kevin Tomlinson, Josephine Wadley, Jerry Brown, Kevin Tomlinson, and Raymond Williams.

CALL TO ORDER/QUORUM:

Madame President officially called the meeting to order at 11:33 a.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Madame President called for a moment of silence.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

It was properly moved Gerald Kyler to adoption the agenda as present and seconded by Raymond Williams. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was properly moved by Leonard Logan to table the General Membership Meeting Minutes dated April 27, 2017 and seconded by Dora Holmes. Motion carried

Correspondence Report

Lynn Simpson – No Mail

Treasurer Report

Leonard Logan, Chair, provided a brief overview of April's Treasurer Report.

Committee Reports

Madam President informed the body that all committee reports are available on the website for review.

President's Report

Madam President stated no action items to report and report posted to website.

Membership

Gerald Kyler, Chair stated all regions are having a competition for recruiting the most members for the month of May. There is also a National Membership competition for the month of June to recruit and retain the most members. 1st Place – hotel funded for the whole week of the NTI. 2nd place – Paid Registration Fee for the NTI. 3rd Place – VIP Treatment at the NTI.

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Programs & Education

Dora Holmes, Chair reported that Juneteenth Program has been planned for June 14, 2017 but may be moved to June 28, 2017.

Fundraising

Nikki Ashe (Chair) and Martha Shephard stated that Chapter plans to have a Business Expo June 28, 2017, marketing people of different professions.

Community Outreach

Loretta Walker was not present.

AE/EEO

Cynthia Dunn stated report posted on the website.

By-Laws

Leonard Logan (Chair) stated that the By-Laws were given to President. Madam President will review and send out to the membership body for review/comments by July 5.

Regional Representatives

Lisa stated that she will be delivering the report for the meeting she attended on May 13, 2017.

Advisory Committee

Joyce Steele – Nothing to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

Newly Elected Officers Installation

The Installation Ceremony took place once Marion Allen Region XIC President and Officiating Officer arrived.

National Awards – Madam President briefly mentioned all the National Awards available.

Oratorical Contest – Anani stated that the Chapter had recruited on student for the Oratorical competition. However, the student withdrew. Region XI Programs & Planning Chair was notified that we will not be participating this year. But, we do plan to prepare early next year and also participate in the STEM and Robotics program. We also plan to contribute to giving scholarships to students.

Chapter Quarterly Reports to RXI BODs

Madam President stated it's time to submit our Chapter Quarterly Report to RXI Board of Director's.

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OLD BUSINESS

Region XI BIG Challenge (RXI Training Conference – May 20)

The Region is preparing for the Regional Training Conference on May 20, 2017 at the NOAA Building in Silver Spring, MD. It is suggested if you are available for this year's event, you should attend for the networking experience and for the informative training that is provided. Raymond Williams attended last year and stated that he really enjoyed it.

Hospitality – The chapter needs to decide what month will be good for us to sponsor the Hospitality for a Regional Meeting. Send any suggestions to Paula. Do we want to try before or after the NTI Conference?

NTI Chapter Assistance

The NTI is August 22 – 25, 2017 in Atlantic City, NJ. We have only one person to apply for assistance. BIG blocks have sold out at the Harrah's. We don't have any information regarding other hotels at the moment.

The National Delegates Assembly – We need 6 Delegates to conduct the business.

The NTI Souvenir Booklet deadline was extended. Ads are still being accepted.

Chapter 20th Anniversary (Aug)

Our 20th Anniversary – We will be having our celebration in September. We would like to have the Founders present and invite the National President as the guest speaker. We are anticipating the third week in September which will also be around the same time as the Black Caucus. Gerald Kyler and Joyce Steele are the contacts for this event.

Upcoming Events

Wanda Killingsworth, National President of FEW informed us that the FEW NTI will be taking place in New Orleans, LA at the Hilton Hotel July 17 – 20, 2017.

Madame President is being re-elected for the RXI National Recording Secretary.

There is a contact for the bus for people who would like to ride to Atlantic City for the NTI instead of driving. Tonya Swanson is waiting for the flyer and will distribute upon receipt.

Accomplishments

The bowling event was enjoyable and we received nothing but positive feedback regarding the event.

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The May 10, 2017 Vendor Show and the Bake Sale were a success.

We received the “Sterling Membership Award” for a Chapter with 50 – 100 members at the NTI last year.

It was properly moved by Gerald Kyler that the meeting be adjourned and seconded by Loretta Walker. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:19 PM.

Tonya C. Swanson
Recording Secretary, IRS NCC
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