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Minutes of the Chapter Meeting
EWI of Memphis
November 18, 2010

Call to Order

The November EWI of Memphis Chapter meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm at Southwind by President Kristi Richardson (FedEx Services.) She encouraged everyone to bid on the delicious bake sale items up to 6:45 p.m. She advised a “last call” announcement would be made 5 minutes prior to close of bids.

Roll Call

In attendance were: 25 active reps representing 36 firms; 0 sustaining members, 0 honorary members, 1 life member, 6 guests including the speaker, and 2 prospective members for a total of 34.

Board Installation

At the September Chapter meeting, Nominating Committee chair, Anna Hough, representing Captivating Interiors, recommended that Welby Stamps with Metropolitan Bank fill the open Secretary position on the Board effective January, 2011. Nominations remained open until September 29; however, no written nominations were received and Welby Stamps was installed as Secretary.

Invocation

Krissie Heuer, Business Equipment Center, gave the invocation.

Program

Jane Bratton, representing Smith & Nephew, introduced speaker Kimberly Medlock, Productive Matters, who talked about “getting organized for the holidays.”

Minutes

The October minutes were approved as posted on the website.

Treasurer’s Report

The October financial reports have been posted to the website and will be filed for audit.

2010-2011 Budget Discussion

The 2010-2011 proposed budgets were emailed to the membership on November 18, 2010 and presented to the membership by Peachie Bailey (B & L Embroidery) on behalf of Henri Vaskin (Deloitte Services, LP) for review and discussion at the Chapter meeting. The vote to approve the budget will be taken at the December Chapter meeting.

Membership Campaign

On behalf of Membership Chair, Paige Perkins (Memphis Grizzlies), Welby Stamps (Metropolitan Bank) reminded everyone about the Membership campaign to recruit 5 additional member firms.

Fundraising

Sybil Sides, Holiday Inn & Suites-Wolfchase, updated everyone on the various fundraising projects and the results of the Bake Sale. Proceeds from the Bake Sale were \$815.00 and the Silent Auction in October was \$4,523.00. She announced that a check was received from the Kroger Cards for \$313.00, that nut sales were continuing, and that at the December meeting the fundraising activities would be wine sales and “Nose to Toes.”

Philanthropy Project

Krissie Heuer, Business Equipment Center, thanked everyone on behalf of the BCDP committee for donations to our philanthropy project in December. She indicated that all items donated would be delivered to Major Alexander Snowden’s company of Marines in Afghanistan via helicopter drop in time for the Christmas holiday.

Program Committee Update

Jane Bratton, Smith & Nephew, announced that the December 9 Chapter meeting would be at Sheffield’s Antique Mall, 684 West Poplar. This will be a Firm Night for Captivating Interiors and the program would be “Successful Business Models for the Entrepreneur” presented by Mall Owner, Dana Voorhees, Consignees Anna Hough and Peggy Quinn. There will also be wine sales and shopping. NOTE: This is the SECOND Thursday of the month.

Announcements

- ✓ The December 2 Board Meeting will be hosted by Kristi Richardson and will be held at Kemmons Wilson.
- ✓ Congratulations to Janice Toshach who was recently promoted to Vice President of Business Development for BancorpSouth.
- ✓ Deadline for submissions to ***EWIConnect*** is November 22. Members were asked to send items of interest to Publications Director Cindy Lynch (including firm news, promotions, and other items of interest to the membership.)

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Approved by Kristi Richardson
2010-2011 President

Submitted by Cindy Lynch
Communications Director
(in the absence of a Secretary)