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Minutes of the Chapter Meeting
EWI of Memphis
January 27, 2011

Call to Order

The January EWI of Memphis Chapter meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm at the Bartlett Banquet Hall by President Kristi Richardson (FedEx Services). Due to inclement weather last week, the Board voted to postpone the meeting until January 27th.

Roll Call – Welby Stamps, Secretary (Metropolitan Bank)

In attendance were: 30 active reps, 4 sustaining member, 1 guests including, 1 potential member and 1 guest speaker, for a total of 37.

Invocation

Julia Chrestman (Interactive Solutions) gave the invocation. Afterwards everyone enjoyed their dinner.

Program

Jane Bratton (Smith & Nephew) recognized Melinda Edwards (Healthy Lifestyles) regarding Firm Night. Melinda Edwards introduced speaker, Renee Frazier.

Renee Frazier is CEO of the **Healthy Memphis Common Table** in Memphis, TN. She is an experienced leader in the health care management arena with expertise in hospital operations, managed care, volunteer and community service, health promotion, strategic planning, and organizational excellence. She is known for her advocacy towards greater transparency of health care quality indicators and patient experience report cards. She is also a strong leader in the Memphis-Shelby County Community addressing issues of Health Policy, Environmental Barriers, Health Equity and Community Engagement which will lead our Region to Better Health.

Minutes

The December minutes were approved as posted on the website.

Treasurer's Report

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

APPLAUSE Awards – Barbara Taylor, B/C/DP Director (FedEx Express)

The Applause Award was started in 2009 due to the economic hardships many of our representatives and firms face together in these current times. This award was developed as a method of “giving back” to three of our members who attended 10 or more Chapter meetings in 2010.

There were a total of 19 members who were eligible for this years Award program and the following individuals were congratulated for their commendable allegiance to our Chapter and for representing their firms in an exemplary manner. Certificates were handed out to each of these eligible representatives:

Perfect Attendance (6)

Jane Bratton	Smith & Nephew, Inc.
Cindy Lynch	Medtronic, Inc.
Paulette McMillin	Sparks Corp.
Martha Pallesen	Pallesen Consulting Services
Cissie Pryor	Living Health Day Spa
Martye Slayton	Kemmons Wilson Companies

Attended 11 Chapter Meetings (9)

Rose Ann Bradley	FedEx Services
Melinda Edwards	HealthyLifestyle Consultants
Krissie Heuer	Business Equipment Center
Jackie Hicks	Hicks Convention Services
Anna Hough	Captivating Interiors
Terrice Huggins	BancorpSouth
Kristi Richardson	FedEx Services
Peggy Quinn	University of Memphis
Deborah Vaughn	Lonesource, Inc.

Attended 10 Chapter Meetings (4)

Paige Perkins	Memphis Grizzlies
Janice Toshach	BancorpSouth
Martha Vanzant	Mednikow Jewelers
Henri Vaskin	DeLoitte Services

All of the eligible individual names were placed in a bag and Veda Ajamu (prospective member guest, National Civil Rights Museum) drew three names as the winners to receive complimentary annual dues for 2011.

The individuals selected were:

1. Rose Ann Bradley (FedEx Services)
2. Janice Toshach (BancorpSouth)
3. Henri Vaskin (DeLoitte Services)

There was an amendment to the Applause Awards. Rose Bradley declined accepting the Applause Award in fear of losing budget funding next year. A drawing for a replacement winner took place at the January Board of Directors meeting and Peggy Quinn was the winner.

Bylaws

Peachie Bailey announced that the Memphis Board plans to spearhead an effort to submit a proposed Corporate Bylaw change regarding the non-compete language. The floor was open for a brief discussion.

Fundraising

Sybil Sides gave a update of the fundraising efforts. Nut sales are continuing.

February Program Update

Program Director, Jane Bratton (Smith & Nephew, Inc.) gave an update on the February 17, 2011 Chapter Meeting, which will be held at the National Civil Rights Museum. We will also be installing the National Civil Rights Museum and Hampton Inn and Suites at the February meeting.

Announcements

- Articles for the ***EWICconnect*** are due to Communications Director, Cindy Lynch, by January 31, 2011.
- The February 10 Board meeting will be held at Kemmons Wilson at 5:30 pm and will be hosted by Jackie Hicks. Please contact Secretary Stamps if you would like to attend.
- If you have concerns that you wish to share with the membership, please email Julia Chrestman and she will promptly get the word out.
- Jennifer Thornton is ill and could not be here tonight, but asked to relay her sincere appreciation for all the cards, messages, thoughts and prayers regarding her husband Philip. He continues to improve each day.
- Congratulations were wished for member formerly known as Terrice Huggins ... Mr. and Mrs. Enochs were wed on December 31!
- January birthday wishes are extended to Carrie Ann Hardy, Grace Genzer and Henri Vaskin.
- Thanks were expressed to the reps who donated door prizes and wine for fundraising.
- President Kristi Richardson (FedEx Services) gave a special thanks to Melinda Edwards and Healthy Lifestyle Consultants for a wonderful Firm Night; to speaker, Renee Frazier; and to Frances with Bartlett Banquet Hall.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.