

Minutes of the Board Meeting
EWI of Memphis
February 10, 2011

Call to Order

The February EWI of Memphis Board Meeting was called to order by President Kristi Richardson (Fedex Services) at 6:38 p.m. Due to inclement weather the meeting was conducted via conference call.

Roll Call

Present:

Kristi Richardson, President
Jackie Hicks, Vice President/President Elect
Welby Stamps, Secretary
Henri Vaskin, Treasurer
Deborah Vaughn, Sergeant-At-Arms
Paige Perkins, Membership Director
Jane Bratton, Program Director
Cindy Lynch, Communications Director
Sybil Sides, Fundraising Director
Barbara Taylor, B/C/DP Director
Martye Slayton, Advisor
Peachie Bailey, Parliamentary Advisor

Minutes

A motion was made to approve the January Board minutes as distributed. The motion was approved. There were no changes to the January Chapter minutes. The minutes will be posted to the website, and will be presented for approval at the February Chapter meeting.

Vice President/President Elect - Jackie Hicks (Hicks Convention Services)

- Notices of the February 17, 2011 Chapter meeting were emailed to our media contacts on January 31, 2011.
- Current EWI roster was not emailed this month as there were no changes. Current roster will be made available at the February 17th meeting.

Communications

None

Treasurer's Report - Henri Vaskin (Deloitte Services, LP)

Cash balances as of January 31, 2011, are as follows:

General Operating Account	\$ 37,170.93
B/C/DP Account	\$ 7, 664.01
Restricted B/C/DP funds:	
Peggy Quinn Fellows	\$ 6,000.00
TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS:	<u>\$ 44,834.94</u>

- Transition to Metropolitan Bank has been completed. There are now only 2 accounts instead of 4 different accounts.
- Membership dues are due to Corporate by 2-18-2011.
- There will be 35 member firms for 2011. Twenty firms have already paid their dues. Fifteen have not paid but have verbally confirmed that they will be paid.

Sergeant-At-Arms - Deborah Vaughn (Lonesource)

For the January Chapter meeting, there were

- 26 Member Firms present, with 30 Representatives present
- 4 Sustaining Members
- 0 Honorary Members
- 3 Guests present (including 1 prospective member and 1 guest speaker)
- 0 Life member
- Total: 37

Membership - Paige Perkins (Memphis Grizzlies)

- Membership as of January 31, 2011:
Member Firms: 33
Active Reps: 37
Sustaining: 14
Life: 1
Honorary: 2
- Baptist Memorial Hospital was approved for posting by the Board.
- Two new members will be installed at the February meeting; Veda Ajamu with the National Civil Rights Museum and Amanda Voss with the Hampton Inn and Suites.
- Barbara Taylor will be awarded \$100 for her recruiting efforts in conjunction with our new membership campaign.

Programs – Jane Bratton (Smith and Nephew Inc.)

- The February 17, 2011, meeting will be held at the National Civil Rights Museum. The driving directions have been emailed. The dinner will be a buffet dinner catered by Karla Griffin with Cotton Boll. Jackie Hicks has graciously donated the linens for the evening so that it does not add to the cost of the dinner. Director Perkins asked that the installation of the new members take place at the beginning of the program.
- The March Meeting will be held at the University Club of Memphis. This will be a business meeting only with no speaker. It is being held on St. Patrick’s Day so everyone is encouraged to wear green.

Communications - Cindy Lynch (Medtronic)

- Director Lynch reminded the Board that the February issue of the Memphis Chapter EWI Connect was posted to the website February 3, 2011.
- The deadline to submit articles for the March issue will be February 28th in order to have it posted to the website no later than March 7th (10 days prior to the Chapter meeting).

Fundraising - Sybil Sides (Holiday Inn and Suites - Wolfchase)

- **Fundraising Events**

January Income

Nut Sales – Period to date	\$2,011.13
Kroger Rebate	\$500.50
Door Prizes - Chapter Meeting 1/27	\$ 85.00
Wine Sales - Chapter Meeting 1/27	\$110.00

- **Future Fundraising Event Plans**

Director Sides is attempting to get appointments with 2 golf courses for the best selection for the EWI Golf Tournament. Two meetings have been cancelled so far due to inclement weather. Director Sides is also planning a fundraising committee meeting ASAP to identify special projects for the remainder of the year. A cake walk and wine tasting were suggested as two of the ideas.

B/C/DP – Barbara Taylor (FedEx Express)

Director Taylor presented her report:

ASIST Scholarship

- January 27, 2011 –participated in Chapter Development Training Conference call.
 - Deadline for applications due to Chapter – April 29, 2011 (April 30 is a Saturday)
 - Chapter selects winners by June 1
 - July 1 – winning application (3 copies) must be received by Corporate (Form 25 – Application + 2 reference letters and Form 22)
 - August 5 – Corporate winners are notified.
 - Pat Desormeau, EWI of Tulsa, Corporate ASIST Chair shared a list of institutions besides colleges that her chapter has sent applications to which are listed below.
 - Goodwill Industries
 - The Parent Child Center of Tulsa
 - Resonance (this agency provides clothing to those in need, including those preparing for an interview)
 - Domestic Violence Intervention Services
 - Metropolitan Tulsa Urban League
 - Neighbor for Neighbor
 - Local branches of two 4-year public and private universities
 - Three local 4-year universities
 - Tulsa City-County Library
 - Several departments within our local 2-year community college plus one of its local branches
 - Tulsa area CareerTech – both its headquarters office and one of its local campuses
 - ITT Technical Institute
 - Community Care College (private institution)
 - List of Institutions for applications to be submitted to is being finalized by February 28, 2011.
 - Applications to be mailed out by March 7, 2011.
 - Director Taylor will send ASIST application to Rick Barnett so that it can be loaded on the website before applications are mailed out.

Parliamentary Advisor – Peachie Bailey

None

Advisor – Martye Slayton (Kemmons Wilson Companies)

Martye Slayton advised that she will be setting up a March meeting with the Nominating Committee.

Technology – Peachie Bailey

Rick Barnett asked that a limited number of members email him with any updates that need to take place on the website. If possible only the Communications Director, Treasurer, Secretary, and Peachie Bailey should email him with updates.

Bylaws – Peachie Bailey

Peachie Bailey stated how much she appreciated being able to talk to the members of the Corporate Board this evening about the possible changes being made to the Bylaws. Peachie Bailey and President Richardson will be sending out a document to the other Chapter Presidents discussing why this is a good time to address the non-compete language in the Bylaws.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

There will be a conference call on Monday to discuss the non-compete issue. President Richardson asked that as many members as possible participate in the call. Since three Board members will be travelling during the current April Board date, President Richardson asked that the meeting be moved to either Monday, April 18, or Tuesday, April 19. A decision will be based on everyone's availability. Jane Bratton is scheduled to host the meeting.

Peggy Quinn and Anna Hough are planning to attend the Spring Conference April 14, 2011. Paige Perkins expressed her appreciation for the notes and prayers she and her Mother received from the members for her Father.

Announcements

The next Board meeting will be held on March 10th at 5:30 pm at Holiday Inn- Wolfchase and hosted by Sybil Sides.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

