

The Detroit (MI) Chapter of The Links, Inc.
Meeting Minutes
May 10, 2023

Call to Order: 6:32 pm by President Patricia White

Linkspiration: Alumna poem read by Link Jeanne Wardford and friendship bingo.

Hymn followed by Pledge

Attendance / Roll Call: Taken by Link Yolanda Bates. A quorum was established. All active members were present except: Alecia Ashford-Taylor, Denise Brooks-Williams, Tamira Chapman, Christina Clark, Deborah Ford, Shirley Mobley-Woods, Linda Parker, Khalilah Spencer, and Iris Taylor.

President's Report - Link Patricia White

- Link Kristi Stepp is our new Program Chair.
- Annual planning retreat will be in August.
- Link Deborah Ford and Alumna Beth DunCombe will be honored for 40 years of service at the Central Area Conference.
- Link Cynthia Taeug received the Chapter friendship award. She will be recognized at the Central Area Conference.
- President's Award special acknowledgement goes to Link Marcia Holland Turner. The President's Award was presented to Links Marcia Holland Turner, Allison Martin and Denise Brooks Williams.

Treasurer's End of Year Report - Link Tyra Evans

- The Treasurer's Report was received and placed on file.
- Link Tyra gave a comprehensive review of the Chapter's expenditures and revenue for the program year.
- We have \$28,500 in our fundraising account with National. The money can be used for fundraisers or allocated to programming.

Vice-President's Report - Link Kim Keaton-Williams

- Attendance requirements have been reinstated. Members are required to attend 5 meetings. The retreat counts as a meeting.
- We are welcoming Link Beverly Green back.
- Link Carol Garibaldi resigned for personal reasons.
- Link Judy Summers will be transferring to a chapter in Chicago.
- Link Cynthia Taeug is moving to alumna status.

- We will be voting on membership in the fall. We currently have 48 members, and we can have a maximum of 60 members, not including Daughters of Links. In our membership survey, we identified our needs as fundraising, grant writing, technology, social media, and community outreach and partnership.
- The Summer Soiree will be Friday, June 23rd at 6:30 pm at the Detroit Athletic Club.
- If you haven't attended a conference since 2017, you must attend the Central Area Conference in Chicago.

Programming - Link Joanna Wells Masten

- Link Joanna thanked all the facet chairs for all their hard work and presented them with certificates. She also presented certificates to members of the chapter that supported programming.

New Business

- Link Roshunda Price thanked everyone for their condolences and expressions of love for the loss of her sister.
- Link Lauren Sanders informed the Chapter that the Tuskegee Airmen will be having a gala in November and suggested that it would be an opportunity for the Chapter to connect and collaborate with them.

Meeting Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 pm.