

EWI Roanoke Executive Board Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2008

The March Board of Directors meeting was held Schaal's Metamorphosis and called to order at 4:15 p.m. by Leslie Coty, President.

Other Members attending: Becky Beard, Linda Mack, Libby Camper, Amanda Schaal, Wanda Hatchett, Ashley Austin, Corrie Bowers, Tonya Harper, Michelle Chambers and Jo Lynn Seifert.

OLD BUSINESS, Membership Drive:

Continue encouraging members to invite guests to meetings.

NEW BUSINESS, Guest Welcome Packets:

Leslie distributed a sample of the new welcome packet which is still open to suggestions. They will be distributed at every meeting starting tonight.

It was suggested that a Member Recruitment Night could be a deck party at Tonya's home. This will be revisited at the next meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (Tonya Harper)

Tonya reported the chapter as solvent and distributed copies of February's financial report. There is a total of \$20,539.51 in combined General and Investment accounts. Chapter's membership fee has been paid. An audit committee needs to be formed comprising the Tonya Harper, Michelle Chambers, another board member (Libby Camper volunteered) and a non-board member. The committee needs to meet in April to prepare for June's audit.

MEMBERSHIP REPORTS:

An ad hoc committee has been formed to take over for Anna Karbassiyoon who is still on the West Coast caring for her son during his rehabilitation from surgery.

Leslie proposed to keep the Real Estate slot open to Lana Seale until March 31st as she wants to rejoin EWI. All were in favor to extend this as a courtesy in view of her past valuable contributions and loyalty to the chapter.

PROGRAMS/ SPEAKERS 2008: (Corrie Bowers)

Jo Lynn reported that Kathy Surace (Business Journal columnist of "Dress Code") is willing to be a speaker and will receive confirmation soon that she's available for May 12th's program. Corrie will coordinate details with Kathy as soon as she confirms. All agreed a topic along the lines of "Piecing a wardrobe together" would be desirable.

June and July speakers need to be determined and a few suggestions were made to follow up on and hopefully finalized by the next meeting.

PUBLICATIONS: (Ashley Austin)

Ashley has developed a new look for the website and she'll be adding a new page about "How to Join EWI". Old information is being deleted from view and a line has been added about the April 7th deadline to apply for the scholarship. Ashley will email future PULSE newsletters to

the Board for opinions before sending to the General Membership. Leslie applauded Ashley for a wonderful job on the PULSE newsletter.

Amanda said EWI needs to apply to be the registrant in and keep the present domain name, EWI-Roanoke.org so as to circumvent Carol Kirtley (registrant) especially in view of the fact we're out of communication with her. Leslie will try to locate her and get her to relinquish the domain name.

DIRECTOR-at-LARGE, Scholarship: (Amanda Schaal)

Amanda has received applications from 4 qualified prospects. April 7th is the deadline to apply.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: (Linda Mack)

Responses to RSVP's for meeting attendance has improved. Members need to remind guests about the deadline to RSVP and receive their payments a week ahead of the deadline as Linda needs them a week ahead.

WAYS and MEANS: (Libby Camper)

1st Fridays selected EWI as one of the participating non-profits for their 2008 season; our dates to work are May 2 & Oct 3. Please put these dates on your calendar now!

Ukrop's approved EWI for their "Earn Cash for your Charity" fundraiser (February to end of March) which is on the back of store receipts. Everyone who spends \$100 gets 1 point per dollar spent. Ask friends to deem EWI as the recipient.

READING RALLY, Hurt Park Elementary: (Becky Beard)

If anyone who has signed up to read on a particular date and cannot attend, be sure to take responsibility to get her own replacement.

The finale date was changed from May 2nd to May 9th. Everyone who can was requested to bring company items for the teacher goody bags; these items need to be brought to the April meeting. Awards will be given to the top reader in each class; every student participating will receive a certificate. Target gift cards for \$50 will be purchased as teacher gifts. Becky will ask the teachers for details. Corrie will prepare Frito-Lay gift bags for both classes and Becky will get the count to Corrie.

Wanda will email all a new membership roster.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Lynn Seifert, Secretary