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A meeting of the Chapter Membership of the Westchester County (NY) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated was called to order by the President Dianne Young, on January 26, 2016, at 7:15pmEST at the Crown Plaza in White Plains, New York. The Recording Secretary Quay Wallace Watkins was present. A quorum was present. The following members were present: Joyce Mills Kittrell, Pricilla Hambrick Dixon, Brenda Jackson-Butcher, Sandi Grannum, Dianne Young, Helen Blackwood, Dawna Michelle Fields, Mary Spells, Terrilynne Jenkins, Marilyn Price, Delores Scott Brathwaite, Donna Dozier Gordon, Lisa Stockmon, Ann Moore, Hillary Fleming, Mary Graves, Jackie Boucher, Lisa Stenson Desamours, Ruby Sherwood, Karen Hill, Bettye Perkins, Claudia Edwards, and Yolanda Kelly-Cannick.

Reflections: Link Mary Spells

Committee Reports:

President's Report: Link Dianne Young

The order of the agenda items were rearranged in order to prioritize the presentation of the candidates for membership. Members are encouraged to try to make every effort to attend Chapter meetings and to think about meeting options such as meeting during the evenings. Those who attended the recent meeting held on a Tuesday evening were pleased with that option.

A brief overview of the Eastern Area Summit was discussed. The Big Apple Cluster is working on pulling together a Summit as part of a Cluster Retreat. Reports from the Summit were disseminated to Facet Chairs, Officers, and Committee Chairs. Members are encouraged to attend the Big Apple Cluster Go Red event on Feb. 14th, located at Antioch Baptist Church on Long Island.

Presentation of candidates for membership: Link Terry Jenkins

The summaries of the candidates were read and the sponsors said a few words in support of their candidates. Additional comments of support were made by members. All six candidates were voted in by the membership. The Teller's Report is attached.

Finance Report: Link Hillary Flemming

Link Dianne thanked the Finance Committee for all of the time spent developing the budget. The Budget reflects the lack of a major fundraiser. Note: if we do not have a Fundraiser next year, we will have to Assess ourselves in order to fund

Chapter Programs. Link Hillary reminded members of the due date for their Membership Dues, Feb. 27th. Link Terry made a presentation on the June 2015 Java & Jazz 65th Anniversary Gala. There are still openings for Java & Jazz Chairs for 2017. The 2016-2017 budgets were presented by Link Hillary. Link Hillary made a Motion to approve the budgets for May 1, 2016-April 30, 2017, for the Operating, FBO, and Program accounts. The Motion was seconded. The Motion was approved unanimously.

December Beginning Balance Operating Account:	\$24,276.73
December Ending Balance Operating Account:	\$22,826.96

December Beginning Balance FBO Account:	\$75,310.44
December Ending Balance FBO Account:	\$75,310.44

December Beginning Balance Program Account:	\$9,941.52
December Ending Balance Program Account:	\$5,421.62

Membership Report: Link Terry Jenkins

The Service Hours reports were circulated to each member. Link Terry made a Motion that the chapter accept the request of Link Ruby for a leave of absence for the 2016-2017 program year. The Motion was approved unanimously. Members who have joined the Chapter within the last few years must go online by April 1, 2016, to pay their Building Assessment. A motion to approve the December minutes was made by Quay Wallace Watkins. The Motion was seconded and the minutes were approved.

Announcements:

The Jacob Burns Film Center is having a showing on January 31, 2016. Art Beat was prepared by Link Louise and circulated. Link Sandi encouraged members to submit any recommended changes to the By-Laws to her so the committee can consider. The HHS committee per Link Dawna asked Members to wear Red to the February Chapter meeting. Link Delores announced a Delta Sigma Theta screening of RACE on Feb. 20th, AMC in Port Chester.

Correspondence: Link Quay Watkins & Link Mary Graves

Link Quay read a thank you note from Link Dawna for the support she received upon the passing of her mother. Link Mary read a thank you notes from Link Helen Blackwood for attending her swearing in ceremony; Dr. Gomez who attended the college session for the Young Achievers Program; the Whartburg President for the Legacy Award. He also said that the Link members always make the residents feel warm by their presence.

A motion was made by Link Lisa Stenson-Desamours to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:49pm.

Quay Wallace Watkins, Esq. Recording Secretary

