

Westchester County (NY) Chapter, The Links, Incorporated

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Linked in Friendship, Connected in Service

Executive Committee meeting – 11/15/17 DRAFT

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Westchester County (NY) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated was called to order by the President Terry Joyner on November 15, 2017 at 7:08pm. A quorum was not present. Attendees: Links Jackie Boucher, Barbara Edwards, Sandra Grannum, Terry Joyner, Yolanda Kelly Cannick, Joyce Mills Kittrell, Carol Morales Riggs and Dianne Young.

Call to Order

Approval of Minutes - Minutes were not put forth for vote due to there not being a quorum.

President's Report- Link Terry

Chapter Operations

- There are three outstanding E/C minutes that have not been approved, due to lack of quorum at E/C meetings. Link Dianne suggested E/C meeting scheduled at 9:00 am before the December Chapter meeting.
- Chairs are late posting reports. This affects communications. Chairs are asked to be more sisterly and timely in getting their reports posted.
- If Chairs are communicating an emergency, please text, vs email, in order to get a timely response.
- The Chapter has been doing a lot of activity since E/C's last meeting: e.g. YA and LIFE program meetings, Dental Van, Scholarship applications, Arts State of Mind, Voter Education, reaching out to Links Sisters who experienced loss.
- **Eastern Area President's** meeting update: Important to submit updated information for all Chairs and Officers in order to get the correspondence from the respective Eastern Area Chairs and Officers.
 - = Provided a recap of the Code of Ethics Best Practices. Link Terry will give them to Link Delores and ask that she cover with the Chapter.
 - = Archives presentation and template was given to help preserve chapter history & documents
 - = Scott Hawkins deadlines were given
 - = Technology presentation to help chapters update their individual websites
 - = Organization Effectiveness will be covered on the next EA President's call

No Treasurer's report. Link LaTia is scheduling a Finance Committee meeting

Financial Secretary Report given by Link Terry (Detailed report in Chapter's Members only section)

- 80% Hostess fees paid
- Journal ad money received from Law Firm for J & J
- \$43,362 collected

Membership Committee – Link Yolanda

- Developed two timelines for new member intake due to outstanding bylaws amendment.
- Dates and locations for Orientation and Induction were communicated. Link Terry asked for specific date for new members to take the Test – it will be added to Orientation 3. Link Terry stated date for Induction should be presented to Chapter.
- Friendship activities update – Clay Art session, December 8th.
For December Chapter meeting / Holiday party, all members are asked to bring a gift (\$25.00

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value) for an exchange. Members also asked to wear 'ugly sweater'.

Link Barbara E. asked the status of the Links History Book. Still open.

- Link Jennifer L. agreed to track and communicate Members Service Hours.

Bylaws – Link Sandi G.

Friendly amendment needed to address Chapter bylaws requirement.

ITS Facet – Link Jackie B.

- = Integrated with Arts Facet to take LIFE students to Neuberger Museum to see Romare Beardon Exhibit on Dec. 21st,
- = Link Delores B. reconnecting with Skyping initiative between Woodlands LIFE and Ghana school
- = VAM / Nana update will be provided by Link Delores B.
- = LIFE students will read TaNahisi Coates book and have a book discussion.
- = Celebration for Link Dawna F. by UN Association at their USA Celebration Day
- = America Street Nov.14, cancelled
- = Link Terry J. asked about MOU from WMHS, MVHS and Gorton HS
- = Yonkers H.S. has major initiative with My Brother's Keeper. They asked Links to collaborate.
- = Model UN at Fairfield U. scheduled after Thanksgiving.

STY Facet – Link Joyce K.

- = Nov. 29, Dress for Success scheduled at NRHS
- = Met with superintendent at Woodlands HS. 20 YAs selected. Meetings scheduled Dec. 7 & 13th. Meeting with Principal the following week.

ARTS Facet – Link Lisa S-D

- = Looking to involve YA students in creation of the Mural for Art State of Mind.
- = Romare Beardon Tour
- = Purchasing an Romare Bearden Art book for the L.I.F.E. students
- = Link Terry asked Arts Facet to look into a Chapter Arts / Friendship activity.
- = Looking into interactive Arts Workshop at Schaumburg Black Power exhibit which closes Dec.30, 2017 / Power in print closes Mar 31, 2018...
- = Take students to see Mudbound ???
- = Classic thru the Ages – reaching out to ITS.
- = Link Helen leading Poster Art
- = Arts evaluating Lion Kink performance with a talk focused on costume design; Hamilton; ...
- = Arts portion of College trip – Insurance is determining factor.
- = Art Beat developed for distribution at Dec. Chapter meeting

Legislative Affairs – Link Terry

- = Voter Education Nov. 1 / expanded thru FB & Twitter campaign (Link Dana.)
- = Link Dawna will also post on EA site. EA will re-tweet.

Scholarship – Link Terry

- = sent 16 Care Packages
- = Reviewed Applications. Link Donna G. put applications online (Chapter web site)
- = Missed opportunity in Sept / Oct to meet with parents

HHS Facet – Link Terry

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= Scheduling dates in Feb / Mar 2018 for Dental Van

NTS Facet – No Report

= Link Terry – Facet is undecided about doing the Alzheimer's Symposium. Also looking at Girl Trafficking

J&J Update:

= Update mtg held Nov. 12, 2017. See Link Claudia's report.

= Link Terry - 2 Link Members have not fulfilled their Assessment. Give them a Dec. 31st deadline.

Link Terry preparing draft letter. Letter should be sent Certified mail.

RECOMMENDATION>>> Add Deadline dates in the Motions for Assessments.

Unfinished Business

Taraji Books > No progress. They need to be donated. Suggested Link Labels be placed in the books. Need to schedule pick up dates

New Business

= Link Terry – How do we improve our Sisterly connections? Suggest spend 5-10 minutes - open moments for Links to share during chapter meeting

Announcements:

= Link Belinda M. recognized by Westchester Magazine; Link Joyce K, elected as President of her AKA Chapter - Link Barbara E.

= National Webinars (see email), reminder attendance earns 'Service Hours'

= Chapter Financial donation to VAM, deferred to Spring, 2018 – Link Delores B.

= Nov. 28th, Program meeting for Facet Chairs – Link Terry

= Oct / Nov / Dec birthdays acknowledged

The meeting adjourned at 9:15pm