

77th ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION
2ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
MINUTES
Sunday, August 2, 2020

8:30-9:00 a.m. Incoming and Outgoing offices met to exchange information for the year 2020-2021.

9:00 a.m. Linda Leveridge called for seating and doors to be closed.

Darla Barton State Chaplain presented "Celebration of Life" for eight members who were deceased. She had framed a picture of each member and gave their obituaries. She had a gold candle by each framed picture. At this time she asked if anyone had a special memory of the honorees. She wanted each of us to share in their lives. Darla shared a reading of the poem "Dash". Each picture was presented to the member's chapter. Honored were:
Laura Robinson, Charlotte Killough, Carol Applegate, Helen Weaver, Wanda Lucas, Virginia Shadrick, Deborah Martin, Byrdie Emanuel.

Linda Leveridge called the 2nd General Assembly to order.

Robyn Ryan made motion to forego minutes of 1st General Assembly and they will be printed in the Petticoat Journal. Motion seconded by Margaret Kramer. Motion carried.

Linda requested all chapters give their attendance sheets to Sylvia Ochs. There were 44 members and 2 guests making a total of 46 present. There were 18 chapters represented.

The IC and MARC reps were not present due to Virus.

The presentation of gifts was held. Linda received a silver tray from the State Board. Gwyn Nell Swanson presented her with the Petticoat Journal. The Publicity book prepared by Jennifer Sparkman was presented by Sylvia Ochs. Linda Jones gave her gift. Sandy Lackey gave her report to Linda outlining her Presidential year. Sharon Storm, Linda's corresponding Secretary gave her a weekend at the Stone Lion Inn weekend retreat in Guthrie.

The meeting was interrupted by the Senior Senioresses who escorted Linda to another stage to check and see if she would be asked to join their group of special ladies. After much 'shall we say' review, she was finally accepted. Yeah.

Linda gave her farewell address to the group.

Then she introduced Mona Johnson, our new President for 2020-2021.

The Lowering and Raising of the Gavels was held by Tawana Cathey and Janette Murray.

Mona's theme for her year is "ESA Makes Beautiful Music". She introduced only her Executive Board because several General Board members were absent. Each was given a toy musical instrument with an explanation for each person.

The drawing for next year's convention registration was won by Rita Hains. The 50-50 drawing was won by Ramona Bench (\$186.00)

The lowering of the flags was conducted by Dr. Billye Putnam.

Meeting adjourned with the closing ritual.

Sylvia Ochs, Recording Secretary