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'Meaningful Membership' A Vice President's Chat

Season II, Session 3

Preparing for Intake and voting

November 9, 2016

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November 2016 VP Chat

AGENDA

Welcome/Overview

- National Membership Moments
- Central Area Highlights
- Membership Matters
- Spotlight: Membership Intake: Voting and Balloting
  Link Sarah Brown-Clark, Youngstown (OH)
- Q and A
- Wrap-up/ Roll Call

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National Membership Moments

Completed 3 National Membership webinars

- All presentations will be posted shortly on the National Website

Administrative Update

- Membership Manual revision-

  Target date of completion, Dec. 2016

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Central Area Updates

Area Director, Link Glenda Masingale Manson

- 2017 Area Conf. Minneapolis June 7-11, 2017

  Submit suggestions for workshops, also share fundraising contacts
- Upcoming 70th Anniversary Celebration Philadelphia, Pa. November 12-13th
- Successful Fundraiser – Flint for Kids, hosted by Michigan chapters $100K raised
- Chapter Milestones

  Hendersonville (TN)

  Little Rock (AR)

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Central Area Updates, cont.

Area Secretary –Link Jill

One in Five timeline

- By Oct. 30 Chapter Secretary runs a 1 in 5 report, distributes to chapter members to verify accuracy
- By Nov. 30 Chapter member reports any discrepancies to the Chapter Secretary
- By Dec 15th- Chapter Secretary sends changes to Area Secretary

Central Area Updates, cont.

Area Nominating Chair – Link Joyce Carter

- Nomination period for 2017-2019 Area officers has closed
- Additional instructions will be sent to all members shortly

Communications –Link Bonita Cornute

- Holiday greeting SUBMISSION DEADLINE is Dec 1st
- Greeting can be a photo or 8 sec video clip
- Forward your greeting to bugsact@gmail.com on or before Dec 1st
- Requesting comm chair contact info from each chapter to: bcornute3@yahoo.com

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MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

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Membership checklist October

October

- ✓ 1st opportunity to present Candidates
- ✓ 1st opportunity to vote on DOL's, GDOL's
- ✓ Membership committee outlines intake calendar and presents to chapter (deadline for submission of candidates, when candidates will be presented to chapter, when voting will take place)
- ✓ Final touches on Friendship Activity

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Membership checklist November

November

- Celebrate Friendship month/Founders Day
- 1st opportunity to vote on regular candidates
- 2nd opportunity to present candidates
- Online submission of candidates profile continues
- Review roster for members who have missed meetings, send notifications as needed
- Nov 30th deadline to receive Reinstatement letters

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Membership checklist Dec/Jan

- Candidate presentation and voting continues
- Secretary reports 1 in 5 discrepancies
- Dec. deadline to complete transfer paperwork
- Dec. deadline for Alumna members desiring to return to active status
- Submit approved candidates for Area and Nat'l approval
- DO NOT SHARE WITH CANDIATES THAT THEY ARE UNDER CONSIDERATION UNTIL AREA AND NAT'L APPROVALS ARE CONFIRMED

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National Assembly and Area Conference Attendance Periods

IF YOU WERE INDUCTED IN:	YOUR INITIAL 5 YR. PERIOD IS:	YOUR NEXT 5 YR. PERIOD IS:	YOUR NEXT 5 YR. PERIOD IS:
2010	2010-2017	2018-2022	2023-2027
2011	2011-2017	2018-2022	2023-2027
2012	2012-2017	2018-2022	2023-2027
2013	2013-2017	2018-2022	2023-2027
2014	2014-2017	2018-2022	2023-2027
2015	2015-2022	2023-2027	
2016	2016-2022		

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National Assembly and Area Conference Attendance Periods

- A member who is inducted with 3 or more years remaining in her first 5 year period must attend a National Assembly or Area Conference within that period.
- A member who is inducted with only 1 or 2 years remaining in her first 5 year period will have until the end of the next 5 year period to attend a National Assembly or Area Conference.
- All members inducted in 2009 or prior to are in the current five year period of 2013-2017.

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Total Dues and Fees NEW Members 2017-18

The Links, Incorporated	$525.00
The Link Foundation, Incorporated	$245.00
TOTAL (Nat'l Dues)	$770.00
Chapter Fees	$770.00
Max Total Induction fees	**$1,540.00**

***This total includes chapter dues for the 1st yr.**

***All new members have to pay a $600 building assessment due in full by the April 1 of the 3rd yr of membership.**

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Total Dues and Fees

Reinstatement Candidates 2017-18

Reinstatement fee	$500.00
The Links, Incorporated	$200.00
The Link Foundation, Incorporated	$ 85.00
TOTAL	$785.00
Plus Chapter Dues	TBD

***Any past National or Local dues and assessments must be paid prior to reinstatement**

***Reinstating members do not pay NEW member fees, regardless of how long they've been separated from The Links**

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Featured Presenter

Membership Intake:
Candidate
Voting and Balloting

Link Sarah Brown-Clarke
Central Area Parliamentarian
Youngstown (OH)

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Membership Intake Voting and Balloting

The Process

VP Membership reports to chapter the number of profiles rec'd, reviews # slots available, sets date to present candidates and a date to vote. Chapter can vote on reinstatements and/or DOL's/GDOL's first if preferred.

Selection of an Elections Committee

- Prior to any voting takes place, the President appoints an Elections Committee.
- President determines the number of members needed (odd number 3, 5, etc.) and who will chair the Committee.
- This Elections Committee can also serve as the Teller Committee

Member voting cont..

Duties of the Election Committee

- Charged with developing protocol for voting procedures and preparing ballots. Chapter ‘shall’ have a procedure prior to voting
- Elections must be by ballot. Prior to voting, determine how hypothetical outcomes must be resolved (votes ties, more candidates that slots available, etc.)
- Elections Committee brings recommendation of procedures to membership for agreement (by vote) prior to voting on candidates.

Member voting, cont.

Election/Teller Committee Duties

- Prepares the ballot, all candidates' names must be on the ballot, ballots must have a 'Yes' and a 'No' box for each candidates.
- Distribute and collect ballots
- Supervises the casting of votes
- Confirm number of votes needed for acceptance
- Prepare Teller report

Member voting, cont.

- *Prepares the Teller Report*
  - Total # of votes cast for each candidate
  - # of votes necessary for membership (majority or two-thirds)
  - # of votes received for each candidate
  - Notes any Spoiled ballots

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Member voting, cont.

- Election committee Chair reports the results, first to the President and then to the body
- President repeats the report for the minutes announcing accepted candidates for membership.

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Interested in becoming a VP VOICE?

Join the monthly VP Voices segment

- Seasoned Vice Presidents 2yrs+
- Interested in sharing their wisdom on an upcoming VP chat
- Present 5 minutes during a monthly VP chat

Possible topics

- Building a strong relationship with your Chapter President
- Setting Guidelines and expectations
- Resolving conflict, encouraging unity

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