Eliza Lucas Pinckney NASAR Chapter meeting January 24, 2021

At 2 pm Regent Jill Templeton called the meeting to order. This meeting was a Virtual Meeting on a zoom call format.

Members in attendance

Jill Templeton

Michele Ballard

Jayne Larion

Elizabeth Pinnell

Beth Lee

Tiffany Silverman

Karen McCay

Ivy Blake

Hatsy Bayse

Elizabeth Schwartz

Lauri Lechner

Paula Hart

Claudia Farmer

Sue Hanshaw

Laura Thompson

Nancy Gissell

Renee Gibson

Pat Sayko

Mike Defoe

Cathy Hill

Mary Lucas

Connie Brailsford

Karie Ann Crowther

Bonnie Bohme

Melissa Levesque

Lane Becken

Nancy Davidonis

Mary Pinckney

Leslie Harrelson

Faye Dandridge

Regent Templeton welcomed everyone and announced that there was a quorum present.

Claudia Farmer gave the opening prayer.

Regent Templeton explained the purpose of the Nominating committee. "Nominating Committee: per Article V, Section 2 of chapter by-laws, states a nominating committee of 5 members must be created at the January meeting and are charged with presenting a slate of officers for election, a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the chapter's annual business meeting."

Regent Templeton called for nominees.
Karie Ann Crowther nominated Melissa Levesque
Lane Becken nominated Claudia Farmer
Beth Lee nominated Ivy Blake
Melissa Levesque nominated Pat Sayko
Claudia Farmer nominated Paula Hart
All five nominees accepted and said they would serve

Regent Templeton closed the nominations and called for motions to elect the nominees.

Nancy Davidonis moved that the nominations for the Nominating Committee be approved by a chapter vote. Karen Mccay second the motion. Regent Templeton called the chapter to vote yay or nay for the slate. There were no nays. The slate for the nominating committee stands as elected.

Next on the agenda was to select State Conference Delegates.

Regent Templeton announced the 125th Hybrid State Conference will be held March 18-20, 2021 at the North Charleston Marriott. She explained that members have the option to attend in person or virtually. Chapter Regent is an automatic delegate. Pat Sayko also is an automatic delegate. With 4 additional delegates and 2 alternate delegates required.

Regent Templeton called for nominees to be delegates to the SCDAR State Hybrid Conference.

Paula Hart nominated Claudia Farmer

Beth Lee nominated Laura Thompson

Karen McCay nominated Ivy Blake

Melissa Levesque nominated Karen McCay

Alternate delegates:

Laura Thompson nominated Lane Becken

Nancy Davidonis nominated Melissa Levesque

Regent Templeton closed nominations and called for a motion to elect the delegates. Elizabeth Schwartz moved for the membership to accept the delegates. Nancy Davidonis seconded the motion. Jill called for members to vote yay or nay. There were no nays. The delegates to State Conference stands as elected.

Jill called for any questions or discussion on what a hybrid conference was. The Covid Pandemic is the reason the conference is being planned as hybrid style. She stated that no one would be mandated to attend. Voting will be done electronically whether the delegates are there in person or voting virtually. The President General and 6 other state regents are invited to attend the conference. The conference will be videoed and made available for viewing. Jill stated that any member under 40 years of age can serve as a page. She asked that anyone interested please email her.

District 6 is hostess this year for the conference. Jill said that the state DAR is working on replacement hostesses in case we don't have enough members able to attend in person from District 6. ELP is in district 6 and is responsible for table decorations and favors for the President General's dinner Friday night. The conference center is only allowing 50% occupancy and tables will be limited to 6 members per table. Temperatures will be taken, masks are mandated and a covid waiver must be signed for members to attend in person. Jill explained how to sign on to SCDAR website to get all forms needed to register for conference. Regent Templeton stated that Mary Whyte would be one of the guest speakers. She is hoping to have the real award to present to Mary Whyte.

Micki Sieracki is district 6 director and will be sending out instructions to the delegates on how to vote on line. There would be 3 live sessions. Business and installations of State Officers. Melissa Levesque is to be installed as State Curator.

There was a question as to what the theme for the state conference is. Some thought it was patriotism and some Rise & Shine. Regent Templeton will get back to us about the theme and asked that those interested in helping with table decorations email Laura Thompson.

Jill asked Renee Gibson to assist with making cockaid type decorations for the district 6 members to wear as identification.

Ivy Blake announced that the Lineage Research Committee will meet on Feb. 13 at the Family History Center. Only 5 members can attend. Ivy asked that anyone interested to please email her.

Lane Becken is working on the newsletter. She asked for all committee chairs to send her a small write up on what the committee does and send any announcements to her email address, lane.becken@gmail.com

Regent Templeton gave the Sunshine Report. Trish Francis has broken her arm. Linda Maynard, her sister has had back surgery. Ashton Hooker has gotten married, Connie Brailsford said her fiancé will be awarded the Silver Crescent

Award by the State of SC. Michele Ballard said her mother, Marjorie Manigault is doing as well as possible being isolated during covid.

Beth Lee gave the benediction prayer.

Regent Templeton announced that the next meeting will be Feb 14th. The meeting was ended at 2:47pm.

Respectfully submitted, Beth M. Lee