



STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING  
Summary of Minutes

April 14, 1983  
Governor's Club, T'hassee

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Nancy Ford at 8:35 p.m.

Members

present:

Martha Barnett  
Geneva Flaherty  
Patti Griffiths  
Mildred Grizzard  
Linda Hanna  
Dora Harrison  
Doris Housholder  
Janifer Judisch

Lucile Leigh  
Lana Jane Lewis-Brent  
Elizabeth Mann  
Karen Matteson  
Lois Nixon  
Barbara Pankau  
Edna Saffy

Staff

present:

Eleanor Hubbard, Executive Director  
Joanne Rock, Newsletter Editor

Members

absent:

Del Fox  
Robin Krivanek

Mary Robinson  
Audrey Vickers

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Meeting began with a general discussion regarding response to this two-day meeting and evolved into a discussion concerning our goals, purposes, etc. Martha Barnett suggested group examine reasons for meeting in Tallahassee. If one reason is to make an impact on legislators, she feels it can't be done by coming to town on Thursday evening; must be at least Wednesday. Lois Nixon suggested group meet only every third year in Tallahassee. Question raised as to whether or not Network should begin taking stands on issues; need for bridging gap between homemaker and businesswoman, etc.

RETREAT RECOMMENDED

Because it appeared evident that some long-range planning is needed on these and other questions, it was suggested that a two-day retreat be planned for the Steering Committee during the summer. SC members will be polled to determine date convenient for most, and plans will be finalized.

JANUARY 29 ACTIONS RATIFIED

Jan Judisch made a motion that all actions be ratified and minutes be approved for meeting of January 29, 1983; second by Karen Matteson...passed.

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## FINANCIAL REPORT

In the absence of Robin Krivanek, Eleanor Hubbard reported a balance on hand to date of \$18,613.88. Of this, approximately \$4,000 is income for the current meeting. Balance as of 1/1/83 had been \$2,053.82.

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Chairman Lois Nixon proposed the following slate:

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| * President      | Nancy Ford, Tampa         |
| * Vice President | Mary Robinson, Fort Myers |
| Secretary        | Doris Housholder, Daytona |
| Treasurer        | Robin Krivanek, Tampa     |

Steering Committee members: (expiration date noted)

Kay Fahringer, Miami (1985) - replaces  
Dixie Swenson who resigned  
Mildred Grizzard, L'land (1986) re-election  
Robin Krivanek, Tampa (1986) same  
Karen Matteson, Sarasota (1986) same  
Mary Robinson, Ft. Myers (1986) same  
Geneva F. Flaherty, St. Pete (1986)  
Marilyn Crotty, Orlando (1986)  
Bernadine Spanjers, Winter Haven (1984) re-  
places Georgia Newman who resigned

\* Nominating Committee suggested Chair be identified as President and Vice Chair be identified as Vice President so that they can be recognized as the presiding members of the Network. Committee also suggested that Steering Committee be renamed Board of Directors. As these modifications require by-law changes, they will be formally proposed at the retreat.

All in above slate accepted unanimously. Vivien Grant of Dunedin was accepted for a three-year term to begin in September, 1983.

Nancy Ford noted that the Operating Committee will soon be restructured. She thanked Dora Harrison for her service on that committee in addition to the Steering Committee during the past several years.

## MEMBERSHIP

Nancy Ford reported that paid membership to date is 142 individuals and two groups. Twenty new members have been accepted since the beginning of the calendar year. She reported on her recent meeting in Tavares (Leesburg area) to acquaint interested women there with the Network. Two had made reservations for this meeting and had to cancel at the last moment, but several others appear to be quite interested. Nancy also reported that Pat Frank spoke to the group in Pensacola in February. While they're quite enthusiastic about their local group, she's not sure how eager they are to be involved in the state organization.

## SPEAKERS BANK - NATIONAL ALLIANCE

The Speakers Bank, created by Cecilia Bryant for the National Alliance, was discussed. In short, the Bank would require a \$25 fee from the prospective speaker to be listed and donation of 10% of the fee would go to the Alliance. It was the consensus that people who are qualified to speak would not pay to be listed and, in most cases anyhow, would not seek a fee - at most, only travelling expenses. Several members

"objected to the premise on which the Speakers Bank was initiated" and it was agreed that it should not be proposed to the general membership in the present form. Following additional discussion, Linda Hanna made a motion that funding come only from users of the service rather than from potential speakers; second by Karen Matteson...passed. This information should be relayed to the Alliance.

#### REGIONAL MEETINGS

Question posed as to plans for future regional meetings. Most agreed that feedback had been positive from those held last year. Will be discussed at retreat.

#### BARBARA HOLMES

Question posed as to what Network can do to aid Barbara Holmes in her bid for the permanent presidency of Hillsborough Community College. Following a long exchange of ideas, Jan Judisch made a motion that a committee be appointed to "look at all the candidates and make a recommendation on behalf of this body ; a letter should then be written to the proper person(s)." Motion seconded by Barbara Pankau...passed. Nancy Ford appointed Jan, Geneva Flaherty and Martha Barnett to the committee.

#### DIRECTORY

Question raised as to advisability of attempting to upgrade current format of directory. It is scheduled to be distributed - again on photocopied pages - within the next several weeks. Following discussion, Steering Committee agreed that plans should be revised - directory should instead be typeset and distributed in a loose-leaf binder. Linda Hanna made a motion that the Steering Committee "authorize the staff to improve and upgrade the directory by typesetting." Motion seconded by Jan Judisch...passed. This project will cost several times the currently budgeted \$750, but it was agreed that it's a necessary expenditure in light of the recent dues increase.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

Eleanor W. Hubbard