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AVVA Board of Directors Meeting
August 7, 2023
Rosen Center, Suite 235
9840 International Drive, Orlando FL

Opening Ceremonies:

President Sharon Hobbs called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM (EST). Chaplain Bobbie Morris (PA) was recognized to deliver the invocation and observe a moment of silence. Vice President Kathy Andras (LA) then led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board of Directors' Roll Call:

Secretary Nina Schloffel called the roll.

President: Sharon Hobbs

Vice President: Kathy Andras

Secretary: Nina Schloffel

Region 4: Joanne Blum

Region 5: Penny Meinhardt

Region 6: Barbara Coan

Treasurer: Kaye Gardner
Region 7: Terri Rangel (Excused)*
Region 1: Vacant
Region 8: Jennifer Ellis (Excused)*
Region 2: Bobbie Morris
Region 9: Kelly Frederickson

Region 3: Hope Summers

A quorum was established.

Notes: 1. Terri Rangel, Region 7 and Jennifer Ellis, Region 8 excused due to transportation issues

2. Terri Rangel, Region 7, joined the meeting after Roll Call

Committee Chairs Nancy Montgomery, Elections Committee, and Susan Price, Finance Committee, were also in attendance and recognized.

Approve Agenda:

Motion (#1) – Treasurer Kaye Gardner moved, and was seconded, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Adopted by Unanimous Consent

Miscellaneous:

- A. Count Update: Elections Chair Nancy Montgomery reported that 76 delegates and 11 alternants had been certified.
- B. Committee Updates: President Hobbs reported that Project Friendship donations currently total \$20,790. This total is expected to increase

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- significantly. Additional donations have been received but not tallied, and other donations are expected before the PF collection deadline. There were no other committee updates.
- C. Board Pins: In appreciation of their service on the 2021 -2023 Board of Directors, President Hobbs presented Board members and deputies with commemorative pins. The Board responded by thanking President Hobbs for the leadership support she provided during this term.
- D. Departing Gifts: President Hobbs presented engraved crystal vases to the following Board members. Each will not be returning to their current Board positions next term:
 - Joanne Blum, Region 4 Director
 - Penny Meinhardt, Region 5 Director
 - Hope Summers, Region 3 Director

Good of the Order:

President Hobbs announced that a Delegate Forum will be held after Wednesday's AVVA Luncheon. Bylaws Chair, Barbara Coan and Parliamentarian, Barbara Miller will review the proposed bylaws amendments and answer delegates' questions.

President Hobbs reminded the assembly to wear red on Friday.

Adjournment:

President Hobbs adjourned the meeting at 7:15 PM (EST).

Submitted by,

Nina D. Schloffel

AVVA National Secretary

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