

Minutes of the Southeast Section Fall Business Meeting Held in St. Petersburg, Fl, October 3-4 2008

At 9:08 am on October 4, 2008 Governor Corbi Bulluck called the meeting to order.

The Governor introduced the current board members, Treasurer Marlene Raseta, Co-Secretaries Becky Ritter and Barbara Yeninas, visiting International Board Member Joan Kerwin, past Governor Marie Grein, and Barbara Strachan, Endowment Trustee.

Thanks were expressed to the Florida Suncoast Chapter for hosting the Fall Section Meeting , especially to thank Nancy Wright, Chairman of the Host Section Planning Committee. Unfortunately, Nancy could not attend the Section Meeting due to a fall resulting in a broken hip. Governor Corbi past around a Get Well card for all the 99s present to sign and mail to Nancy.

Governor Corbi also passed around a Welcome card to be mailed to Pearl Bragg Laska Chamberlain of the Alaska Chapter who recently moved to Nashville TN. Pearl, 99 years old, is a lifetime Alaskan who recently moved to Nashville to be near her son. Pearl is winner of the 99s Award of Achievement.

Governor Corbi recognized Joan Kerwin, International Director, who introduced herself to the meeting attendees. Joan said her purpose in coming was to pass on news from 99s Headquarters and to listen to new ideas, at this Fall Section meeting, to bring back to the International Board.

The Chapter Roll Call taken by Co-Secretary, Barbara Yeninas, was as follows:

Chapter	Number Present	Chairman Present (Yes/No)
Alabama	0	
Blue Ridge	1	
Carolinas	0	
Embry-Riddle Daytona	0	
FL Firstcoast	2	Yes
FL Goldcoast	4	Yes
FL Gulfstream	1	
FL Spaceport	5	
FL Suncoast	14	Yes
Kitty Hawk	2	
Memphis	0	
Mississippi	0	
New Orleans	0	
North Georgia	0	
Paradise Coast	2	
Tennessee	0	
Section Members - no chapter	0	

The minutes from the Spring Section Meeting in North Myrtle Beach, SC were corrected for 2 typo errors. Judy Bowser, Paradise Coast Chapter, corrected her E-mail address as follows: sailjb@embarqmail.com. Ursula Davidson, Florida Gold Coast Chapter, moved to accept the corrected minutes; the motion was seconded by Judy Bowser of the Paradise Coast Chapter, and the oral vote was unanimous.

Report by Governor Corbi Bulluck:

Governor Corbi Bulluck stated that since the last Section meeting, held in the Spring at Myrtle Beach, SC, she has attended the Sun 'n Fun Airshow in Lakeland, FL. It was an exciting week-long event where she "hung out" at the 99s Building and got to meet visiting 99s from all over the country. She plans to attend next year's Sun 'N Fun event to be held April 21-26, 2009. Also, Governor Corbi attended The 99s International Conference held in Anchorage, Alaska this past August. She stated she had a wonderful time and enjoyed the "cooler weather" in the middle of the summer. Corbi stated there was verbal fire works at the Conference's Business Meeting but everyone doesn't have to agree with each other and that's how we grow and learn from one another.

In regard to the IRS, Governor Corbi said she checked out what information should go into the Meeting minutes...just motions being voted on/or everything discussed. She talked with Cecile Hatfield, General Counsel, Kris Irvin-Herron, International Treasurer and Charli Lamb, Parliamentarian who said that the IRS needs to know that 99s Business was conducted and that it was not just a social meeting. Governor Corbi stated that she thought we are doing fine with Section Minutes.

Secretary Becky Ritter's Report:

There was a Board Meeting held on Friday afternoon, October 3, 2008, to discuss topics concerning the Section meeting. Topics included (a) Applicants are needed to run for Section Office, (b) Location of future Section Meetings and (c) Updates or changes to any Bylaws. Becky stated, "Your Board is working for you".

Treasurer Marlene Raseta's Report:

The Treasurer referred to the meeting handout on Page 11 and asked if everyone would review the Section Financial Report and if anyone had any questions. Also, on Page 12 of the handout is the Section Budget for the coming year 2008-2009. The Treasurer stated that a small contribution of \$100.00 will be expended to defray the travel expenses of Joan Kerwin, International Director. The Treasurer thanked everyone who sent in their Chapter Financial Reports and urged the Chapters who had not, to hurry up and send them in as soon as possible.

Past Governor Marie Grein's Report:

At the International Convention held in Anchorage, Alaska this past August, Marie arranged the Governor's Luncheon. It was well attended with 53 members present. Also, Marie attended the Sun 'N Fun Airshow in Lakeland, Florida. Marie thanked both Barbara Sierchio and Nancy Wright who host the 99s Building for the week long event. Both Barbara and Nancy are very gracious hosts that welcome everyone to the 99s Building.

International Board Member Joan Kerwin's Report:

Joan announced that all Proposed Bylaws at the 99s International Convention were passed except 2 that were not. One of those proposals which was to establish a 99s Retirement Home in Texas was defeated. The new 99s website is almost completed and should be up and running soon. Joan brought copies of the Chapter Chairman Manuals and said they should be passed along to incoming officers. A copy of this manual will also be posted on the 99s website.

Lisa Cotham, 99s PR Chairman and Board Member wants input on revising the new Membership brochure. Also, Susan Larsen, 99s President asked that a copy of all Chapter Newsletters be sent to her via E-mail or snail mail.

On the Building Maintenance Report, Joan stated that new air conditioners were installed at headquarters and, in the future, the outside stairs need to be replaced. A copy of this report is available for perusal.

In regard to 99s Insurance Policies, if the event only includes 99s, then you no longer have to obtain a separate insurance policy from 99 headquarters, as 99s are already covered on an umbrella policy. However, if the event includes individuals who are not 99s, then you would have to obtain an insurance policy to be covered (ex. Poker Run). After a discussion about what events would be covered, Governor Corbi said she will follow up on this and E-mail the Chapter Chairmen with specific details.

Joan Kerwin extended an invitation to attend an International Board Meeting to all attendees. The dates of the meetings in Oklahoma City are: Oct. 24 & 25, 2008 and March 20 & 21, 2009. Barbara Strachan, Endowment Board Member, said it was a good opportunity to visit headquarters and to meet other 99s. Governor Corbi agreed it was a good place to build relationships and bonds. The next 99s International Conference will be held in Chicago, IL on July 22 - 26, 2009. There is an add-on trip to the Oshkosh Airshow that leaves on July 26, 2009.

Joan Kerwin sold Raffle Tickets for a River Cruise in Chicago. The cost is \$5.00 for 1 ticket or 5 tickets for \$20.00. Governor Corbi mentioned that in the Treasurer's Report there is a line item in the amount of \$100.00 which is to help offset Director Joan Kerwin's travel expenses. This expenditure was agreed upon at the Spring Board meeting.

Report by Tamra Sheffman, Florida Gold Coast Chapter:

For the past three years Tamra Sheffman and Nancy Wright have co-chaired the Fly for Breast Cancer Fly-In. This year's date is November 15, 2008 held at Lakeland Airport. Nancy has arranged to have the Luncheon at the Cessna Center. Tickets for the Luncheon are \$18.00 and all proceeds go to Cancer research. Caterer Ron Hamlet donates all the food for the Luncheon. There is also a Silent Auction and last year, almost \$2,000.00 was raised between the Luncheon and the Silent Auction. Over the last three years over \$50,000 was raised by all the 99 Chapters combined.

Tamara had car magnets with the Breast Cancer logo for sale for \$6.00 each. Ursula Davidson advised that family and friends can pledge money as a sponsor for this worthy cause. Marlene Raseta mentioned that the Kitty Hawk Chapter holds a Fall Golf Tournament to raise money for Breast Cancer research. In the past three years they raised \$12,000. One third goes to Cancer research and two-thirds goes to Aviation Scholarships.

Report by Judy Bowser, Paradise Coast Chapter:

Judy Bowser introduced herself as the Flight Line newsletter editor and asked for all chapters to send in information about their chapters for the Flight Line to publish. The deadline each month is the 15th and Judy's E-mail address is: sailawayjb@embarqmail.com. Tamra Sheffman asked if an E-mail reminder could be sent every month with a link to the Flight Line website. Judy said she would try to do it. Ursula Davidson said it would make it easier to access the Flight Line as she now never sees it. Pat Ohlsson said lots of people don't have computers and might prefer to have the Flight Line mailed. Governor Corbi said that might be possible and would work with Judy on this suggestion. The Flight Line website is: www.southeast99s.org. Elaine Morrow is the webmaster for the Southeast Section website. Governor Corbi encouraged attendees to send in pictures, articles and stories about what the Southeast chapters are doing or are going to do.

A ten minute Break was given during which time a Prize Raffle and Silent Auction were held.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Governor Corbi reminded chapters to send in their IRS Financial Reports to Judy Hall, Member-at-Large and a copy to Marlene Raseta, Section Treasurer. So far, the following reports are missing from: FL Goldcoast, FL Firstcoast, FL Suncoast, FL Gulf Stream Georgia, Mississippi and New Orleans. We need all chapters to send in the Financial Reports so they can be covered under the umbrella of the Section's 501C3 status. Carol Gosling asked if chapters have to be incorporated. Governor Corbi replied, no but each chapter must have a separate EIN number. If a chapter has a Chapter Bank account, then they must also have an EIN number. The filing date is October 15, 2008 for Financial Reports. Send to Marlene Raseta at: Mraseta@nc.rr.com.

Report by Carol Gosling, Air Marking Chairman:

Carol Gosling, Air Marking Chairman for the Section, advised she E-mailed all the Chapter Chairmen for reports on Air Marking activities. Kitty Hawk Chapter did an Air Marking at Elizabethtown Airport, NC, and Carol passed out a picture to the attendees. Kitty Hawk submitted the picture to Avweb and was awarded "Picture of the Week." Becky Ritter suggested that airports ask companies to donate the survey for the Air Marking.

Governor Corbi said the Chapter Chairman Manuals will be mailed to all Chapter Chairs but will pass out the manuals to those Chairmen here at the Section meeting. The Manual is divided into 12 Sections and is revised and updated periodically. It's available on the 99s website. Nan Saloman asked how will we be notified when new revisions are made to the Manual. Governor Corbi said she would notify the Chapter Chairs if the Manual is updated.

NEW BUSINESS:

Governor Corbi said four years ago it was decided to have a Section Meeting in the Florida Panhandle. At our upcoming Spring Meeting, we plan to have our Spring Southeast Section meeting at the Hilton Hotel in Pensacola Beach, Florida. Corbi has arranged for a block of rooms for the 99s at a Special Rate of \$139.00/night. The normal rate is \$199.00/night. This rate will be valid from April 29 thru May 5, 2009. The dates of the Spring Meeting are May 1, 2 & 3, 2009. This meeting will be a recruiting meeting to attract new women pilots in the Panhandle area to join the 99s Organization. To this end, a Meet & Greet Welcome Reception will be held at the National Naval Aviation Museum on Saturday, May 2, 2008 at 1 p.m. Governor Corbi said that the Section will bear the cost of this reception. The reception will be held in a private room off the Cubi Café. Corbi contacted AirPac which is a Data Base organization. They did a search of women pilots by zip code and counties and identified between 270 - 347 licensed women pilots in this area.

The Section will also bear the cost of postage on the invitations to attend. Corbi mentioned that Pensacola Regional Airport is the closest to the Hilton Hotel and none of the hotels on the beach offer a shuttle van from the airport. The Hilton Hotel contract has not been signed, as yet as Corbi will send it to Cecile Hatfield, General Counsel for approval. Corbi stressed that the Spring Section Meeting is an event planned by the Section and not a Chapter-hosted event. Barbara Strachan said this Section Meeting sounds exciting and it's a good opportunity to recruit new members. Marie Grein made a motion that the Southeast Section Officers be permitted to spend funds to pay for the Saturday afternoon recruiting function at the Pensacola Spring 2009 Section Meeting. Tamra Sheffman seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Tamra Sheffman made a motion to allow the Section Officers to expend funds for deposits and fees to make this Section Meeting happen. Motion was seconded by Barbara Strachan and it passed unanimously.

Governor Corbi said hosting the Section meetings could be on a rotation schedule among Chapters and asked do we want to do it? Ursula Davidson made a motion to have the Southeast Section Officers develop a rotation plan for our Section Meetings and the Board be empowered to do it. The motion was seconded by Nan Saloman and it passed unanimously.

Governor Corbi is seeking 99s to volunteer to run for Office of the Southeast Section. Corbi is in the 2nd year of a two (2) year term and the Section By-laws do not allow an incumbent to run again. Ballots will be mailed in early Spring 2009. The Nominating Committee is comprised of MayCay Beeler, Eileen Malan and Holly Roe. The new Officers of the Board will be installed at the Spring Southeast Section Meeting in Pensacola. Nan Saloman asked for a brief description of the Officer's responsibilities. Governor Corbi said it's on the Section Website under "Section Info", just click on Section By-Laws. Judy Bowser said she would put the information in the Flight Line newsletter.

Governor Corbi announced that two Awards will be given out at the next Section Meeting: The Outstanding 99 from the Southeast Section Award and the Outstanding 49 ½ Southeast Section Award. A \$50.00 donation will be made to the 99s Endowment Fund in that person's honor. Carol Gosling suggested that the name be changed from 49 ½ to 99 Supporter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Barbara Yeninas asked for support and donations be made to the Dash for the Cure. In December 2008, CarolAnn Garratt and Carol Foy, both 99s, will attempt an Around the World Flight to set a speed record. Their hope is to raise both awareness and money for the ALS Research Foundation. All donations will go for ALS Research as they are underwriting all expenses of the flight.

Tamra Sheffman announced that Goldcoast Chapter 99s and Zonta Area 3 will hold a Poker Run on Saturday, October 25, 2008. The entry fee is \$40.00, which includes Lunch and 1 hand. Additional hands are \$20.00 each. Tamra passed out event flyers. Money raised will go for Scholarships and Aerospace Education.

Ursula Davidson, Goldcoast Chapter, announced that the Greiner Scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 is available for Florida 99s. The application deadline is 10/15/08 and all Florida 99s are encouraged to apply.

Judy Bowser announced the Paradise Chapter will hold their 1st Annual Sunshine Derby Proficiency Air Race on November 22, 2008 at LaBelle Municipal Airport. Judy passed out event flyers.

Eileen Tonkinson, Florida Firstcoast Chapter, announced that the Annual NIFA Event will take place on Tuesday, October 28 thru Saturday, November 1, 2008. NIFA is looking for volunteers to staff this event.

Following the business portion of the Section Meeting, the group participated in two “brainstorming” exercises:

In the first exercise, the attendees were divided into four groups and each group was assigned a topic for which to brainstorm ideas for tools and practices that International could, should, or might provide to chapters in order for the chapters to be more successful. The four topics were Membership Retention, Public Relations, Technology and Communications.

In the second exercise, each attendee answered four questions: How should we use the Section’s money? What are some suggestions for Section fund raising? Why do you attend Section meetings and what do you hope to gain from the meetings? What is/was your chapter’s best program, activity, or event? All of the responses were posted around the room

Attendance: Southeast Section of the 99s Meeting - St Petersburg, 3 - 5 October 2008

	NAME		CHAPTER
1	Ruth	Jenkins	Florida Gulfstream
2	Sophia	Payton	Florida Suncoast
3	Barbara	Yeninas	Florida Suncoast
4	Millie	Thomas	Florida Firstcoast
5	Eileen	Tonkinson	Florida Firstcoast
6	Debbie	Palmer	Florida Suncoast
7	Joan	Kerwin	Director
8	Betty	Hostler	Florida Spaceport
9	Ursula	Davidson	Florida Goldcoast
10	Becky	Ritter	Florida Goldcoast
11	Marlene	Raseta	Kitty Hawk
12	Marianne	Mulder	Florida Suncoast
13	Barbara	Sierchio	Florida Suncoast
14	Kathy	Koshan	Florida Spaceport
15	Pat	Ohlsson	Long Island Chapter/Fl Spaceport
16	Marlene	Smith	Florida Spaceport
17	Judy	Bowser	Paradise Coast
18	Ann	Miller	Paradise Coast
19	Carol	Gosling	Florida Spaceport
20	Marie	Grein	Florida Suncoast
21	Marilyn	Shafer	Florida Suncoast
22	Pat	Blasi	Florida Goldcoast
23	Tamra	Sheffman	Florida Goldcoast
24	Barbara	Strachan	Florida Suncoast
25	Dima	Haobsh	Florida Suncoast
26	Michelle	Raines	Florida Suncoast
27	Denise	Rosenberger	Florida Suncoast

28	Janice	McWilliams	Florida Suncoast
29	Corbi	Bulluck	Kitty Hawk
30	Jeanne	Burkland	Florida Suncoast
31	Marilyn	Schupact	Florida Suncoast
32	Nan	Salomon	Blue Ridge Chapter

At 12:10 p.m. there was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Judy Bowser and seconded by Carol Gosling. The motion passed unanimously.

Submitted by Barbara Yeninas, Co-Secretary