# Southeast Section Spring Meeting Holiday Inn Mobile, AL April 6, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Governor Terry Carbonell at 9:13 a.m. Acting as secretary, Mae Marquet, took role as Ursula Davidson was absent due to an accident. Mae is the secretary-elect. It was announced that 8 of the 16 chapters were present comprising a quorum (7 required.)

Chapter	Attending	Chair Present	Name of Chair
Alabama	4	yes	Harriet Hall
Blue Ridge	0.	no	Lori Connorton
Carolinas	2.	no	Liz Lee
Embry-Riddle	0.	No	Daneet Dor
FI First coast.	0.	No	Reba Ludlow
FI Goldcoast	3	Yes	Myra Bugbee
Fl Gulfstream	0.	No	Barbara Ganson
FI Spaceport	0.	No	Donna Wilt
FI Suncoast	1.	No	Marilyn Shafer
Georgia	0.	No	Susan Delgado
Kitty Hawk	2.	Yes	Corbi Bullock
Memphis	0.	No	Margaret Lindsey
Mississippi	1.	Yes	Maryke Hobuyken
New Orleans	5	yes	Margaret Jones
Paradise Coast	2.	No	Nancy Moore
Tennessee	0.	No	Janice Pelletti
No Chapter affiliation 0			

Introduction of present officers: Marie Grein, Past Governor; Corbie Bullock, International Board; Eileen Malan, Past Gov.; Barbara Harris-Para, Past Gov. New York-New Jersey; Marjy Leggett, designated International Board Rep.

Minutes from last meeting presented for approval, a motion by Marie Grein. Harriet Hall seconds. All approved. Motion carried.

### Officer Reports

VICE-GOVERNOR: Sonia Bortolin, vice Governor, not present due to the death of her Mother.

SECRETARY: Ursula Davidson, soon to be former secretary, was not present due to slip and fall.

TREASURER: Hanna-Mari Salo shared account information. It is attached. Financially we are strong. We receive \$4.50 for each member from International. Savings has \$11,962. \$3000 was the unused 501(c)(3) group exemption application money that was returned from IRS.

INTERNATIONAL: Marjy Leggett encouraged all to purchase the compass rose tiles as HQ still has some Compass Rose tiles available. Membership directories come out in November; so HQ needs all changes by July. The 99s Museum has a portion of the building whose tenant is vacating, and is now available. HQ needs a tenant which helps cover some costs. The price of the directory will go up to cover the expenses only. There has been a great presence at the various trade shows. Sun n Fun is coming up and this section takes care of that. Oshkosh is moving the 99s into one of the buildings. Rita Adams is the contact for this if you need information.

HQ has transitioned from Lotus to Access - a data base conversion.

Regarding the Atchinson, KS Amelia Earhart Museum, a second cousin to Amelia now lives nearby and desires to help.

Regarding plans that the International Board is working on: Dianna Cole is working on a Credit Union. Marji is working on Forums for communicating amongst girls and members.

New Horizons- this spot on the web was enlarged that we might expand on the stories of the wonderful ladies who pass on.

By-Law changes: to be addressed at international (1) the associate member: voting ability and attendance at International, (2) break in membership and (3) Trustees up to 5.

Upcoming is the International Conference at Bozeman, Montana. Of course 2014 is in New Orleans and 2015 will be Munich, Germany.

WAI convention produced 36 new members and 31 showing interest! An active presence does help out.

SWIFT- Support Women In Flight Training, a CFI working with a female student encouraging the student to become a 99. Perhaps some kind of virtual plaque would be given to the CFI promote membership growth thru this avenue. If a CFI gets 5 girls to join, Bronze level, 10 would be Silver level and 25 would be Gold level recognition of service. Barbara suggested an actual pin. Corbi says the 99 application will have a path for this recognition.

### **Committee Reports**

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: Eileen Malan has attached report. 458 members are in the Southeast Section. Middle Tennessee Chapter is forming. 99s need an International Membership Chairman. The current one has retired. Corbi added we should contact our members to encourage them to attend. Leave phone messages and email. It will work to encourage girls to stay involved.

FLIGHTLINE: Stephanie Wrenn compiles and edits the Flightline. Please try to send articles in printable wording not just the minutes from the chapter meeting. It will facilitate her getting the publication out in a timely manner: remember, she is a volunteer too.

WAYS AND MEANS: Judy Hall is not present.

ENDOWMENT FUND: Mary Wunder and her cheerleaders paraded around the room to promote enthusiasm for the Endowment Fund. In 1998 she saw the struggling Endowment Fund and decided with Bev Sharp to raise \$1Million dollars without touching it. When Mary came on board about 3 years ago, the fund amounted to \$300,000. Now the fund is at \$800,000. They are selling tickets for a Go-Pro Camera for this year's fund raiser. The winner will be picked at International Convention 2015. Good Search Good Shop gives 1 Cent per search to the 99s, up to \$100,000 per year. Make this your default search engine. "If we keep chapters busy, we keep them alive," says Mary! A project called "Pennies for Pounds" was mentioned. Go on the website to view all the projects. Flyers in the restaurants and fund will give 20%. If you give 50% of your Chapter fund raising proceeds to the Endowment Fund (Poker Run, Pennies a Pound, etc.), International will give free insurance at least for the first year.

Terry was then delighted to announce a surprise. The hotel vice-president, Maura Garino, gave to the 99s a \$500 check for the Endowment Fund. She once owned her own Mooney as a pilot and desires to join our wonderful group. If we would go on TripAdvisor.com, we could compliment her services.

### **Old Business**

IRS 501 c3 EXEMPTION: The Subordinate Report has been submitted even without a Number. The IRS admits the SE Section never received it since 1983 because the IRS failed to send the number. With patience we may not need to repay the fees. The understanding is without 990's being filed by the chapters, EIN's are dropped. Each chapter will need an EIN to be a part of the section exemption. We have a contact in Odgen, Utah and they have sent the whole packet over to Cincinnati. Chris Herren is on the International board and a CPA volunteering to head up the International 501c3 committee. As a result of this confusion some chapters are being audited, be sure the newsletters are of business and education emphasis. Myra Bugbee, Secretary of Goldcoast does a great job at her minutes making them very educational in nature. Use her minutes for an example.

BY-LAWS: Proposed by-laws change from the Section for closing the membership gap: International BOD was in favor of the proposal but with the back dues at the current rate. If a girl is late on renewal, just pay it and continue the same original date. Terry called for motion to approve and Tamara moved, Hilda Ray- second, carried.

CHAPTER REPORTS: most are attached. Middle Tennessee is desirous and forming a new chapter. For struggling chapters we need your help.

Blue Ridge, Memphis, Georgia, Fl.First Coast, Embry-Riddle.

Ala. had nothing to add.

Blue Ridge - not present but report included.

Carolinas – had a Safety Seminar recently; went around for one year to libraries talking about Amelia Earhart, attended Kiwanas presenting Air Racing.

Embry-Riddle - not in attendance and no report.

First Coast - no report

Gold Coast - very active; participated in the Fly It Forward program; actively try to fly to different airports to keep 99s from all around involved; celebrated North Perry airport being 55 years. Jessica received the scholarship to first time attender of SE Section meeting. Their WASP, Helen Snap, passed away.

Gulf Stream: Titusville Women of Aviation and Fly it Forward participation, in conjunction with Gold Coast and Spaceport having over 100 participants. Spaceport: Fly It Forward together with Space and Women, EAA, NASA. Sun Coast: 99s' building at Sun n Fun- Barbara Sergio worked with painting and repairs. Martha Phillips, Int. Pres. will be there. Marie will be at WASP luncheon and 8 WASP are attending, April 11, 2013. WASP will be interviewed on the Sun n Fun radio station. The Chapter had a Poker Run. On a sadder note, Dottie Birdsong, long time Air Racer and 99 passed away.

Georgia: not here.

Kitty Hawk: if your territory is spread out suggest partnering with other groups or just invite other groups to hear your speaker making it more profitable all over

Memphis: not here

Mississippi: Jessica Cox, without arms pilot, spoke at a fundraiser held to benefit Operation PROP.com.(People Reaching Outrageous Possibilities). Flying people with disabilities 2x's per year, excellent community outreach. A new member, Liz, organized Fly it Forward.

New Orleans: Fly It Forward went viral with Janet and Madeline on the Go Camera!

Paradise Coast: here but nothing to add

Tennessee: Not here

## **International Conference 2014 July 9-12**

New Orleans is the host spot. Janet Gonzales and Margaret Jones present concepts. Janet is one of the co-chairman of convention and Margaret is marketing committee. New Orleans is the melting pot with great food. There are many wonderful tours on the attached information. A welcome reception will be Thursday night. It will be at the Astor Crowne Plaza.

Janet decided our emphasis should be to draw the women by telling them who is coming to speak and what is presented education wise. So these things will be advertised early on. One big draw is the CAMI of the FAA.

How do we get speakers and pay for them? Raise money through outside sponsorships. If every chapter in Southeast sold \$1000 of adds we would have about

\$12,000 plus dollars (recognizing some won't participate.) New members and attendees seminars and lavish hospitality in more than one place.

Member attendance goal - 250-300.

Outside vendors: 9 Member vendors: 9

Structure fees: see attached for prices as a vendor and prices in program.

Program printing alone cost \$6300.

All is in draft form.

Eileen made a motion that the New Orleans enthusiastic plan be accepted. Harriet second, motion carried.

### Addressing loss of membership

Terry presented a "pilot program" section project. Scholarships for 99s that can be put on a master list to be awarded in 2014 like the WAI, sponsor ship comes from outside the 99s. The Sponsoring source can further define what the scholarship will entail. February 28th deadline. All go to International, distributed to the certain section/chapter or group that offers by March 1 and then chosen by the chapter/donor of scholarship. It can be used sooner than the AE if desirous. Attractive is the application ease. Each scholarship should be at least \$500.

Janet motions, Ellen seconds. Discussion: don't step on toes of AE, but Corbi did say International supports.

### **Budget**

(The following was discussed and the rest is attached regarding the budget.) Zero time of membership is required to be a life member. Cost to buy in depends on your age, less the older you are. Payment plan options proposed at Bozeman International conference.

Southeast Section needs a fundraiser. Suggestion is a window shade with a 99 on it. Tamra Sheffman and Myra Bugbee will check into this.

A request for \$250 seed money to a chapter desiring to host SE section meeting, to encourage the struggling chapters who cannot front. Totals \$500 added to budget for 2 meetings and it will be reimbursed.

Ellen motioned to accept the budget with changes, Eileen seconds. Motion carried.

Fall SE Section Meeting Sept 27-29,2013 Biloxi, MS

Hosted by the Mississippi chapter and held at the Biloxi South Beach Hotel and Suites. Go on <a href="mailto:sbbiloxihotel.com">sbbiloxihotel.com</a>, use the code- tnni, to book rooms of assorted rates. Attractive venue: Keesler Air Base- visiting with female Hurricane Helicopter pilot; ATC school at Keesler; Infinity Center at NASA for lunch, guest speaker is a pilot at the

Center, at the Center will tour all of NASA; Pratt Whitney engine and Rolls Royce. Friday evening will be held at the private air strip of Shade Tree with a movie out doors and dinner. Saturday after business meeting will be free to tour town. Saturday night will be dinner at the Yacht Club with Janet Green as the speaker and band and beach music.

# Spring SE Section Meeting May 2-4, 2014 Charleston, SC

Plans are in the making. Hotel is the Sheraton, Charleston.

#### Installation of New Officers

Terry and Hanna are already on the board. Marie Grein installed Mae Marquet, secretary; Ellen Herr, chairman, and Barbara Harris-Para and Marilyn Shaeffer nominating committee.

### For the Good of the Order Section

99 Business card with the 99s' name on back as shown by Nicole Banks are an inexpensive advertisement for your chapter and a great idea.

Membership Application: notice the block for "I would like to be a host for a 99" just for a night.

History of SE Section will be going on web site. Marie Grein has been compiling the information and will transmit to the webmaster soon.

Corbi request 2 new directors on BOD since governor must have served previously on the board to be nominated to run. A by-law must be written for the next section meeting.

Hilda Ray motioned the development of the By-Law. Harriet Hall second. Motion Carried

Jessica Miller thanks Gold Coast for her scholarship and encourages others to sponsor someone to attend. Hilda Ray was recognized as longest member present.

The meeting adjourns at 12:01p.m.