

The Ninety-Nines, Inc  
International Organization of Women Pilots



Southeast Section of the 99's  
Fall Section Business Meeting  
North Myrtle Beach, SC  
Oct 2, 2021

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## **Meeting Minutes**

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The meeting was called to order at 9:03am EDT by Governor Janice Pelletti. Janice thanked the Carolinas Chapter for the excellent job they have done in hosting the Fall Section.

The chapter roll call was made by Secretary Janice McWilliams. A quorum was declared.

Janice Pelletti welcomed everyone.

Lois Horne introduced the board members: Janice Pelletti Governor, Lois Horne Vice Governor, Janice McWilliams Secretary, Anita Mixon Director, Michele Sonier Director, Ramona Banks Immediate Past Governor.

Lois Horne acknowledged all our past governors who were in attendance; Corbi Bulluck, Terry Carbonell, Myra Bugbee, and Mae Marquet. Lois introduced Minnetta Gardinier our International Board of Directors Representative.

Janice Pelletti asked for members attending their first section meeting to stand, four attendees were first timers.

Janice Pelletti asked if there were any corrections to the Spring 2021 Section minutes as provided in the meeting packet. There were no corrections. Anita Mixon made a motion that the minutes be accepted Debbie Dennis seconded the motion. The minutes from the Spring 2021 meeting were unanimously approved.

Janice asked for a motion to destroy the ballots from the Spring 2021 election. Terry Carbonell so motioned and Ellen Herr seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Janice Pelletti awarded prizes to Minnetta Gardinier for having flown the longest distance to the Section meeting, to Mary Woody who drove the longest distance, and Michele Sonier who flew commercial the longest distance. Laurie Reeves received a prize for being a 99s member the longest time of those in attendance. Laurie has been a 99 for 51 years.

Janice called on the board officers to give their reports. Completed reports are in the meeting packet. Reports were made by the following board members;

Lois Horne	Vice Governor
Janice McWilliams	Secretary
Anita Mixon	Director
Michelle Sonier	Director
Ramona Banks	Immediate Past Governor
Janice Pelletti	Governor

Janice Pelletti noted that the treasurers report was in the meeting packet and any questions could be emailed to Caroline Hodges.

Lois reminded everyone to make sure their officers for their chapters were updated on the 99s website.

Janice thanked Terri Bazacos for running the slide show

Janice Pelletti asked Minnetta Gardinier to give the International Board Report.

Minnetta reviewed International's three-year Strategic Plan

STEP 1: two-question survey (40% response rate)

STEP 2: setting our goals and objectives

Strategic Goals

1. Increase membership by 5% per year through 2024.
2. Increase average membership satisfaction rating (from 7.82 to 8.5, on a scale of 1-10) by 2024

Strategic Objectives

- Utilize volunteer and professional human resources who are deployed effectively to advance the organization's mission and achieve strategic goals.
- Effectively promote the organization through appropriate channels and communicate clearly and consistently with our membership.

- Develop and support section and chapter leadership so that they are equipped to optimize membership engagement at all levels.
- Ensure long-term financial strength and sustainability by increasing revenue.
- Through our 99s' governance, exemplify the best practices of high-performing

Minnetta presented the following Action Items

- Redesigning our website
- Developing training and providing onboarding for our leaders at all levels
- Increasing the number of corporate sponsors
- Providing leadership training at our annual conferences
- Creating a Section Leadership manual
- Developing a Case for Support
- Evaluating current strategy and exploring new ways to recruit and retain members
- Hiring an advertising manager for our magazine either a 99 or non 99.

Minnetta noted that International is in need of social media volunteers. Please contact Robin Hadfield if you can help

Minnetta reported on the 99s booth at EAA AirVenture 2021 in Oshkosh

- 74 new 99s
- 13 new Friends of the 99s
- 14 former 99s reinstated
- 2 current 99s renewed their memberships
- 10 student pilot members joined pending receipt of their FAA Student Pilot Certificates
- Booth was busy and fun

Minnetta announced the plans for the Fall International Board of Directors (IBOD) Meeting. The IBOD meeting will be November 5-6. The board will meet in person. Trustees, governors, and committee chairs will join online to provide their reports. All others are invited to join virtually.

There will be a Spring 2022 election for four international officers, two international directors and several trustees. Minnetta encouraged members to considered running for office. Those interested in seeking election should submit

their “Intent to Seek Election” forms by December 31<sup>st</sup>. All ballots will be sent March 15th and Minnetta asked that we please vote electronically. It is easy and saves money. Check “Update Your Information” in the Members Area of the ninety-nines.org website or contact HQ to see that you are signed up to E-vote.

Minnetta gave an update on the construction changes at headquarters. Headquarters has moved to the 1-story building (aka the tenant building previously). The 1-story building will provide more space. The old boardroom is being converted to a multimedia space for hosting in-person and virtual meetings, seminars, webinars, classes, training sessions, and more. These changes may allow the Museum of Women Pilots to expand their footprint in the 2-story building.

Minnetta gave the following details about the 2022 International Conference July 6-10

- The conference is in Charleston SC at the historic Francis Marion Hotel
- International is excited to have everyone gather together for the Conference after a 2-year hiatus!
- Be sure that you are there for the opening Keynote on Thursday morning (Jul 7th) presented by Captain Brian Schiff.
- The Welcome Reception and AE Scholarship Banquet will close out the 1st day of the conference on Thursday.
- The Conference registration site will open in the next few weeks.

Minnetta then reminded everyone to start thinking about nominations for one of the International annual awards. The January 15<sup>th</sup> deadline will be here soon! Minnetta provided the following information about the International awards Award of Achievement (for a 99)

Contributions to the 99s

Contributions to Aviation

Contributions through Humanitarian Efforts

Award of Merit – for significant contributions to any facet of aviation (may be a 99 or non-99)

George Palmer Putnam Award – for support provided to the 99s

Minnetta thanked everyone for attending and asked if anyone had questions and if Corbi Bulluck or Terry Carbonell had anything to add. Corbi encouraged

members to consider running for International. Corbi said it is a great way to get involved and if you are unsure start by filling a position at the section level. Corbi added there will be a life member special event at Charleston and encouraged members to become life members. Corbi emphasized the importance of nominating our chapter members for the International awards. It is a great way to say thanks to someone in your chapter.

Ramona Banks asked Minnetta about her webinars. Minnetta talked about her first Wednesday Webinars. This Wednesday's webinar is for chapter chairs. Cathy Prudhomme and Minnetta are also working on a section leadership webinar. Last Wednesday's webinar was on section leadership. The section leadership webinar will be repeated on Saturday October 23 at 1pm Central time. This Wednesday (first Wednesday) will be the chapter leadership webinar at 7pm Central time. The chapter leadership webinar will be repeated on Saturday Oct 23 at 3pm Central time. The webinars are a conversation and International is looking for what they can do for us. There will be four questions provided ahead of time for the talking points. Invites for the leadership webinars are sent to Section Governors and Vice Governors and they are asked to share with their board. Invites for chapter leadership webinars are sent to Chapter Chairs and Vice Chairs and they are asked to share with their chapter. Janice Pelletti reminded everyone to make sure their chapter chair is listed correctly with International.

Janice Pelletti reported that the financial report is in the meeting packet and questions could be emailed to Caroline Hodges. Janice asked for any questions.

Janice Pelletti called on the committee chairs to give their reports

Ramona Banks started by announcing that she had poker chips left over from a previous fund raiser for sale. The poker chips are \$3 each or 7 for \$20. Ramona also auctioned off a vintage 99s jacket as a fund raiser.

The committee reports are in the packet. The following reports were given at the meeting;

Ways and means	Ramona Banks
Airmarking	Lois Horne
Membership	Mary Woody
Scholarships, New Horizon	Lois Horne
Let's Fly Now	Myra Bugbee
WASP luncheon at Sun n' Fun	Myra Bugbee

Janice Pelletti announced that Jeanne Burklund reported all 501 c3s have been filed. Lois Horne reminded everyone to make sure state fillings have been made if needed.

Janice Pelletti reported that Marilyn Schaffer has reserved a rental home for the Regional NIFA in Lakeland in November. Please contact Marilyn if you would like to help judge and would like to rent a room at the home.

Ramona Banks reported that she is still working on the website. Ramona would like to have someone to volunteer to help with the SES Facebook Page.

Ramona Banks reported on our recurring donations. Ramona is asking members to donate \$5 a month and if half our members participated, we would no longer need to have fund raisers. Currently the SES receives about \$170 per month in recurring donations.

Janice then called for a short break

Janice Pelletti called the meeting back to order and asked Nita Mixon for the 99 of Note Award report.

Anita Mixon thanked everyone for their nominations. Anita Mixon, Ramona Banks, Kim Elsholz and Beverly Mautner served on the committee this year. Anita presented certificates and a coin to the nominees present. The nominees were;

Carol Voss	Emerald Angels
Cathy Galati	FL Heartland
Denali Georges	St Croix
Ellen Herr	Paradise Coast
Karen Weldon	NOLA
Kelli O'Donnell	FL Suncoast
Kim Ewing	Georgia Flying Belles
Lois Horne	Memphis
Meagan Huerta	FL Firstcoast
Myra Bugbee	FL Goldcoast

The winner of the Southeast Section 99 Of Note Award is Karen Weldon from the NOLA chapter.

Lois Horne reported on the four stops and the start of the Air Race Classic (ARC) that will be in the Southeast Section this year. The start for the ARC in 2022 is in Lakeland FL. The stops for the 2022 ARC that are in the Southeast Section are Moultrie, GA, Muscle Shoals AL, Hattiesburg, MS and Tullahoma, TN. You can reach out to the ARC if you would like to volunteer at any of the stops. Some of the possibilities for volunteering are, being a timer or helping at FBO's. Teresa White will be updating the website in regards to how to volunteer. Lois asked JoAnne Alcorn if she had anything to add. JoAnne passed out some ARC information. JoAnne then introduced all the previous ARC racers present. JoAnne added there are many ways to participate, you can race, volunteer, or be a sponsor. Minnetta added local chapters may adopt a stop but don't limit it to your chapter bring in other members of your local aviation community to work with you.

Janice Pelletti mentioned that the winner of the 99 of Note Award will have her name engraved on the plaque in the 99s house in Lakeland, FL.

Ramona Banks gave the new chapter report. Nashville is our newest chapter and Ramona is working with them to help them get up and running. Ramona added that if any chapter is in need of help to please contact her.

Janice Pelletti called on the Chapter Chairs to give their reports. Chapter reports are in the package. The Chapters present at the meeting who gave their reports are as follows;

Lois Horne	Memphis
Myra Bugbee	FL Goldcoast
JoAnne Alcorn	Fl Heartland
Ellen Herr	Paradise
Mae Marquet	NOLA
Mary Woody	Appalachian Aviatrices
Terry Bazacos	Emerald Angels
Paula Campbell	Carolinas
Jessica Mendez	FL Firstcoast
Ramona Banks	Alabama
Evelyn Galus and Kaye Ebelt	Treasure Coast



Janice Pelletti announced that the Treasure Coast Chapter has agreed to host the Southeast Section Spring Meeting. Evelyn Galus and Kaye Ebel reported on the plans for Spring Section. Spring Section will be April 29 - May 1 in West Palm Beach, FL. Friday will be Bee Haydu's memorial in Stuart FL and the Section meeting will be in West Palm Beach at the Tideline Ocean Resort and Spa.

Janice Pelletti asked Ramona for an update on the International Conference. Ramona played a video for the 2022 International Conference. The conference will be in Charleston SC. at the Francis Marion Hotel. The keynote speaker will be Captain Brian Schiff. Ramona asked for our help. The SES is hosting and volunteers are needed. Committees that the SES need to provide are; hospitality suite chaired by Ramona Banks, welcoming chaired by Maria Lamia and transportation chaired by Jenny Conway. Help will also be needed for the Fly Market and a chair is needed. The ICCE committee asked for our help for advertisement sales and conference sponsors. SES is not responsible for advertisement sales or sponsorship but if anyone can help reach out to Ramona. Ramona passed out sign-up sheets for volunteers for the committees for the International Conference. This year the SES will host but it will be in conjunction with ICCE. Corbi noted that in 2014 NOLA hosted the International Conference without the help of the ICCE committee. Corbi noted that our section will receive 40% of the profit and do much less work than sections in the past have done. Corbi encouraged everyone to step up and help. Minnetta suggested that it might work to have chapters adopt a committee.

Janice Pelletti asked if anyone had anything to contribute for the 'Good of the Order'

- Lois Horne reminded first time attendees to meet at the back of the room for a photo opt at the end of the meeting
- Janice McWilliams asked the chapter chairs to be sure and get their chapter reports to Janice Pelletti.
- Anita Mixon added for those who received award certificates she has envelopes for them to put their certificates in.
- Ramona reminded everyone to pick up their raffle tickets.
- Maria Lamia, the 99s International Trademark Chairperson, encouraged us to incorporate the 99s trademark in items more often. Applying for use of

the trademark is not that difficult and the trademark committee is updating the form to make it even easier.

- Emily Vallarine announced that she is establishing an endowment fund for a scholarship for the Carolinas Chapter and the Southeast Section
- Debra Dennis asked for a show of hands of those who will attend the DPE seminar
- Paula Campbell asked if anyone needed a ride to the airport to please get in contact with her

Janice Pelletti thanked the Carolinas Chapter for all their hard work. Janice thanked our International Officers Minnetta Gardinier, Corbi Bulluck and Terry Carbonell for their input and help. Janice added a special thanks to her board for their help. Governor Janice thanked everyone for coming.

Governor Janice Pelletti adjourned the meeting at 11:41 am EDT.

Submitted by,  
Janice McWilliams  
Southeast Section 99s Secretay