



Tacoma (WA) Chapter Presidents Report

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University of Puget Sound, Lakewood WA

I. Briefing

- Survey sent to Presidents regarding hosting Area conference in 2021,2023,2025,2027
Executive Board responses....
 - Lot of work. Work falls in the hands of a few, challenging
 - Our chapter needs to focus on building our membership
 - Consider one of the later years - 2023/2025 - 8 years
- Committee chairs should be attending area Webinars/Conference calls with area representatives - Schedule posted on WA website
 - 2 Bylaws Webinars
 - Sept 26th- 6pm PST - conference lines are reserved for these positions: Pres, MVPS, Parliamentarian, Ethics
 - Sept 29th (All members) - 6pm PST
 - Submit questions by Sept 14th
- Organizational Effectiveness – Launching survey Sept 28th
Goal to improve interpersonal and operational aspects of members - need 50% of member participation - results of survey will be presented at the leadership summit - findings will be distributed to chapters as well as recommendations
4 Areas of focus: Operational Effectiveness, Fostering Sisterhood/Friendship, Return on Investment, Acknowledgement and Utilization of members' skills
- Western Area website - robust site, updated regularly, information from each facet and committee chair - walinks.org
 - WA wants geographical diversity in articles posted on the WA website - those not in Texas - Chapters should submit service project articles-mentioned Seattle specifically, they want to showcase service and work we do in the WA area - Task for a Communications chair – Are there any volunteers for this position and send in articles/pictures to the Western Area to highlight the work and events or the chapter.
- Chapter
 - Watch Night Party - Queen Sugar - Fun time - President posted picture on WA Facebook page which was sent to WA book club members as an example of what to do.
 - Chapter agreed to the purchase of QuickBooks software to manage our finances
- Meetings
Timely and efficient meetings 10-12:30

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- Please prepare your reports and submit them ahead of time
- Please only cover the highlights, bullet points and action items - activities, dates, times, challenges, how the chapter can help - handle committee discussions at a committee level
- Chapter members will need to be responsible for reading the materials
- Chapter Sensitivity
 - Please seek to understand your sister chapter members, not to criticize
 - Practice Kindness - Be Sisterly
 - Minimize side conversations and help other sisters with gentle reminders to do the same
 - Its distracting and disregards the time, care and effort the individual put into the preparation of the report
- Chapter Program
 - No Chair - Link Connie will commit to helping with the write up of the report - Deadline Feb. 1
 - Break the large effort into smaller manageable pieces

What do you see as the smaller components to completing a program report? Are you willing to take on a piece of the work?

- Writer – **Link Connie**
- Collect the info and develop the calendar of events -?
- Review the facet activities/events ensure alignment to Mental Health -?
- Provide facet detailed information for the report – **Facet Chairs**
- Document metrics (2 qualitative, 2 quantitative) – **Link Alyce**
- Anything else?
- Conferences
 - Leadership Summit (Newport Beach/ Oct 28-30)
 - 2017 WA Conference (Denver/ June 14-18,2017)

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