

VSAP Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Virginia Association of Parliamentarians was held via *ZOOM* on Saturday, September 12, 2020, at 3:00 PM with President Lynda Baer presiding. Members attending were Cynthia Mayo, Margie Booker, Michael Wagner-Diggs, Mary White, Willie Watson, Sala Powell, Beatrice Squire, Mary Loose DeViney, Donald Garrett, Brenda Jackson, Gladys Jordan and Yulanda Humphreys.

The President called the meeting to order at 3:05PM and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. Without objection Yulanda Humphries was elected Secretary Pro-Tem. The minutes of the November 2019 and February 2020 meetings were approved as presented.

Treasurer Cynthia Mayo presented the Treasurer's Report with balances of \$3,236.69 checking account; \$3,178.26 savings; and CD 14,506.49; total assets \$20,921.86.

The President offered her report that included her pleasure having the opportunity to visit the Catherine Wittman and M. Stanley Ryan Unit virtually. VSAP was also the first Association to hold a virtual meeting on the state-wide level. She also shared of her participation in the NAP National Training Conference and was pleased with the results. Donald Garrett was thanked for his technological help to the President for the VSAP Special Meeting and the NTC.

Beatrice Squire shared her participation at the NAP Training Conference and some of the workshops offered.

The Historian shared that the first part of President Lynda Baer's term has been written and will be forwarded to the Executive Board members for their consideration and items to be included.

Michael Wagner-Diggs as Bylaw Chairman offered the reminder that any amendments to the Bylaws should be sent by January 2021.

Ms. Squire, in her capacity as Education Chair, requested that members help in offering suggestions for the theme for the upcoming Annual Meeting in April 2021 and encouraged members to also offer workshop subjects they would be interested in having. She also encouraged members to be willing to lead a workshop.

Due to Covid-19 there was no Youth Development report.

The following Units offered oral reports; Catherine Whitman, NOVA-MAGS, M. Stanley Ryan, VA Peninsula, Fredericksburg and Chesapeake. Each unit report included if they were meeting and how they were doing it. A couple Units reported new members to NAP.

Under Unfinished Business, the President showed a picture of the VSAP ad that was in the NTC booklet.

New Business included discussion of a Lifetime Achievement Award. The name T. Page Johnson was offered as a candidate. Following more discussion, a committee of three, Beatrice Squire, Cynthia Mayo and Michael Wagner-Diggs, was appointed by the President. This committee is to establish criteria and protocol for choosing candidates for this award. They are to report at the annual meeting in April 2021.

It was requested that our VSAP website have the most current VSAP Bylaws posted. Donald Garrett offered to ensure this will be accomplished.

The next Executive Board meeting will be Saturday, November 7, 2020, at 2PM via ZOOM, and February 27, 2021, location TBD. Having no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 PM.

Yulanda Humphreys
Secretary Pro-Tem