



# THE VIRGINIA GAVELETTER

## President's Point

A friend wrote just what I am thinking about our world now:

*I trust that you all are heeding the advice of the professionals to shelter in place as much as possible, to limit your gathering in public areas, to practice good hand washing techniques at every opportunity, and to be mindful of the needs of others as we navigate through this unsettling period together. While this may mean members cannot attend meetings for a period of time, this may be just the opportunity for personal exploration of other interests and activities.*

*In the meantime, in times like these, it may seem as though everything is outside of our control. Know, however, that there are things each of us can control -- our own actions. Let those speak louder than any words.*

Since we were to conduct business at our State Convention each of you will receive a Call for a Special Meeting. Here in the Gaveletter is a brief description. Remember to register by April 19, 2020.

## Virginia State Association of Parliamentarians Special Meeting Notice

Pursuant to Article VII, Section 2 of the Virginia State Association of Parliamentarians (VSAP) Bylaws, I, Lynda Baer, PRP, hereby give notice of a special meeting of VSAP to be held on Saturday, April 25, 2020, starting at 10:00 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to:

1. Hear annual reports from Officers, Committees and Units/Club.
2. Elect five (5) members to the Nominating Committee.

**This will be an electronic meeting. Individuals must register by Sunday, April 19, 2020, to receive access instructions via email.** All attendees must be able to access the internet during the meeting, as well as have the capability to dial into a conference line phone number as a back-up. Upon the conclusion of the business of the special meeting, attendees will be invited to attend an optional educational program on parliamentary procedure (depending on instructor availability).

LJB, PRP

Please let Treasurer Dr. Cynthia Mayo know if you would like to be reimbursed for your registration to the Convention.

***Save the Date!***

***2020 National Training  
Conference***



Hopefully, we can make plans to go to San Antonio for the National Training Conference, August 28 – 30, 2020. Registration and hotel forms will be available this month. Last month the NTC 2020 Planning Committee had the opportunity to go to the Hilton Palacio del Rio – right on the Riverwalk! (see picture right)

Besides wonderful programs, workshops and sharing there are 3 especially exciting happenings in San Antonio! One is the Niosita that will be held Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup> evening. This is a huge celebration that only San Antonio can provide. Second, the Authorship Team of the 12<sup>th</sup> Edition of *RONR* will be available to sign your first edition copy! The 3<sup>rd</sup> exciting part of the Conference is the Celebration of the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of NAP.

Here is the Committee hard at work planning:



The VSAP Board met on Saturday, February 29, 2020, and approved the design for the tile for the wall at NAP.

Virginia State Association of  
Parliamentarians



## Executive Committee

### Elected Officers

President Lynda Baer, PRP  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Beatrice Squire, RP  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Donald Garrett, PRP  
Recording Secretary Rhiannon Liker  
Treasurer Dr. Cynthia Mayo, PRP

### Appointed Officers

Corresponding Secretary  
Brenda Jackson  
Editor-in-Chief *Gaveletter*  
Lynda Baer, PRP  
Historian Yulanda Humphrey  
Parliamentarian  
Mary Loose DeViney, PRP  
(*ex officio*)

### Standing Committee Chairs

Budget and Finance  
Donald Garrett, PRP  
Bylaws  
Michael Wagner-Diggs, PRP  
Education Beatrice Squire, RP  
Membership Gerry Gunn  
Publicity/Public Relations  
Gladys Jordan and Vivian Minor  
Youth Development  
Dr. Cora Salzberg, PRP

### Special Committee

Information Technology  
Donald Garrett PRP

## Welcome!!

### *New Members*

Jasmine Hardy  
Rachel-Miller-Bleich

