

Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc

National Financial Committee Meeting

Wednesday, October 14, 2015 -Meeting called to order at 8:33 Eastern Time

Blue Star Mothers in Attendance: President Judy Dorsey, Financial Secretary Carla Brodacki, Treasurer Brenda Ternullo, Finance Committee Chairman Anne Parker and Committee member Cheryl Miller.

Absent: Committee member Kristine Wirgua.

Chairman Anne Parker opened the first meeting of the year with introductions all around.

Anne reported on the successful NEB meeting of October 13, 2015. One note of particular is e-checks will no longer be accepted at the National level for any transactions due to the lack of tracking and/or backup documentation by Coastal, the processor.

BSM Recording Secretary and 2nd VP both reported problems with their BSM owned computers. Both computers should still be under warranty and that will be followed up on by Carla.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to recommend to NEB they transfer \$100 from unused budgeted legal fees to the Recording Secretary's budget for a computer technician to evaluate. Motion carried on a voice vote.

There was general consensus the request for an external hard drive be declined and a recommendation to NEB that a thumb drive be purchased for \$12-\$15.00.

Treasurer Brenda will work with the 2nd VP to address some MSN Publisher functions.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to recommend to NEB they transfer unused monies in the President's Travel budget to the Program Expenses: Flowers and Wreathes budget to cover the shortfall expected to occur around Memorial Day.

The September BSM Financial Statements were sent to the NEB for review, but no action was taken to approve them as not all data has yet been uploaded to QB on-line.

An audit for FY 2014-2015 has not been completed as additional documentation must be gathered and submitted to the auditors.

The Financial Secretary noted the duplicate check number situation has been corrected and all financial transactions accurately accounted for.

In response to a query from President Judy Dorsey, it was noted there is \$850 budgeted for a midyear conference for NEB.

Chairman Anne asked Cheryl Miller to work with FS Carla to prepare the 2016 CFC Application with a submittal deadline of December 1, 2015.

The Chairman also asked Cheryl to work with Treasurer Brenda to address challenges being experience by a Chapter in California in dealing with CA state agencies and proper registration for nonprofits in the state.

It was decided by consensus that the BSM Finance committee will meet monthly on the first Thursday of every month.

Chairman Anne adjourned the meeting at 10:50 Eastern Time.

Respectful submitted,

Cheryl Miller, Finance Committee Member

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