



NYSOMOTC Midterm Executive Board Meeting
Saturday, October 16, 2021
Via Zoom

President Lisa Cartini called the Midterm Executive Board Meeting to order via Zoom at 8:36 AM

Chaplain Michele Camilleri gave the Opening Prayer "Take Time"

President Lisa Cartini welcomed everyone to the Zoom Meeting and thanked everyone.

Parliamentarian Ruth Barone asked that the Officers not be on the Minutes Approval Committee.

Minutes Approval: Kathy Brousseau and Myriam Lavora were appointed by President Lisa Cartini.

Recording Secretary Diana Donovan Campisi called the Roll: Present: President Lisa Cartini, Vice President Barbi Cudney, Treasurer Lorena Cutt, Recording Secretary Diana Donovan Campisi, Advisor Susie Smith, Parliamentarian Ruth Barone, Archivist Michele Camilleri, Chaplain Michele Camilleri, Club Scrapbook Page Contest Chair Susie Venditti, MSS Treasurer/Vice Chairman Kathlene Lyman, MSS Committee Members Myriam Lavora, Jane Martinec, Cathy Renko, MSS Fundraiser Linda Goldsworthy, Membership Pins Michele DelleBovi, Midterm Meeting Chair Shirley Savage, Newsletter Contest Chair Merry Chiu, Newsletter Editor Ericka D'Auria, Nominating Chairman Kathy Brousseau, Nominating Committee Members Linda Goldsworthy, Cathy Marsicano, Procedure Manual Chair Myriam Lavora, Research/Twin Data Mariko Denton, Doreen Greci, State Meeting Liaison Michele Camilleri, 2022 State Meeting Co-Chair Peggy Fiorini, 2022 State Meeting Co-Chair Susie Venditti, 2023 State Meeting Co-Chairs Mariko Denton, Renee Orr, State/National Liaison Ericka D'Auria, Twin Photo Registry Diana Donovan Campisi, Ways and Means Chair Sharon Wetzel, Ways and Means Committee Member Peggy Fiorini, Webmaster Susie Smith, Website/Social Media Committee Members Michele Camilleri, Lori Connolly, Phoebe Kannisto, Past Presidents: Myriam Lavora, Shirley Savage, Michele Camilleri, Ruth Barone, Linda Goldsworthy, Barbi Cudney, Lorena Cutt, Susie Smith.

OFFICERS REPORTS:

President Lisa Cartini asked that we remember Past President Ann O'Gorman in our thoughts. She was loved and did a lot for this organization. She gave her activity report (report attached).

Vice President Barbi Cudney gave her report. There are 12 clubs in the State, with 416 members and all clubs paid their dues. Report attached.

Recording Secretary Diana Donovan Campisi presented the 2021 Friday Executive Board Meeting Minutes for review and corrections. Corrections were: Page 1 Line 17 corrected to remove Linda Redmond and line 19 to remove Nancy Converse and add both 2023 State Meeting Co-Chairs (Mariko Denton and Renee Orr) as present. Page 2 Line 4 corrected "thee" to "the" and the word Zoom added. Page 3 Line 3 corrected to add Glenda Chappell. Line 7 add "to" to "...will be able meet in Vestal". Page 4 Line 15 corrected to Marie Simmons Scholarship Donations on Midterm Registration Form.

Motion: "I, Myriam Lavora, a member of MOTC of Queens at this N.Y.S.O.M.O.T.C. Executive Board Meeting, move to accept the minutes of the Executive Board meeting of Friday, April 23, 2021 as corrected." Seconded by Kathy Brousseau, Schenectady MOTC. Motion carried.



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Recording Secretary Diana Donovan Campisi presented the 2021 Saturday General Meeting Minutes for corrections: Page 1 Line 13 Barbi Cudney name was corrected. Line 28 correction to considerations. Page 2 Line 12 correction to presented and minutes added. Line 23 people added after 81. Line 27 balanced changed to \$7481.46. Page 3 Line 20 correction Lesley Longmcleod. Line 22 Nominations closed. Line 28 Nominations closed. Page 4 Line 4 Lesley Longmcleod name corrected. Line 12 Lesley Longmcleod name corrected. Line 15 added "the" to "accepted the nomination", Line 20 added "the" to "accepted the nomination". Line 28 inspirational reading, and added. Page 5 Line 9 Nita Landes added as Past President present. Line 35 second MOTC taken out. Page 6 Line 3 corrected to located. Line 12 and 13 NYSOMOTC meeting was changed so that more people could attend and that there would be more vendors.

Motion: "I, Barbi Cudney, a member of Westside Suburban Mothers of Twins Club at this N.Y.S.O.M.O.T.C. Executive Board Meeting, move to accept the corrections for the 56th Saturday General Meeting minutes dated Saturday, April 24, 2021 and to present them to the membership for their approval." Seconded by **Michele DelleBovi**, WNY MOMs. Motion carried.

Recording Secretary Diana Donovan Campisi presented the 2021 Sunday Executive Board Meeting Minutes to be reviewed: Page 1 Line 11 changed "announced" to "asked the Executive Board for approval of". Line 17 corrected to Research/Twin Data Photo Registry, add Newsletter Contest Chair Merry Chiu. Line 19 Unity Project changed to Jill Cerchia. Line 24 Twin Photo Registry. Line 32 explanation as to \$20 for the Administrative Assistant's gift for the Recording Secretary. Line 34 changed to was. Page 2 Line 15 2023 State Meeting Co-Chair was added. Line 21 Zoom was capitalized. Line 25 word virtually instead of virtual. Line 27 Bylaw capitalized. Line 29 were changed to was. Page 3 Line 5 comma taken out after place. Line 14 Executive Board capitalized.

The approval of the Sunday Executive Board Meeting Minutes was tabled for the afternoon session, under Old Business, pending the Treasurer's clarification of the Rec. Secretary's gift expense.

Treasurer Lorena Cutt: presented the financial reports for the General Fund and the Eleanor Siegel Fund. General Fund opening balance is \$7,481.46 from April 2021 to October 2021. Club dues \$349.00. Expenses \$767.07 with a closing balance \$7,063.39. Last October was higher in income, lower in expenses. Closing balance last year in October \$7,924.16. The Eleanor Siegel Fund had no income and no expenses. Opening balance \$357.48. Closing balance \$357.48 Last year this time up \$50.04. 12 clubs paid dues totaling \$349.00. 416 members currently. Reports attached.

Parliamentarian Ruth Barone: Since the 2021 Sunday Executive Board Meeting, the Ad Hoc Committee convened 5 times. Thanked Lisa Cartini, Susie Smith, Michele Camilleri, Lorena Cutt and Myriam Lavora. Proposed amendment of Dissolution of the State Organization to be discussed under New Business.

Advisor Susie Smith: Presented her report. Report attached.

Parliamentarian Ruth Barone: Hope everyone got to read the paperwork of the Bylaws. Letter C shall read that the Nominating Chairperson and Committee shall serve one term of two years. **Shirley Savage:** Different places in the Bylaws there are "Term" and other places two consecutive years. Section



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2 used the word Term. A term of Office should be two years. Should be for officer and chairman. Section 2 that the term of office should be two years. Letter C clarify what one term should be. **Linda Goldsworthy**: The Term should be used as two years. **Advisor Susie Smith**: Explained why the word Term of office is two years but a Chairperson can be one or two years. **Treasurer Lorena Cutt**: Explained that the section 2 had to be for the Officers. **Myriam Lavora**: Referring to the term as two years should be used in the same way. Nominating Committee Letter C change it to one term. Clarification of term or two year. The Nominating Chairperson are not officers. **Kathlene Lyman**: Clarify an Officer two years. Nominating Chair and Committee shall serve one term of two years. Article V Officers are President, Vice President, Recording Secretary and Treasurer. **Advisor Susie Smith**: Leaving it as is for the Officers for 2 years. Specify that an officer can serve more than one term in the same position. It is open for other committees. Nominating Chair **Kathy Brousseau**: Nominating Chair and Committee are not officers and that is why they are not listed in Article 5 but in Article 6. **Mariko Denton**: Article 9 Section 1 Annual State Meeting majority vote of member clubs. Section 5 Quorum for Saturday meeting discussed. **Parliamentarian Ruth Barone**: Article 9 Section 1 be Quorum, Next to 50% + 1. **Advisor Susie Smith**: We can put 50% +1. Not 100% of clubs present. And we have had to do emails to the clubs. Archivist Michele Camilleri: Quorum defined in bylaws how many clubs needed for a vote to be official. By putting present you are changing what the Quorum classification means.

President Lisa Cartini requested a motion to present the proposed Bylaws amendments to the membership at the 2022 Saturday General Meeting. Motion was tabled until discussion on Article XIII is completed under New Business.

President Lisa Cartini called a 10-minute break at 10:30 AM. **President Lisa Cartini** resumed the meeting at 10:40 AM.

Standing Committee Reports:

Archivist Michele Camilleri: Looked at photos and nice to see the connection between Eleanor and Marie. Please turn over old files to her.

Calligraphy: Vacant

Chaplain Michele Camilleri: Unfortunately after sending her report, she was made aware that Ann O’Gorman had passed away. Need her mailing address to send a card on behalf of the NYSOMOTC.

Club Scrapbook Page Contest Chair Susan Venditti: 2021 Virtual convention. 5 clubs participated. Winners: 1st Place Westside Suburban MOTC, 2nd Place WNY MOMS, 3rd Place POM of CNY. People’s Choice Westside Suburban MOTC. Congratulations to all who entered. Will have a theme by 3rd Call for 2022.

Librarian Sharon Witul: Absent. **President Lisa Cartini** read her report.

Marie Simmons Scholarship Chairman Shira Dubey: Absent. MSS Treasurer/Vice Chairman **Kathlene Lyman** read her report. Busy 2021-2022 year. Two meetings were held in August and October. Discussed a variety of topics including scholarship publicity, fundraising procedural changes and updates. Publicity



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efforts to surrounding colleges and high schools via email with scholarship to scholarship offices and Guidance counselors as well as speaking with family and friends to drum up interest and applicants. Responded to multiple requests of applications. The MSS Committee has 2 unfilled positions - MSS Fundraiser Chair and Alternate judge. Thank you Kristyn Bird and Linda Goldsworthy for stepping up to and putting together our fundraiser this year. For Midterm Meeting our members had an opportunity to win Scratch-offs basket. Deadline for the scholarship paperwork submission is February 20, 2022. Thank you for all your participation. All proceeds go to the (2) \$1,500 scholarships.

MSS Treasurer/Vice Chairman Kathlene Lyman: Opening balance from last year April 2021-August 2021 is \$8,937.21 Income - Scratch-offs fundraiser 2020/2021 \$490.00, donation from Nassau POMC \$167.00. Expense - 3 winners from the calendar round up to \$501.00 Emily Martinec was sent her Scholarship check. Closing balance \$7,593.21.

MSS Fundraiser Linda Goldsworthy (interim): Reached out to MSS meeting and discussed virtual fundraiser opportunities. Had a meeting with MSS Scholarship Chairman Shira Dubey. Reached out to Nancy Converse and Glenda Chappel for anything they could share. State Reps and president were sent detailed instructions on how the fundraiser would work. 7 clubs sent donations for scratch-offs raffle, 9 clubs participated. Linda regrets that she sent out the wrong email to the state rep and president of WNY MOMs. Dawn McDonald state rep was wonderful; club brought tickets but unfortunately unable to send in donations. Wanted to document this on her report. Open to some discussion. Everything came back differently. Some had to be resent. Payments 1 club sent a paper check to MSS Treasurer. 2 clubs sent paper check to MSS Fundraiser Linda Goldsworthy, 1 club used Venmo to Linda Goldsworthy, 2 clubs used Zelle to Linda Goldsworthy, 3 clubs used Pay Pal to Linda Goldsworthy. Electronic transfer to be sent to MSS Committee. 3 scratch-offs baskets will be raffled at Midterm. Thank you to Kristina Bird. We made \$862.00 with the fundraiser. Discussion in reference to MSS Fundraiser: **Susie Smith:** Asked about discussion about MSS Fundraiser. **Linda Goldsworthy:** Discussed that electric transfer is a popular way to send money and easier for the person receiving it. When Shira had her meeting, it was discussed on how to send in payments.

Membership Pins Michele DelleBovi: Read her report. Accepted position for the 4th term. Placed an order for 18 membership pins. Next year, the members from 2020, 2021 and 2022 will receive their pin.

Midterm Meeting Chair Shirley Savage: Reported that she was asked to be the Midterm Meeting Chair on 6/23/2021. The Quality Inn in Vestal was to hold the Midterm Executive Board Meeting on October 15th, 2021. Unfortunately they would not have been able to accommodate us for lunch. Quality Inn was asked to make up a preliminary contract for the Midterm 2022 and 2023 and they are being reviewed. She did not receive any files or badge pin from the former chairman. The meeting room charge is \$100.00. She will need \$35.00 for supplies.

Newsletter Contest Merry Chiu: Happy to be reporting as a new board member on NYSOMOTC. She has 7 year old twin boys, 4 1/2 year old daughter. She completed 3 years of service as president of Nassau POMC. Member of the local club for 7 years. Received guidance from her predecessor Kristen Pace, on how to manage this position.



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Nominating Chairman Kathy Brousseau: Has been working closely with the Nominating Committee to fill vacant spots. Please consider joining either position. There are openings for the Marie Simmons Scholarship Committee Alternate and the Fundraiser Chair. Thanked Linda Goldsworthy and Kristina Bird for their help with the fundraiser.

Photographer Sharon Atti: Absent. No report presented.

Procedure Manual Chairman Myriam Lavora: The following updates to the Procedure Manual will be reviewed at this meeting: MSS Fundraiser, Webmaster/Website Committee. 2021 State Rep Packet was emailed to the members clubs' state reps, and presidents, the State Vice President and the Webmaster.

Newsletter Editor Ericka D'Auria: Has been editing and typing the Presidential Papers. A tally is being kept of the state reps who have sent in an article for the Presidential Papers, in preparation for the report of the Super State Rep award. Vice President Barbi Cudney sent copies of the clubs stats forms. The Member Clubs' Directory was emailed to all in September. All articles are due by October 21st, 2021.

Twin Data Registry/Research Mariko Denton & Doreen Greci: **Doreen Greci:** Doreen entered data to the LibreOffice free version from Twin Data Registry forms that will be ongoing. Thank you to Kathy Brousseau for helping and setting it up. She is learning from the online tutorials. After Midterm, she will send out block data forms to the state reps and let them know who has send them back. **Mariko Denton:** Preview of the proposed survey for the 2021-22 Research Project. Research Questions: Since the COVID-19 pandemic started, how has certain life aspects changed for our members? Presentation in Word. All questions different ex shopping online, different methods of shopping online, Scan as you shop apps. Stimulus checks and how people used them, Moms of young children home schooling, did you start a new hobby. Demographics of multiples, how old they are, general questions and asking about local club. The survey will be electronic/on screen responses.

2022 State Meeting Co-Chairs Susan Venditti/Peggy Fiorini: Reported they have been working very diligently to get things set. Just when we think everything is ok, the hotel has limitations. Will have everything by the Third Call. In the Presidential Papers they provide a link for the hotel. Please let them know if it works. Hope to see all in person in 2022.

2023 State Meeting Co-Chairs Renee Orr/Mariko Denton: Presented two slides. Update what we are planning for the 58th Annual State Meeting. Embassy Suites by Hilton, 200 Delaware Ave, Buffalo. May 4th-7th, 2023. Rate per night \$139 for double/queen. Parking is valet at \$15.00 day. There is a link for the Hotel to book your reservation. If there is a problem with reservation let them know. There is a shuttle to and from the hotel. Club check required for tax exemption. Credit card will be a 3% fee. You can use a personal check.

Update from 2020 State Meeting Progress: Mariko offered an explanation on their hotel's refusal to return their \$4,550 deposit, as the 2020 State Meeting had to be cancelled due to the pandemic. The matter remained unresolved as of this meeting. It was suggested that they approach the State Attorney General and local TV Stations for assistance.



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State Meeting Liaison Michele Camilleri: gave her report.

State/National Liaison Ericka D'Auria: reported that Multiples of America is proposing an increase of their dues to \$15.

President Lisa Cartini called the LUNCH BREAK at 11:54 AM. **President Lisa Cartini** resumed the meeting at 1:05 PM.

Recording Secretary Diana Donovan Campisi called the Roll. Present: **President Lisa Cartini, Vice President Barbi Cudney, Treasurer Lorena Cutt, Recording Secretary Diana Donovan Campisi, Advisor Susie Smith, Parliamentarian Ruth Barone, Club Scrapbook Page Contest Chair Susie Venditti, MSS Treasurer/Vice Chairman Kathlene Lyman, MSS Committee Members, Myriam Lavora, Jane Martinec, Cathy Renko, MSS Fundraiser Linda Goldsworthy, Membership Pins Michele DelleBovi, Midterm Meeting Chair Shirley Savage, Newsletter Contest Chair Merry Chiu, Newsletter Editor Ericka D'Auria, Nominating Chair Kathy Brousseau, Members: Linda Goldsworthy, Cathy Marsicano, Procedure Manual Chair Myriam Lavora, Research/Twin Data Registry Mariko Denton, Doreen Grenci, 2022 State Meeting Chair Peggy Fiorini, 2022 State Meeting Co-Chair Susie Venditti, 2023 State Meeting Co-Chair Mariko Denton, State/National Liaison Ericka D'Auria, Twin Photo Registry Diana Donovan Campisi, Ways and Means Chair Sharon Wetzel, Ways and Means Committee Member Peggy Fiorini, Webmaster Susie Smith, Website/Social Media Committee Members Lori Connolly, Phoebe Kannisto. Past Presidents: Myriam Lavora, Shirley Savage, Ruth Barone, Linda Goldsworthy, Barbi Cudney, Lorena Cutt, Susie Smith.**

Twin Photo Registry Diana Donovan Campisi: gave her report.

Unity Project Jill Cerchia: Absent. No report

Ways & Means Sharon Wetzel: gave her report. Theme for Ways and Means Auction baskets is "I'm Looking for..." Send her a 1st & 2nd choice via email.

Webmaster Susie Smith: gave her report and provided a breakdown of where our annual payments go for services. Zoom fees are \$149.90 and are renewed annually in May.

MSS Fundraiser Linda Goldsworthy conducted the MSS Lotto raffle. Winners were: Diana Miller (Nassau POMC), Myriam Lavora (MOTC Queens) and Linda Goldsworthy (POM-CNY) Linda gifted her basket of tickets to Erma Dineen.

Old Business:

Treasurer's Clarification of the \$20 expense in question. **Treasurer Lorena Cutt** stated that the \$20 is the cost for the Recording Secretary's gift, aka Administrative Professional's gift.

Bank Account link with Zelle - Treasurer Lorena Cutt stated that the State Organization's business checking accounts are with a local area bank that does not provide the electronic fund transfer service. Chase and Bank of America do and require a minimum daily balance of \$2000. Myriam Lavora suggested



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to open a General Fund account at Chase Bank. Maintain the Eleanor Siegel Fund at Citizen's Bank as this account has no minimum amount requirement or other monthly bank fees. This was approved by the Executive Board.

2021 Sunday Executive Board Meeting Minutes' approval – Motion: "I, Myriam Lavora, a member of MOTC of Queens at this N.Y.S.O.M.O.T.C. Executive Board Meeting, move to accept the minutes of the Executive Board meeting of Sunday, April 25, 2021 as corrected." Seconded by **Kathy Brousseau**, Schenectady MOTC. Motion carried.

New Business:

Article XIII Dissolution Statement – Parliamentarian Ruth Barone presented the new amendment to the Bylaws, as proposed by the Ad Hoc Committee. Discussion was held on various points of concern with the wording and the intended clarity of the statement, particularly with Letters A & C. It was decided that the amendment will be re-written, to be reviewed again at the 2022 Friday Executive Board Meeting, before presenting to the membership at the Saturday General Meeting.

Motion: "I, **Shirley Savage**, a member of **Southern Tier Mother of Twins Club** at this N.Y.S.O.M.O.T.C. Executive Board Meeting, move to recommend to the membership for consideration at the Saturday General Meeting the changes and updates to the current Bylaws/Standing Rules."

Seconded by **Myriam Lavora**, MOTC of Queens. Motion carried.

MSS Committee Alternate – Merry Chiu volunteered.

Rename Calligrapher – President Lisa Cartini suggested to rename this position. It was suggested that each person who issues certificates, prepare their own. This action would phase out the Calligrapher's position and would also affect the Bylaws. Myriam Lavora suggested that we complete the Bylaws changes already in process before amending the Calligrapher's board position.

New Calligrapher – Cathy Renko volunteered.

Procedure Manual Chair Myriam Lavora - presented revisions for MSS Fundraiser and Webmaster positions for board's approval.

Certified/Return Receipt Mailings – discussion on whether this type of costly mailing should be continued and if it should be a procedural requirement in certain cases as in mailing of checks for the MSS Fundraiser.

Past Presidents: Susie Smith, Shirley Savage, Lorena Cutt, Linda Goldsworthy, Ruth Barone, Barbi Cudney and Myriam Lavora were called upon to give their greetings and well wishes.

No Announcements

Closing Prayer – Myriam Lavora read the Closing Prayer on behalf of Chaplain Michele Camilleri.

President Lisa Cartini closed the Midterm Executive Board Meeting at 3:15 PM.



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- 1 Respectfully submitted,
- 2 **Diana Donovan Campisi – Recording Secretary**
- 3 **Kathy Brousseau – Minutes Approval**
- 4 **Myriam Lavora - Minutes Approval**