



New York State Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs
2022 Friday Executive Board Meeting – April 29, 2022 – East Syracuse

1 **President Lisa Cartini called the 2022 Friday Executive Board Meeting to order at**
2 **8:48 am.**

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4 **Recording Secretary Diana Donovan-Campisi** had previously informed **President**
5 **Lisa Cartini** that she was resigning her position.

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7 **“I, Kathy Brousseau, a member of Schenectady MOTC, at this NYSOMOTC**
8 **Executive Board Meeting nominate Michele Camilleri for the position of**
9 **Recording Secretary for the remainder of the 2021-2022 year and for the 2022-**
10 **2023 year.”** Seconded by **Renie Cutt**. All were in favor.

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12 **Chaplain Michele Camilleri** gave the Opening Reflection. Thankful is the word of the
13 day.

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15 **President’s Lisa Cartini** welcomed everyone to the Meeting and asked that we keep in
16 mind those who could not be here.

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18 **President Lisa Cartini** appointed **Myriam Lavora** and **Kathy Brousseau** as the
19 Minutes Approval Committee.

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21 **Recording Secretary Michele Camilleri** called the Roll. Present were: **President Lisa**
22 **Cartini, Vice President Barbi Cudney, Treasurer Lorena Cutt, Recording Secretary**
23 **Michele Camilleri, Advisor Susie Smith, Parliamentarian Ruth Barone, Archivist**
24 **Michele Camilleri, Calligraphy Cathy Renko, Chaplain Michele Camilleri, Club**
25 **Scrapbook Page Contest Chair Susie Venditti, Marie Simmons Scholarship Chair**
26 **Shira Dubey, Marie Simmons Scholarship Vice Chair/Treasurer Kathlene Lyman,**
27 **Marie Simmons Scholarship Committee Member Myriam Lavora, Marie Simmons**
28 **Scholarship Committee Member Jane Martinec, Marie Simmons Scholarship**
29 **Committee Member Cathy Renko, Marie Simmons Scholarship Committee**
30 **Member Pam Reussow, Marie Simmons Scholarship Fundraiser - Acting Linda**
31 **Goldsworthy, Membership Pins Chair Michele DelleBovi, Midterm Meeting Chair**
32 **Shirley Savage, Midterm Meeting Co-Chair Mary Lou Surmik, Newsletter Editor**
33 **Ericka D’Auria, Nominating Chair Kathy Brousseau, Nominating Committee**
34 **Member Kristina Bird, Nominating Committee Member Linda Goldsworthy,**
35 **Nominating Committee Member Hope Kaufman, Photographer Sharon Atti,**
36 **Procedure Manual Chair Myriam Lavora, Research Mariko Denton, Twin Data**
37 **Registry Doreen Greci, State Meeting Liaison Michele Camilleri, 2022 State**
38 **Meeting Chair Peggy Fiorini, 2022 State Meeting Co-Chair Susie Venditti, 2023**
39 **State Meeting Co-Chair Mariko Denton, Twin/Photo Registry Diana Donovan-**
40 **Campisi, Ways & Means Chair Sharon Wetzel, Ways & Means Committee Member**
41 **Peggy Fiorini, Webmaster Susie Smith, Website/Social Media Committee Member**
42 **Michele Camilleri, Website/Social Media Committee Member Lori Connolly,**
43 **Website/Social Media Committee Member Phoebe Kannisto Past Presidents:**



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Myriam Lavora (2X), Shirley Savage, Michele Camilleri (2X), Ruth Barone, Linda Goldsworthy, Barbi Cudney, Lorena Cutt, Susie Smith.

Past President Nita Landes was sent all the items for the State Meeting, and she will attend Saturday General Meeting via a Zoom hook up

State Meeting Co-Chairs Susie Venditti and Peggy Fiorini reported 76 members and 5 guests were in attendance at this State Meeting. They discussed the activities and flow of the weekend. Ten vendors participating in Show and Sell. Nassau County POM donated the pizza for the Hospitality room on Thursday. They also thanked TNT of CNY for hosting Hospitality.

Ways and Means Chair Sharon Wetzel gave her report. Baskets were donated from all the clubs represented at the State Meeting. She recommended we raise the ticket price. The Board agreed.

OFFICERS REPORTS:

President Lisa Cartini gave her report highlighting her activities during the year. Report attached.

Vice President Barbi Cudney read her report. Attached. We currently have 12 clubs with 416 members.

Recording Secretary Michele Camilleri reviewed the 2021 Midterm Meeting Board Minutes. There were no corrections. **“I, Mariko Denton, a member of Western NY MoMs, at this NYSOMOTC Executive Board Meeting, move to accept the Minutes from October 16, 2021, Midterm Board Meeting as presented.”** Motion seconded by **Myriam Lavora**. All were in favor.

Treasurer Renie Cutt presented the Treasurer’s Report for the General Fund. Report Attached. Opening Balance \$7481.46, Total Expenses \$1182.42 Total Income \$349 Closing Balance \$6648.04. She then gave the report for the Eleanor Siegel Fund. Report attached. Opening Balance \$357.48. There was no Income or Expenses during this period. Closing Balance \$357.48. She is currently looking into a new bank as we are trying to use Zelle as a form of payment and the bank we currently use does not offer this option. She will keep us updated on her search.

President Lisa Cartini appointed **Doreen Grenci** and **Barbi Cudney** as the Audit Committee to review the books for the General Fund, Eleanor Siegel Fund, and the Marie Simmons Scholarship Fund.

Parliamentarian Ruth Barone reported on her activities for the year. Report attached. She discussed the resignation of the Recording Secretary and how the Bylaws outlined how the vacancy would be filled. She presented the proposed NYSOMOTC Dissolution



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1 Amendment. Attached. **“I, Jane Martinec, a member of Schenectady MOTC, at this**
2 **NYSOMOTC Executive Board Meeting, move we recommend to the membership**
3 **the addition of Article XIII Dissolution as presented by the Ad Hoc Committee.”**

4 Motion seconded by **Myriam Lavora**. All were in favor. **Parliamentarian Ruth Barone**
5 stated that this would be presented to the Membership for consideration at the 2023
6 State Meeting. **Nominating Chair Kathy Brousseau** questioned the why we would not
7 be voting on this proposed amendment at the 2022 Saturday General Meeting. **Past**
8 **President Michele Camilleri** stated that the motion did not include a delay until the
9 2023 State Meeting to present this to the membership and following procedures once a
10 motion is recommended to the membership it is presented at the next general meeting.
11 We agreed to review the tape to hear the exact wording of the parliamentarian’s
12 presentation as well as the motion.

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14 **President Lisa Cartini** called for a 10-minute break at 9:44 am. She recalled the
15 meeting at 10 AM.

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17 After reviewing the tape, the Executive Board agreed to present this recommendation to
18 the membership at the 2022 Saturday General Meeting. The clubs will be given time to
19 discuss this before the vote. **Parliamentarian Ruth Barone** stated this will require a
20 2/3 vote.

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22 **2022 State Meeting Chair Susie Venditti** announced she returned the registration fee
23 and luncheon fee to Michele Camilleri who asked that it be donated to Eleanor Siegel
24 Fund. She also paid the Assessment Fee of \$1.00 per attendee x 81 attendees \$81.00,
25 repaid the State Meeting Loan of \$2000.00, and turned over the vendor’s registration for
26 Show & Sell in the amount of \$200.00.

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28 **Advisor Susie Smith** gave her report. Her report is attached.

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30 **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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32 **Archivist Michele Camilleri** reported that she could take any files over two years that
33 board members have with them. Report attached.

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35 **Calligraphy Cathy Renko** created the certificates for distribution this weekend.

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37 **Chaplain Michele Camilleri** gave her report. Attached. **Procedure Manual Chair**
38 **Myriam Lavora** questioned who has the Memorial Book for the Eleanor Siegel Fund.
39 Currently the Calligrapher holds the book. However, currently we are unsure where this
40 book is. We will contact past position holders to search for this book.

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42 **Club Scrapbook Page Contest Chair Susie Venditti** reported the theme was “Here’s
43 Looking at our Kids”, 6 clubs participated. She will present the winners at the Saturday
44 General Meeting.



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1 **Librarian Sharon Witul** absent. No report given

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3 **Marie Simmons Scholarship Chair Shira Dubey** gave her report. She stated the
4 committee needs someone to become the MSS Fundraiser. She had 9 requests for the
5 applications with less than 3 returned and reviewed by the Committee. Her report is
6 attached.

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8 **Marie Simmons Scholarship Vice Chair/Treasurer Kathlene Lyman** gave report
9 which is attached. Opening Balance \$8937.21 Total Income \$3522.00, Total Expenses
10 \$2031.86, Closing Balance \$10,427.35.

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12 **Marie Simmons Scholarship Acting Fundraiser Linda Goldsworthy** reported on the
13 participation in the calendar raffle. 10 clubs participated with a total collected of
14 \$1528.00. We will continue to sell dates this weekend. Myriam Lavora won a raffle
15 scratch off tickets at last year's virtual Midterm Board Meeting. They were mailed to her
16 but never received. She was given a new scratch off upon arrival.

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18 **Membership Pins Chair Michele DelleBovi** gave her report. Attached. She will be
19 presenting 3 years' worth of pins at the Saturday General Meeting. There are a total of
20 36 recipients of pins. There was a total of 21 First Time Attendees over the last three
21 years.

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23 **Midterm Meeting Chair Shirley Savage** absent. **Co-Chair Mary Lou Surmik** gave
24 the report. 2022 Midterm is October 15, 2022, at the Quality Inn & Suites in Vestal.
25 Hotel registration must be made by September 23. Meeting Registration is due to
26 Shirley by October 1. For either a king or two double the room rate is \$99.95. If you stay
27 in the hotel Friday night you will have breakfast included.

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29 **Newsletter Contest Chair Merry Chiu** absent. **Advisor Susie Smith** read her report
30 which is attached.

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32 **Newsletter Editor Ericka D'Auria** gave her report. Attached.

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34 **Nominating Chair Kathy Brousseau** gave her report. Attached. She stated this is not
35 an election year she was however looking for candidates for MSS Fundraiser and
36 Librarian.

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38 **Marie Simmons Scholarship Vice Chair Kathlene Lyman** asked why **Nancy**
39 **Converse** is no longer the Fundraiser. She questioned if Nancy stepped down or was
40 asked to resign. **Marie Simmons Scholarship Committee Member Pam Reussow**
41 stated that the committee was not informed of this situation. **Advisor Susie Smith**
42 stated she was unaware of any controversy in the replacement of the fundraiser.
43 Further investigation into this matter is needed and will be discussed at the Sunday



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Executive Board Meeting.

Photographer Sharon Atti gave her report. She was happy to be in person. She will be taking pictures all weekend. Make sure to smile!

Midterm Meeting Chair and Past President Shirley Savage entered the meeting

Procedure Manual Chair Myriam Lavora reviewed her packet of changes to the Procedure Manual. Report attached. Changes to the MSS Fundraiser and Webmaster/Social Media Committee were distributed for inclusion in the Procedure Manual. Minutes Approval, Recording Secretary and Ways & Means were presented for changes for the 2022 - 2023 year. The name of the Chinese Auction was suggested to be changed as this terminology was found to be offensive. All references to She will be changed to They. She asked that each Board Member review their position to make the wording more politically correct. The Vice President ordered the Super State Bars this year. The State Rep Packet will be mailed to the State Reps and Club Presidents.

2023 State Meeting Co-Chair Mariko Denton reported the theme is “Buffalo or Bust, ain’t no stopping us now” at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Buffalo Room Rates \$139 double queen room. May 4 -7, 2023. Parking fee of \$15 per night. They are taking the hotel to small claims court to try and recoup their funds/deposit.

Research Mariko Denton gave the results of the survey, “Life changes since the Pandemic”. Detailed results of the survey as well as her report are attached.

Twin Data Registry Chair Doreen Greci presented the details of the Twin Data Form. Her report as well as copies of the form are attached.

State Meeting Liaison Michele Camilleri gave her report. Attached.

State/National Liaison Ericka D’Auria reported Multiples of America will hold its convention virtually on July 29 – July 30, 2022. There is a \$30 registration fee.

Twin Photo Registry Diana Donovan-Campisi had to leave the room. Twin Data Registry Chair Doreen Greci read her report. Attached.

Unity Project Chair Jill Cerchia absent. No report.

Website/Social Media Committee Webmaster Susie Smith gave her report. Attached. She will update the passwords for the website. They are Club - NewHope and Board - NewYear2022

The **Past Presidents** were called upon and discussed their pleasure in being in person and any news in their lives.



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Old Business:

The Audit Committee will meet right after this meeting.

Michele Szatkowski purchased and donated flowers for the Memorial Service.

Procedure Manual Chair Myriam Lavora proposed the change from Calligraphy to Calligrapher. Discussion followed. It was decided to change the title to Certificate Chairperson. Further discussion on this matter tabled until Midterm.

New Business:

1. **Midterm Chair Shirley Savage** stated she enjoys the Presidential Papers, but she is unable to download it or read it on her computer. **Newsletter Editor Ericka D'Auria** will send a black & white copy to Shirley and anyone else who would like it that way.

2. **Nominating Chair Kathy Brousseau** asked that we consider removing the requirement for a signature of an officer from your local club or an officer of NYSOMOTC. Further discussion on this matter will be tabled until Midterm.

3. **Items tabled** until the Sunday Executive Board Meeting were renaming Chaplain and the Chinese Auction.

There were no Announcements.

Chaplain Michele Camilleri gave the Closing Reflection.

President Lisa Cartini closed the 2022 Friday Executive Board Meeting at 12:03 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele Camilleri – Recording Secretary

Kathy Brousseau – Minutes Approval

Myriam Lavora – Minutes Approval



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