



2024 Sunday Executive Board Meeting

April 14, 2024 - Hyatt Regency Hotel Hauppauge

1 **The 2024 Sunday Executive Board Meeting** was called to order at 8:30 am by **President Kathy**
2 **Brousseau.**

3 **Reflection Chair Kathlene Lyman** gave the opening reflections wishing everyone a successful
4 year.

5 **President Kathy Brousseau** welcomed everyone to the new year and thanked MOTC Suffolk

6 **President Kathy Brousseau** appointed **Myriam Lavora MOTC Queens** and **Doreen Greci**
7 **MOTC Suffolk** to the Minutes Approval Committee.

8 **Recording Secretary Michele Camilleri** called the Roll. Present were: **President Kathy**
9 **Brousseau, Vice President Pam Reussow, Treasurer Susie Smith, Recording Secretary**
10 **Michele Camilleri, Advisor Lisa Cartini, Parliamentarian Kathlene Lyman, Archivist Michele**
11 **Camilleri, Club Scrapbook Page Contest Chair Melissa Cocchiara, Librarian Kristina Bird,**
12 **Marie Simmons Scholarship Treasurer/Vice Chair Renie Cutt, Marie Simmons Scholarship**
13 **Committee Member Myriam Lavora, Marie Simmons Scholarship Committee Member**
14 **Sharon Witul, Marie Simmons Scholarship Fundraiser Diana Donovan-Campisi,**
15 **Membership Pins Chair Michele DelleBovi, Midterm Meeting Co-Chair Renie Cutt, Midterm**
16 **Meeting Co-Chair Lori Connolly, Newsletter Editor Ericka D'Auria, Nominating Chair Ruth**
17 **Barone, Nominating Committee Member Michelle Kesner, Nominating Committee Member**
18 **Jane Martinec, Photographer Karyn Audycki, Procedure Manual Chair Myriam Lavora,**
19 **Reflections Kathlene Lyman, Twin Data Registry Doreen Greci, State Meeting Co-Liaison**
20 **Susie Smith, State Meeting Co-Liaison Janine Weber, 2024 State Meeting Co-Chair Susie**
21 **Smith, 2024 State Meeting Co-Chair Janine Weber, 2025 State Meeting Co-Chair Tracey**
22 **Schaner, 2025 State Meeting Co-Chair Kristina Bird, State/National Liaison Diana Miller,**
23 **Twin Photo Registry Sharon Witul, Unity Project Jane Martinec, Ways and Means Chair**
24 **Sharon Wetzel, Ways and Means Committee Member Peggy Fiorini, Ways and Means**
25 **Committee Member Linda Gettings, Webmaster Susie Smith, Website/Social Media**
26 **Committee Michele Camilleri, Website/Social Media Committee Lori Connolly, Past**
27 **Presidents: Myriam Lavora (2x), Sharon Witul, Michele Camilleri (2x), Ruth Barone, Lorena**
28 **Cutt, Susie Smith, Lisa Cartini**

29 **President Kathy Brousseau** stated the Board Directory, Equipment Inventory and Badge lists
30 were passed around. She asked that everyone please make sure to complete.

31 **Vice President Pam Reussow** said what a wonderful weekend she had. She said President
32 Brousseau did a wonderful job this weekend as well as the Executive Board.

33 **Treasurer Susie Smith** presented the 2024-2025 Proposed Budget for review. **State/National**
34 **Liaison Diana Miller** stated the NOMOTC ad was seventy-five dollars last year with a possible
35 increase this year. She asked the budget to reflect the \$75. To balance the numbers five dollars
36 was taken from the Recording Secretary's expenses. There were no further questions or
37 comments. **"If there are no objections, I, President Kathy Brousseau will accept the 2024-**



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1 **2025 Proposed budget as amended at this April 14, 2024, Sunday Executive Board**
2 **Meeting.** There were no objections.

3 **Marie Simmons Scholarship Fundraiser Diana Donovan-Campisi** reported \$525 was raised in
4 raffle sales this weekend. The Calendar Raffle raised \$1346 in total.

5 **Midterm Board Meeting Co-Chair Renie Cutt and Co-Chair Lori Connolly** reported they are
6 working on a location for the 2024 Midterm Board Meeting. It will be held October 19, 2024. As
7 soon as they can, further information will be sent.

8 **Newsletter Editor Ericka D'Auria** stated articles are due April 20, 2024.

9 **State/National Liaison Diana Miller** will create the Multiples of America convention ad. The
10 Convention dates are July 25-27, 2024 in Louisville, Kentucky.

11 **Procedure Manual Chair Myriam Lavora** reported a mix up in the two badges – each for a
12 different position. The printer engraved two badges with both positions on them. A new order has
13 been placed. **Procedure Manual Chair Myriam Lavora** reviewed the proposed changes to the
14 procedure manual based on the recommendations of the committee and the motions made at the
15 General Meeting. State Meeting Nametags will no longer have an emblem for the children. She
16 will update the comp rooms and who pays as this matter was resolved at the Saturday General
17 Meeting. Raffle tickets and tablecloths will have matching colors for each of the different raffles.
18 Increase the Show and Sell fee to \$30. The evaluation form will be a Google document. **Past**
19 **President Ruth Barone** asked if it was fair to the member clubs to not be able to receive a
20 refund. **President Kathy Brousseau** asked for a clarification on the fee structure. Vendors
21 currently pay \$25 and clubs pay \$15. **Treasurer Susie Smith** and **2025 State Meeting Co-Chair**
22 **Kristina Bird**, who were on the committee to review the State Meeting Guidelines, recalled that
23 the fee structure was \$30 for all, and they did not consider clubs at a lower fee. **Treasurer Susie**
24 **Smith** asked if we should go to \$20 for clubs and \$30 for outside vendors. **President Kathy**
25 **Brousseau** tabled this discussion on Show and Sell fees and who should receive them until
26 Midterm 2024. **President Kathy Brousseau** asked for a show of hands to approve the changes
27 proposed and discussed. She stated that the matter of Show and Sell was not part of this
28 approval. All agreed. A question was raised as to when the changes to Show and Sell, if approved
29 at Midterm, would take effect. **Past President Ruth Barone** stated it would be immediate.
30 **Procedure Manual Chair Myriam Lavora** stated that the form would be updated, and the new
31 information would be included. **Parliamentarian Kathlene Lyman** stated that the Show and Sell
32 fee is non-refundable.

33 **2024 State Meeting Co-Chair Susie Smith and Co-Chair Janine Weber** thanked everyone for
34 coming. **Susie Smith** thanked her **Co-Chair Janine Weber** for her work and friendship. No final
35 report was available on Show and Sell total fees collected. There were 32 vendors with 2 no
36 shows and one left after setting up due to a family emergency.

37 **2025 State Meeting Co-Chair Tracey Schaner and Co-Chair Kristina Bird** are looking forward
38 to hosting the 2025 State Meeting. The room rate is \$169 all size rooms. The dates are April 24 –
39 27, 2025 more details will be forthcoming. The theme is "Shine Bright like a Diamond."



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Way & Means Chair Sharon Wetzel reported the Eleanor Siegel Fund \$50/50 raised \$630 with \$315 going to the winner. Approximately \$400 was raised in Ways and Means raffles. She stated there was a slight mix up in the placement of baskets on the wrong tables. There was some confusion on where the Executive Board Baskets should have gone. All donations should be labeled that they can go to the proper raffle table. After a discussion it was clarified that club baskets are for Ways and Means and the Executive Board baskets are for the host club. **2025 State Meeting Co-Chair Kristina Bird** felt that new members are not given information on what Ways and Means was and what the money was for. **Treasurer Susie Smith** suggested each Board Member write a description about what they do in their position for the March/April Presidential Papers.

President Kathy Brousseau asked the Board to discuss with their clubs considering hosting the 2026 State Meeting.

Old Business:

- 1. Twin Photo Registry Sharon Witul** felt the guidelines were vague and needed to be clarified. A committee was formed to review the Twin Photo Registry and Club Scrapbook Contest Chair job requirements. The committee will meet via Zoom and report back at Midterm. The committee will consist of **Sharon Witul, Melissa Cocchiara, Myriam Lavora and President Kathy Brousseau**. **Past President Ruth Barone** suggested contacting Past President Barbi Cudney. As a past Twin Photo Registry Chair, she may be able to help the committee. **President Kathy Brousseau** will reach out to Barbi.
- 2. President Kathy Brousseau** stated that there is no Research Chair. The direction of this position and how the Twin Data Registry Chair can work together was tabled until Midterm.
- 3. President Kathy Brousseau** asked if we wish to continue the Eleanor Siegel 50/50 fundraiser. Discussion was positive. **Past President Ruth Barone** asked if we were going to continue the practice of donating to the Eleanor Siegel fund on the registration form. **President Kathy Brousseau** stated we would continue both and asked if this is a procedure change for the manual. **Procedure Manual Chair Myriam Lavora** will update the manual.

New Business:

- 1. Webmaster Susie Smith** asked if we would continue sending to the Board and printing the reports for the Officers and Minutes Approval for the meetings. No exceptions if the reports were not received by the deadline, then the board member was responsible for bringing copies to distribute. This was an organized way to present the reports. The Webmaster will receive the reports and the Website/Social Media Committee will be responsible for printing and distributing the reports. The Webmaster in cooperation with the President will set the deadline for submission of the reports.
- 2. Increase in Website Hosting Fees - Webmaster Susie Smith** discussed the rising cost of the renewal fee would be for 10 years. Renewal fees are costly, and she suggested



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1 renewing for one year and then revisit. The one-year fee is approximately \$250 - \$275, ten
2 years renewal is approximately \$2000-\$2500. **Webmaster Susie Smith** will check into the
3 possible fee structure. She stated that a decision needs to be made as to renewal as the
4 hosting fee expires August 30, 2024. **President Kathy Brousseau** stated we would go with
5 the one-year option and the committee will review this matter and report at Midterm.

6 **President Kathy Brousseau** stated there is no bid for the 2026 State Meeting yet. She reiterated
7 we will wait until September 1, 2024.

8 The **Past Presidents** were called on to give their well wishes.
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10 **Announcements: 2024 State Meeting Co-Chair Susie Smith** asked everyone to drop off their
11 evaluation forms or use the QR code printed on the front of the convention journal.
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13 **Melissa Cocchiara** volunteered to take on the Newsletter Contest Chair.

14 **Reflections Chair Kathlene Lyman** discussed the wonderful times we shared and the bonds we
15 made this weekend.

16 **President Kathy Brousseau** adjourned the 2024 Sunday Executive Board Meeting at 9:50 am.
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18 **Respectfully submitted,**
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20 **Michele Camilleri – Recording Secretary**
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22 **Myriam Lavora – Minutes Approval Committee**
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24 **Doreen Greci – Minutes Approval Committee**