



**Friday Executive Board Meeting Agenda  
Friday, April 12, 2024  
Hyatt Regency Hotel Hauppauge**

The Friday, April 12, 2024 Executive Board Meeting was called to order at: 8:38 am by  
**President Kathy Brousseau.**

**Reflections Chair Kathlene Lyman** talked about the closeness of the group and how much we look forward to seeing everyone and catching up.

**President Kathy Brousseau** appointed **Myriam Lavora** and **Ruth Barone** to the Minutes Approval Committee.

**President Kathy Brousseau** welcomed everyone to the 2024 State Meeting and looked forward to accomplishing work and having fun.

**2024 Co-Chairs Susie Smith** welcomed everyone on behalf of her club and **Co-Chair Janine Weber**. They reviewed the various activities scheduled for the weekend.

**Recording Secretary Michele Camilleri** called the Roll. Present were: **President Kathy Brousseau, Vice President Pam Reussow, Treasurer Susie Smith, Recording Secretary Michele Camilleri, Advisor Lisa Cartini, Parliamentarian Kathlene Lyman, Archivist Michele Camilleri, Club Scrapbook Page Contest Chair Melissa Cocchiara, Librarian Kristina Bird, Marie Simmons Scholarship Treasurer/Vice Chair Lorena Cutt, Marie Simmons Scholarship Committee Member Myriam Lavora, Marie Simmons Scholarship Committee Member Sharon Witul, Membership Pins Chair Michele DelleBovi, Midterm Meeting Co-Chair Lorena Cutt, Midterm Meeting Co-Chair Lori Connolly, Newsletter Editor Ericka D'Auria, Nominating Chair Ruth Barone, Nominating Committee Member Michelle Kesner, Nominating Committee Member Jane Martinec, Photographer. Karyn Audycki, Procedure Manual Chair Myriam Lavora, Reflections Kathlene Lyman, Research Nadine Fitoussi, Twin Data Registry Doreen Greci, 2024 State Meeting Co-Chair Susie Smith, 2024 State Meeting Co-Chair Janine Weber, 2025 State Meeting Co-Chair Tracy Schaner, 2025 State Meeting Co-Chair Kristina Bird, Twin Photo Registry Sharon Witul, Unity Project Jane Martinec, Ways and Means Chair Sharon Wetzel, Ways And Means Committee Member Peggy Fiorini, Ways and Means Committee Member Linda Gettings, Webmaster Susie Smith, Website/Social Media Committee Member Michele Camilleri, Website/Social Media Committee Member Lori Connolly. Past Presidents: **Myriam Lavora (2X), Sharon Witul, Michele Camilleri (2X), Ruth Barone, Linda Goldsworthy, Lorena Cutt, Susie Smith, Lisa Cartini.****

**OFFICERS' REPORTS**

**President: Kathy Brousseau** gave an overview of her accomplishments. Report attached.

**Vice President Pam Reussow** gave her report. She reviewed membership numbers. There



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are 12 clubs with 361 members. Report attached.

**Recording Secretary Michele Camilleri** gave her report. Attached. The following corrections were made to the 2023 Midterm Board Meeting Minutes: Page 2 line 13 add "Minutes" after Meeting; line 23 after the line change line 6 to page 6 line 8; Page 4 line 18 add \$ to 1710.79; Line 19 add \$ to 163.73.

**"I, Lori Connolly, a member of Greater Rochester MOTC, at this NYSOMOTC Executive Board Meeting, move to approve the Minutes of the Saturday Midterm Executive Board Meeting held October 12, 2023, as corrected."** Motion seconded by **Lisa Cartini**.

**Marie Simmons Scholarship Chair Merry Chiu** entered the room.

**Ways & Means Chair Sharon Wetzel** gave her report on her activities this year. Report attached.

**Treasurer Susie Smith** reported that Zelle is up and running and have made things easier for her. Eleanor Siegel Fund thru March 31 Opening Balance \$653.37, Total Income \$21675.10, Total Expenses \$2024.00, Closing Balance \$794.47. She reviewed the previous year's activity.

General Fund Opening Balance \$6467.53, Total Income \$5277.25, Total Expenses \$5802.83 Closing Balance \$5941.95. She reviewed the previous year's activities.

**2024 State Meeting Co-Chair Susie Smith** reported that there were 97 attendees at this state meeting.

**President Kathy Brousseau** appointed **Michele Camilleri** and **Melissa Cocchiara** to the Audit Committee.

**Treasurer Susie Smith** reported all expenses paid this weekend were not included in the report.

**Parliamentarian Kathlene Lyman** gave her report. Report attached.

**Advisor Lisa Cartini** gave her report. Report attached.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Archivist: Michele Camilleri** gave her report. She will be able to take any items to be archived. Report attached.

**Certificates Chair Cathy Renko** absent. **President Kathy Brousseau** read the report. Report attached.



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**Club Scrapbook Page Contest Melissa Cocchiara** reported that seven clubs participated in the contest. She will recruit three judges. Winners will be announced at the Saturday General Meeting. Report attached.

**Librarian Kristina Bird** gave her report. Report attached.

**Marie Simmons Scholarship Chair Merry Chiu** gave her report. She stated only two applications were submitted. She reviewed her activities. Report attached.

**Marie Simmons Scholarship Treasurer/Vice Chair Lorena Cutt** gave her report. Marie Simmons Scholarship Fund Opening Balance \$11436.35, Total Income \$10299.35, Total Expenses \$12086.35, Closing Balance: \$9649.35. Report attached.

**Marie Simmons Scholarship Fundraiser Diana Donovan-Campisi** absent. **Treasurer Susie Smith** read her report. The Calendar Raffle has raised \$1338.00. Sales are still going on. Final report to be given on Sunday. Report attached.

**Membership Pins Michele DelleBovi** reviewed the Membership Pins listing. Report attached.

**Midterm Executive Board Meeting Co-Chair Lorena Cutt and Co-Chair Lori Connolly** reviewed the statistics of the 2023 Midterm Board Meeting. There were 27 attendees representing 9 clubs. \$165 collected in donations on the registration form for the Eleanor Siegel Fund. Total Income \$1350 Total Expenses \$1670.71, Shortage \$320.61. They are still looking for a hotel for Midterm. Report attached.

**Newsletter Contest Merry Chiu** gave her report. Four clubs participated. Winners will be announced at the Saturday General Meeting. Report attached.

**Newsletter Editor Ericka D'Auria** gave her report. Articles are due April 20. Report attached.

**Nominating Chair Ruth Barone** gave her report. Resume forms and brief explanation of duties will be distributed at the Saturday General Meeting. She introduced her committee and thanked them. Report attached.

**Photographer Karyn Audycki** gave her report. Report attached.

**Procedure Manual Myriam Lavora** gave her report. Report attached.

**President Kathy Brousesau** called a break at 10:05 am.

**President Kathy Brousseau** recalled the meeting at 10:20 am.

**2024 State Meeting Co-Chairs Susie Smith and Janine Weber** gave their report. 97 Attendees. 30 vendors at Show & Sell. 9 Clubs represented. Report attached.



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**2025 State Meeting Co-Chair Tracy Schaner and Kristina Bird** stated “Shine bright like a diamond” is their theme. The dates are April 24-27, 2025. More information will be shared at the Saturday General Meeting. Report attached.

**Reflections Kathlene Lyman** gave her report. She updated the Memorial Book. The Memorial Page inserted in the Convention Booklet was correct unless anyone has any additions. Cards are circulating for Barbi and Nita. Report attached.

**Research Nadine Fitoussi** reviewed the results of the Survey for 2023-2024 on “Gender Identity and Sexual Identity”. Report attached.

**Twin Data Registry Doreen Greci** gave her report; attached.

**State Meeting Liaison** absent. No report submitted.

**State/National Liaison Diana Miller** absent. **President Kathy Brousseau** read the report. Report attached.

**Twin Photo Registry Sharon Witul** gave her report. She is now in possession of the Club Scrapbook pages. Discussion followed as to understanding the process of transferring the Club Scrapbook pages to the Twin Photo Registry. Tabled to new business. Report attached.

**Unity Project: Jane Martinec** gave her report. Attached.

**Website Susie Smith** gave her report. Passwords updated for the new year 2024-2025 Club Members: \*24MOTC Board Members NYSO24\$ Report attached.

**Old Business:**

**1. Electronic Voting Procedure** 2/3 vote required for approval at Saturday General Meeting.

**2. Updates in State Meeting Guidelines Myriam Lavora** gave the report from the ad hoc Committee.

A. The committee suggested the Nametags not include information on the attendees’ multiples. This year was a test year. Discussion followed.

B. The committee suggested eliminating comp room Used for the Room Raffle, unless the host club can negotiate. The Free Room Raffle can generate enough funds to cover the cost of the room. Discussion followed.

C. The committee suggested adding color coordination of tickets and tablecloth.

D. Show & Sell fee to be nonrefundable.

E. Raise the table fee for Show & Sell to \$30. Split the fee for Show and Sell fee 50 /50 between State and the Host Club.

F. Evaluation form to go on Google docs as well as paper.

A discussion began to transfer the cost of the President’s room to NYSOMOTC instead



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of the Host Club.

**“I, Linda Goldsworthy, a member of POM of CNY, at this NYSOMOTC Executive Board Meeting. Move to change Standing Rule 1 Meetings Letter B Fees to “The three (3) nights’ room for the President to be paid by NYSOMOTC.”** Seconded by **Michele Camilleri**. Discussion followed. The motion was rescinded by **Linda Goldsworthy**. Discussion about including more detail in the motion.

**“I, Linda Goldsworthy, a member of POM of CNY, at this NYSOMOTC Executive Board Meeting, move to recommend to the General membership to change Standing Rule 1 Meetings Letter B Fees to the 3-night room for the President is to be paid by NYSOMOTC, after the host club has completed negotiations for free rooms.”** Seconded by **Ericka D’Auria**. A discussion followed. It was agreed that a timeline be included in the motion. 17 opposed with 2 abstaining. Motion defeated.

**“I, Linda Goldsworthy, a member of POM of CNY, at this NYSOMOTC Executive Board Meeting, move to recommend to General membership to change Standing Rule 1 Letter B Fees to: “If, after negotiations by the host club with the hotel for 3 nights free, for the President’s Room are proven unsuccessful, NYSOMOTC will cover the cost of the President’s Room.”** Seconded by **Sharon Witul**. 24 in favor with 1 abstaining. Motion approved.

**Procedure Manual Chair Myriam Lavora** stated the State Meeting Guidelines will be updated with all the items discussed. If the motion is approved by the general membership, the changes will be added.

**2024 State Meeting Co-Chair Janine Weber** repaid the State Meeting Loan and turned over the State Meeting Assessment in the amount of \$97.

**3. Proposal to increase award for the Marie Simmonds Scholarship - MSS Chair Merry Chiu** reviewed the committee’s discussion on raising the amount of the scholarship awards. The award started at \$1000 and has for nine years been \$1500.00. The committee suggested increasing the awards to \$2000.00 in the 2024 – 2025 year. Discussion followed.

**“I, Michele Camilleri, a member of MOTC Queens, at this NYSOMOTC Executive Board Meeting, move we recommend changing MSS Guideline #9 Letter A to ‘There will be two awards of \$2000 each for children of multiple birth families who must meet the stated requirements.’”** Seconded by **Linda Goldsworthy**. All were in favor. Motion approved.

**4. Eleanor Siegel 50/50 fundraiser** tabled until Sunday Board Meeting.

**New Business:**

**1. Twin Data Registry** tabled until Sunday Board Meeting



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**2. Club Scrapbook Pages/Twin Photo Registry** tabled until Sunday Board Meeting.

Each **Past President** was called upon to give their well wishes.

**Announcements:**

- **2024 Co-Chairs Susie Smith and Janine Weber** made a few convention announcements.

**Reflections Chair Kathlene Lyman** said she was thankful to be together and do our business but let the fun begin!

The Friday 2024 Executive Board Meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm by **President Kathy Brousseau**.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Michele Camilleri – Recording Secretary**

**Ruth Barone – Minutes Approval**

**Myriam Lavora – Minutes Approval**