

## **Business and Professional Women of Tennessee, INC.**

Convention Meeting

Virtual Zoom Meeting, Tennessee

May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021

- Call to Order** President, Lee Ann Gaddis called the meeting to order at 7:02pm CST.
- Invocation/Pledge** There was not an invocation or pledge due to the virtual aspect of the meeting.
- Introductions** The Roll Call served as introduction with member names on the screen under their video.
- Roll Call** Secretary, Amber Farley, called credentials, and the chair declared a quorum.
- Motion No. 1  
Credentials  
Report** Jackson Area Representative, Beth Bates, moved that the credentials report as of May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:02pm be adopted as presented. The motion was seconded by East Region Director, Michelle White. The motion was adopted as presented.
- Motion No. 2  
Rules of Order** Treasurer, Carol Turpen moved that The Rules of Order for the Board of Directors meeting be adopted as distributed. The motion was seconded by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Martha Ervin. The motion was adopted as presented.
- Motion No. 3  
Agenda** Elizabethton Representative, Marilyn Boeker, moved that the Agenda be adopted as presented with the proviso that the President be permitted to make any changes necessary to conduct the business meeting, and seconded by Rockwood Representative, Gerry Wallick. The motion was adopted as presented.
- Motion No. 4  
Program Platform** Secretary, Amber Farley, moved that the program platform be adopted as presented. The motion was seconded by East Region Director, Michelle White. The motion was adopted as presented.
- Motion No. 5  
Legislative  
Platform** 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Martha Ervin, moved that the legislative platform be adopted as presented. The motion was seconded by Treasurer, Carol Turpen. The motion was adopted as presented.
- Recess** The Board of Directors Meeting will recess until June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 for the Bylaws. (7:15pm CST)

## **Business and Professional Women of Tennessee, INC.**

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June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021

- Call to Order** President, Lee Ann Gaddis called the meeting to order at 7:06pm CST June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021.
- Motion No. 1  
Credentials  
Report** Jackson Area Representative, Beth Bates, moved that the credentials report as of June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 at 7:06pm be adopted as presented. The motion was seconded by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Martha Ervin. The motion was adopted as presented.
- Motion No. 2  
Bylaw Change** Governance Chair, Charlotte Buchannan moved that Article X. Section 2. Bylaw be changed to Each region shall have a director who shall be elected at the annual state convention in odd numbered years. Regional directors shall be members of the state executive committee and the board of directors. A term of office shall be two (2) years, or until a successor is elected. A Regional director shall have served as area coordinator, district director, local organization president, or as a member of the executive committee. The motion was seconded by Secretary, Amber Farley. The motion was adopted as presented.
- Motion No. 3  
Bylaw Change** Governance Chair, Charlotte Buchannan moved that Article XI. Section 2. A term of office shall be two (2) years. No officer shall serve in the offices of president, first vice president and second vice president more than one term consecutively. The motion was seconded by Secretary, Amber Farley. The motion was adopted as presented.
- Motion No. 4  
Bylaw Change** Governance Chair, Charlotte Buchannan moved that Article XI. Section 3. Officers shall take office at the close of the annual convention in odd numbered years and shall serve until the close of the annual convention at the next odd numbered year or until their successors are duly elected. If an officer commits misconduct or grossly neglects the duties of her office and a motion to rescind the officer's election is adopted by the Executive Committee then the membership shall vote on the motion to rescind. A majority of all votes cast will create a recession. In this instance an electronic and/or mail vote is permitted. The vote shall be submitted no later than 2 weeks after the Executive Committee action. Votes shall be returned within two weeks of submission. The motion was seconded by Secretary, Amber Farley. The motion was adopted as presented.
- Motion No. 5  
Bylaw Change** Governance Chair, Charlotte Buchannan moved that Article XXI. Section 2. Meetings may be held in person or with the use of an Internet meeting service designated by the President. Such services shall include at a minimum a way to vote anonymously and a way to identify members who wish to speak. The motion was seconded by Secretary, Amber Farley. The motion was adopted as presented.
- Motion No. 6  
Bylaw Revision** Secretary, Amber Farley moved that a committee of three be appointed, one of whom should be the state parliamentarian, to revise the Bylaws and report to the 2022 Convention for consideration. Rockwood Representative, Gerry Wallick, seconded the motion. The motion was adopted as presented.
- Members Appointed:
1. Charlotte Buchannan – Governance Chair, Technical Advisor
  2. Lee Ann Gaddis – Parliamentarian
  3. Martha Ervin – President
  4. Gerry Wallick – Rockwood Member
  5. Beth Bates – Jackson Area Member
- Recess** The Board of Directors Meeting will recess until June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 for the Elections. (7:44pm CST)

## **Business and Professional Women of Tennessee, INC.**

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June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

- Call to Order** President, Lee Ann Gaddis called the meeting to order at 7:02pm CST June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021.
- Bylaws Report** The proposed bylaw changes motioned on June 10<sup>th</sup> were voted on and approved as presented.
1. Article X. Section 2. Passed with 100% (9 yes)
  2. Article XI. Section 2. Passed with 100% (9 yes)
  3. Article XI. Section 3. Passed with 100% (9 yes)
  4. Article XXI. Section 2. Passed with 100% (9 yes)
- Elections** Beth Bates and Virginia Bates served as the Election Committee and reviewed Elections Rules. Virginia Bates read the nominations report. Members were given link to vote in Election or could call Beth Bates to submit their vote.
- Recess** The Board of Directors Meeting will recess until June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 for results. (7:12pm CST)

**Business and Professional Women of Tennessee, INC.**

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June 4th, 2021

- Call to Order**            President, Lee Ann Gaddis called the meeting to order at 7:05pm CST June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- Polling Hours**            Polling Hours will be held from 8:00pm CST on June 3<sup>rd</sup> until 6:00pm CST on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- Election Results**        9 Ballots were cast  
                                  President – Martha Ervin  
                                  1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Amber Farley  
                                  2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Vacant  
                                  Secretary – Michelle White  
                                  Treasurer – Carol Turpen  
                                  East Region Director – Robin McKamey  
                                  West Region Director - Vacant
- Adjournment**            Having no further business, the 102<sup>nd</sup> Convention of the Business and Professional Women of Tennessee, Inc. adjourned at 7:15pm CST, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Respectfully submitted by Date: June 28, 2021

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Amber Farley, Recording Secretary

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Lee Ann Gaddis, President

***Minutes Approval Committee***

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Martha Ervin, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President

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Carol Turpen, Treasurer

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Beth Bates, Parliamentarian