

The meeting was called to order by President Tevyan Sorensen at 11:20 am.

The invocation was given by Priority Area SPM, Deb Froeming.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Youth of Today SPM, Cheryl Watson.

The United States of Today Creed was led by District 5 Director Anita Smoley.

Guests were introduced by President Tevyan: 2012-2013 MNWT President Nicky Anderson, 2014-2015 MNWT President Laura Gaylord, 2016-2017 MNWT President Jane Hanson, 2019-2020 MNWT President Cat Schuman, 2021-2022 MNWT President Anna Nichols, and 2022 - 2023 MNWT President Jenise Teske.

Orders of the Day were given by Parliamentarian Jeny Ohr & quorum was established.

Secretary, Liz Weigel [secretary@mnwt.org]

- Theme: Stick To It
- Staff report template will be emailed
- Please fill out emailed versus printed sheet.

Administrative Vice President, Andrea Schue [avp@mnwt.org]

- Theme: You are Solid Gold
- The District Directors are starting their year off with planning their 1st Trimester District Meetings. If you are interested in visiting a meeting in an official capacity, please try to connect with the DDs. It is also possible that they may contact you to be part of their enrichment sessions.
- District Directors:
 - **District 2:** Tami Borgen, Bloom & Grow (No report)
 - **District 3:** Contacts are Nicky Anderson (T1), Jo Jo Larson, and Cindy Sanders.
 - Tri 1 Meeting: June 29th, Staples @ 10am (Given by Andrea Schue)
 - **District 4:** Tracy Neyens (No report)
 - **District 5:** Anita Smoley, Everyday Heroes
 - Tri 1 Meeting: June 17th, Rice.
 - Looking forward to having all the chapters working together on a project.
 - **District 6:** Representatives are Connie Fink (T1), Kathy Hansen (T2), and Jessalyn Hegland (T3), Grow Together
 - Tri 1 Meeting: Tentatively June 27th, Monticello Pizza Ranch @ 6pm.
 - Looking forward to continuing to grow excitement in D6.
 - **District 7:** Laurie Lilli (No report)
 - **District 8:** Kenya Czerwinski, Coming Together, One Stitch at a Time
 - Tri 1 Meeting: June 22nd, Location TBD
 - Looking forward to possibilities in the district. Focusing on growth & how to support those efforts and come up with ideas on getting the district together for more socials & service events.
 - **District 9:** Allie Staley, Adventure is Out There
 - Tri 1 Meeting: Windom Library, BRAC Building. 5:30 pm Dinner, 6:30/7 pm Meeting
 - Excited to get more chapters involved on the district & state level.

Membership Vice President, Carla Hanson [mvp@mnwt.org] (Presented by Tevyan Sorensen)

- Theme: You Matter

Chapter Management Vice President, Shirley Viesselman [cmvp@mnwt.org]

- Theme: Success with Sparkle
- Goal: To help create sparkle and fun in chapters that may be struggling through zoom meetings, roundtables, chapter visits, President-State Delegate Retreat... and end the year with all chapters having 15 or more members.
- Two TLC Chapters: St James & Fridley
- We are working on the calendar, please review & provide feedback on dates related to your position.

Extensions Director, Kathy Hansen [extensions@mnwt.org]

- Theme: Stand Together & Shine

Programming Vice President, Michelle Kocak-Jones [pvp@mnwt.org]

- Theme: Shaking it Up
- SPM Bid from Sue Bay for Women's Wellness was heard.
- Goal: help promote programming areas with a focus on new ideas and effective reporting to include the 5 W's-who, what, when, where and why.
- Goal: report a million dollars in all areas combined next spring
- **SPMs**
 - **Community Connections SPM:** Sara Rocksted (cc@mnwt.org), Beautiful Things Come Together One Stitch at a Time

- Focus on bringing the excitement back to Community Connections and also promote True Friends and awards in that area.
- **Living & Learning SPM:** Sharon Scholl (ll@mnwt.org) Taking a Journey Down Life Street
- **Priority Area SPM:** Deb Froemming (priority-area@mnwt.org), Reaching out hand to hand
 - Goal: educate members about the REACH program & then become involved with schools around the state.
- **Women's Wellness SPM:** Sue Bay (ww@mnwt.org), Wiggle to Wellness
 - Introduce members on different ways to achieve physical activities
 - Goals: received 2 Lois M Christensen WWI award, fundraise \$500 toward award & 10,000 total monetary/in-kind reported to this Area
 - Highlighting March of Dimes "March for Babies"
- **Youth of Today SPM:** Cheryl Watson (yt@mnwt.org), Connecting with Children

Marketing Vice President, Michelle Cloutier [mkvp@mnwt.org] (**Marketing Committee Chair** [marketing@mnwt.org])

- Theme: Recipe for Success: Baking a Difference for All
- Some key things we will be working on in Tri 1:
 - Training on social media
 - Positive communication/professionalism
 - The difference between internal and external communications
 - Photo challenge once we are able to update the main pages photos.

Financial Vice President, Connie Fink [fvp@mnwt.org]

- Theme: Wheel of Treasure
- Look for fun ways to spin the wheel & win prizes!

Parliamentarian, Jeny Ohr [parli@mnwt.org]

- Theme: Tips with Bob & Me
- Challenge for DDs: Send in their district's bylaws and policies. I am creating a District Repository where all District Bylaws and Policies will be held. We want a place where DDs can go in case their districts bylaws/policies are lost.

Chairman of the Board, Amy Pumper [cob@mnwt.org]

- Theme: Keeping the Vision Alive
- I am looking for ONTO committee members. We will be launching an ONTO quilt fundraiser using ONTO shirts. More to come.
- My trading cards are available

Membership Management Committee Chair, Anna Nichols [mmc@mnwt.org] (**Given by Amy Pumper**)

- Theme: Collaborate & Connect with MMC

Executive Director, Tanya Rothstein [csc@mnwt.org]

- Theme: You are the Magic
- Email – Watch your Blacklist and remove any mnwt.org addresses. Make sure to keep your email clean so you don't miss any emails. Do Not change your email password.
- Everyone is in the process of being added as editor on your Facebook page. Make sure you can post, if not let me know. Profile pictures need to stay as MNWT logo.
- Google drive is NOT personal so don't do two-step verification.
- MNJOTS registration forms (\$145) available and nametags (\$15) will be ordered. Will be emailed out as a google form.
- Would appreciate it if you would email me if anything is needed. That way I will have a record of what needs to be done. Office hours are 4-8 M/W and 10-2 Fridays. Would prefer not to get text messages or phone calls on my cell phone.
- I will not be answering messages or emails during non-office days. Mail stuff to the PO Box 216, Albany, MN 56307 (not home address). The Messenger group is not an official request for stuff. Please email or call the office phone 320-845-2250.

Presidential Assistant, Mary Sobczak [pa@mnwt.org]

- Theme: Live & Learn
- See info packets for the following:
 - Order form for polos
 - MNWT Information/Secret Sis form, please fill out
 - Presidential Gift information
 - Quilt Square info-cross stitched logo 6" square w/ 1/2" border to make 7" sq. Due at Winter State
 - Scrap Book pages 12" x 12" double sided. Due April 1st, 2025
 - Uniform info
 - Roster

Committee Chairs:

- **Foundation Chair:** Laura Gaylord [foundation@mnwt.org]
- **Future Directions Committee Chair:** Cat Shuman [fdc@mnwt.org]

- FDC is one of the three state committees along with Membership Management and Marketing. Each meets once per trimester.
- Meeting dates are July 13, November 16 and March 2.
- The July 13 meeting will be held in the Staples/Motley area with the place to be determined also a zoom option.

President, Tevyan Sorensen [president@mnwt.org]

- Theme: We Go Together
- Welcome to Exec Council comments

The benediction was led by Community Connections SPM, Sara Rocksted.

The Minnesota Women of Today Creed was led by COB, Amy Pumper.

The 2024 Special Executive Council Meeting of the Minnesota Women of Today was adjourned at 12:52 pm by President Tevyan Sorensen.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Liz Weigel, Secretary MNWT**