

**South Central Region EGA**  
**2019 Executive Committee Conference Call**  
**October 19, 2019**

Conference Call

Call In Number: +1 (888) 585-9008

Conference Room Number: 978-900-812

**Region Director, Sandra Harwell** called the meeting to order at 9:04 am.

**Roll Call, In attendance:** Sandra Harwell, Valorie Russell, Debbie Osborne, Sherri Hagar, Mary Waldsmith, Michelle Renee, Pat Lufholm, Judy McGraw, Shawn Miller, Gretchen Reilly, Paula Millhollon, Jane Major, Diane Williams, Sandy Crow, Lulu Martin

**Secretary, Debbie Osborne** – Quorum was verified. The minutes were approved as presented.

## **Officer/Committee Chair Reports**

**Region Director – Sandra Harwell:** Report stands.

- Some of the member numbers are incorrect but will be corrected before the National Annual meeting.

**Assistant Region Director – Valorie Russell:**

- A Victorian pinkeep, designed by Connie Litfin of DNTG, has been selected for the SCR Mid-year meeting workshop.

**Treasurer – Sherri Hagar:** Report stands.

- Recap of the Financial Report: as of September 30, 2019, there is \$25,770.82 in the checking account and \$52,558.97 in CDs with a total cash value of \$78,329.79

**Education – Mary Waldsmith:** Report stands.

- Sandra Harwell asked if the SCR should revisit the requirements for GCCs and Shining Needle Society classes. Mary Waldsmith replied that there are no requirements for either of the classes.

**GCC's – Beth Newton:** Report stands.

**Bylaws – Michelle Renee:**

- Proposed policy changes will be discussed as new business.

**Communications – Sherri Seville:** Report stands.

- Sandra Harwell and Shawn Miller asked a question about the due dates. If *Stitches* is published in odd months, then why is the due for articles also in odd months?

**Heart and Hand Award – Denise Hall:** No report.

**Historian – Pat Lufholm:** Report stands.

**Membership – Linda Walker:** Report stands.

- Pat Lufholm asked why the membership numbers are different between Linda Walker's report and Sandra Harwell's report. Sandra Harwell replied that the difference is because different reporting dates were used.

**Outreach – Judy McGraw:**

- The previous chair did not provide any information to Judy so she has contacted the national outreach chair.

- Judy McGraw asked how do Valorie Russell and she let the treasurer know when an outreach project has been approved. Shawn Miller says that policy is that the approval email is all the treasurer need in order to for the chapter to receive payment.
- Judy McGraw asked what is considered the year as regards to policy. Sandra Harwell replied it is the calendar year.
- There are currently 2 approved projects for the Austin Stitchery Guild. Sandra Harwell replied that she will forward the approval email to Sherri Hagar.
- The Ft. Worth Chapter has sent an outreach approval request.

**Seminar Mentor – Shawn Miller:** Report stands.

**Special Events – Gretchen Reilly:** Report stands.

**Ways & Means – Paula Millhollon:** Report stands; submitted separately.

**Webmaster – Jane Major:** Report stands.

- Lulu Martin asked why her Gmail has the wrong name associated with the Gmail addresses. Jane Major replied that it was the way Lulu set it up but that Jane can fix it for her.

**Seminar 2019 – Rogers, AR – Donna Hagaman:** No report.

- Report will be submitted when all the financials have been completed.
- Lulu Martin asked why the financials are late. Sandra Harwell replied that the Bella Vista Chapter lost the emails for the OK baskets. They have since recovered them and have sent out the checks.

**Seminar 2020 – Diane Williams:** Report stands.

- Jane Major asked what to do if a person has not received the invoice for the annual seminar. Diane Williams replied that she should contact Connie.

**Seminar 2021 – Sandy Crow:** Report stands.

**Seminar 2022 – Lulu Martin:** Wrong report submitted.

- Logo has been prepared and is waiting on SCR approval.
- Work plan has been submitted.
- Cost projection is for 10 teachers and 160 attendees.

**Seminar 2023 – Linda Walker –** No report.

## Unfinished Business

**Teach the Children:**

- Sandra Harwell has appointed a new chair who will get back with her about plans for the program.

**Sewing and Quilting Expo Update:**

- Sherri Hagar said that the Expo was very successful. The Ft. Worth Chapter was provided with a free 10 x 10 booth where they displayed the needle works of their members. The chapter got at least 3 members from the Expo.

## New Business

**Seminar 2024:**

- Sandra Harwell ask everyone if the Region should host a seminar. The last time the Region did so was in 2009. Reasons for this are that no chapter has come forward with a request to host Seminar 2024 and that the region has spent down its money and this will be a way to increase the coffers.
- Shawn Miller moved that South Central Region host the seminar in 2024. Diane Williams seconded.

**Motion passed.**

### **Other New Business:**

- Approve EC and Region representative travel policy changes.
  - Shawn Miller stated that this was approved in June 2019. All that is needed is to reflect the changes in the policies.
  - Mary Waldsmith asked why these changes. Shawn Miller replied that we are being fiscally responsible to our membership.
  - Lulu Martin asked if your room would be 100% paid if you are both a committee chair and a region representative. Shawn Miller replied that you are only eligible for 50% of the contracted price of the room.
  - Mary Waldsmith asked if contract specifies 2 double beds or 1 king bed. Gretchen Reilly replied that it does not. Gretchen says to contact her if you need 2 double beds and she will try to make that happen.
- Valorie Russell stated that the SCR Bylaws specifically mention the old logo “stylized needle and thimble logo”. She asked if SCR needs to change its bylaws to reflect the new logo. Shawn Miller replied that chapters/regions don’t have to update existing use of the logo but any new items must use the new logo. SCR bylaws are good till 2026. There is no need to proactively change them unless we need to it for another reason.

## **Announcements**

- Reminder to check your SCR Gmail account at least once a week. Please try to use this account for all EGA communications.
- **Next Meetings:**
  - Mid-Year EC Meeting – Embassy Suites, Dallas, Friday, February 21, 2019; 6:00 pm (dinner will be served)
  - Mid-Year Meeting – Embassy Dallas, Saturday, February 23, 2019; 10:00 am Sandra Harwell

The meeting was adjourned by **Sandra Harwell** at 10:02 am.