

WOCNext 2023 Regional Breakfast Meeting 6/4/2023

Las Vegas, NV

Meeting called to order by Cynceré Neal, SERWOCN President. Other board members present-Cordelia Lucas-Sherrod (President-Elect), Deborah Nelson (Treasurer), Amy Armstrong (Secretary). Total meeting attendees-38, AL-7, FL-10, GA-5, NC-7, SC-4 and TN-5.

Amy Armstrong, Secretary, reported we have 737 members in our region, a 7.6% increase from 2022. Since January, 100 welcome emails have been sent to new members.

Cynceré Neal, President, discussed the National reorganization of regions and affiliates. This will allow for improved website help, networking and communication, financials, and leadership development. Regions will now be called chapters and affiliates will be called communities. Please reference the information sent in May from National President Dea Kent for additional details. The need for all to vote in our upcoming election was emphasized. We will need at least 73 votes to achieve 10% as per the bylaws for a valid election. The need for all to encourage nominations in the future for awards and scholarships to celebrate our members was also emphasized. Our conference is August 24-26, registration as soon as possible encouraged. Next year's conference will be in Chattanooga, TN.

Cordelia Lucas-Sherrod, President Elect is a liaison to National's public policy efforts and very happy to share work done for lymphedema patients care to be covered by Medicare. Communication and social media outlets (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn) reviewed. Several members said they do not receive the email blasts.

Deborah Nelson, Treasurer, reviewed our general financials and operations. She encouraged anyone who wants further details to contact her, we are very transparent with information related to our region

Cynceré engaged everyone in a fun game to get to know each other.

Discussion related to membership and money received from nationals for each region, be sure to choose Southeast when you initially sign up. If you are transferring from another region, you will need to call to have your region changed.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Armstrong MSN, RN, CWOCN, CNL