



**2021 WOMEN'S COUNCIL MIDYEAR BUSINESS MEETING (ELECTION) MINUTES  
MIDYEAR CONFERENCE  
Thursday May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 1:00pm to 2:15pm\*\*  
Virtual meeting on zoom (note: meeting was recorded)**

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*\*\* note, meeting was actually held from 12:45pm to 2:30pm to account for online voting instructions and continued learning curve of system*

**Disclaimer:** Minutes approved by First Vice President Chris Pelkola Lee and the leadership team on **5/13/21**, signatures are omitted for privacy purposes. Minutes are posted online immediately following approval

**Chair:** 2021 National President Pamela Banks (FL).

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m. by President Banks, after the test voting. A quorum was present with 196 delegates with total of 408 eligible votes to cast

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Cheri Daniels (WA)

**Inspiration** – Taunee English (WA)

**Consent Agenda**

Motion carried to approve the three items in the Consent Agenda which were approval of the agenda and meeting rules, the election rules, approval of Parliamentarian Carol Austin and approval of the May 2020 minutes.

**Nominating Committee Report**

Chairperson Sindy Ready presented the recommended candidates:

For 2022 National President Elect: Chris Pelkola Lee

For 2022 First Vice President: Kerri Hartnett

For 2022 Treasurer: Cynthia DeCoster

For 2022 National Liaisons: Isabelle Walker (MO), Christine Citrano (FL), and Sabrina Brown (CA)

Nominations were open for 2022 President Elect. Nominations were closed.

Chris Pelkola Lee was elected by acclamation.

Nominations were open for 2022 First Vice President. Nominations were closed. Kerri Hartnett was elected by acclamation.

Nominations were open for 2022 Treasurer.

Tammy Noll was recommended from the floor. Nominations were closed. 206 ballots were submitted of 229 eligible voters (90%).

- Tammy Noll was elected by 165 votes (54.30%) and Cynthia DeCoster had 139 votes (38.1%) with 304 votes tallied and 0 abstentions.
- Tammy Noll was elected Treasurer.

Nominations were open for 2022 National Liaison. Elisabeth Ortega (AZ), Rose La Pira (NJ), and Carolyn Altman (AZ) were nominated from the floor. Nominations were closed.

6 rounds of voting ensued as follows:

**Round 1:**

187 ballots submitted of 229 eligible voters — 82%

| <u>Candidate</u>       | <u>Votes</u> | <u>Percentage</u> |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Isabelle Walker (MO)   | 64           | 10.2%             |
| Rose La Pira (NJ)      | 56           | 8.9%              |
| Elisabeth Ortega (AZ)  | 47           | 7.5%              |
| Christine Citrano (FL) | 160          | 25.4%             |
| Sabrina Brown (CA)     | 210          | 33.4%             |
| Carolyn Altman (AZ)    | 92           | 14.6%             |

*Votes tallied: 629.0*

*Abstentions: 0*

**Round 2**

189 ballots submitted of 229 eligible voters — 83%

| <u>Candidate</u>       | <u>Votes</u> | <u>Percentage</u> |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Christine Citrano (FL) | 104          | 37.3%             |
| Sabrina Brown (CA)     | 175          | 62.7%             |

*Votes tallied: 279.0*

*Abstentions: 0*

**Sabrina Brown was elected as National Liaison**

### Round 3

183 ballots submitted of 229 eligible voters — 80%

| <b>Candidate</b>       | <b>Votes</b> | <b>Percentage</b> |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Isabelle Walker (MO)   | 61           | 14.1%             |
| Rose La Pira (NJ)      | 49           | 11.3%             |
| Elisabeth Ortega (AZ)  | 41           | 9.4%              |
| Christine Citrano (FL) | 200          | 46.1%             |
| Carolyn Altman (AZ)    | 83           | 19.1%             |

*Votes tallied: 434.0*

*Abstentions: 0*

### Round 4

175 ballots submitted of 229 eligible voters — 76%

| <b>Candidate</b>       | <b>Votes</b> | <b>Percentage</b> |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Christine Citrano (FL) | 196          | 76.3%             |
| Carolyn Altman (AZ)    | 61           | 23.7%             |

*Votes tallied: 257.0*

*Abstentions: 0*

**Christine Citrano was elected as National Liaison**

### Round 5

174 ballots submitted of 229 eligible voters — 76%

| <b>Candidate</b>      | <b>Votes</b> | <b>Percentage</b> |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Isabelle Walker (MO)  | 49           | 19.5%             |
| Rose La Pira (NJ)     | 58           | 23.1%             |
| Elisabeth Ortega (AZ) | 35           | 13.9%             |
| Carolyn Altman (AZ)   | 109          | 43.4%             |

*Votes tallied: 251.0*

*Abstentions: 3*

## Round 6

174 ballots submitted of 229 eligible voters — 76%

| <b>Candidate</b>    | <b>Votes</b> | <b>Percentage</b> |
|---------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Rose La Pira (NJ)   | 85           | 34.0%             |
| Carolyn Altman (AZ) | 165          | 66.0%             |

*Votes tallied: 250.0*

*Abstentions: 3*

### **Carolyn Altman was elected as National Liaison**

## Election of the 2021 (for 2023 office) Nominating Committee Members

- The Past National Presidents Advisory Committee elected one committee member (Gail Hartnett) and two alternates (Brenda Ghibaudi and Becky Hill, in that order).
- The Executive Committee member elected two committee members (Fiona Theseira and Katie Weaver) and two alternates (Jan Jedlinsky and Brenda Brewster, in that order).

## **New Business**

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.