CHAPTER BOARD MEETING MINUTES- April 8th, 2026

At 12:04 PM, the meeting was called to order on April 8th, 2026. Roll call was held, and a quorum was established. The following members were in attendance: Andrea Olden, Wendi McAleese, Barbara Strouse, Jonathan Kasper, Ashley Horton, Florence Greene, Huchani Dodd, Adam Raad, Sarah Boggs, Emily Bower and Katie Hudson.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: motion to approve by Adam Raad, seconded by Jonathan Kasper- motion carried

Chapter Business:

- Treasurer's Report:
  - Current balance $51,012.48
  - Meeting with Rakhshan tomorrow
- International Conference 2030 Bid
  - Site visit with Dyemond scheduled 4/20/26
  - Conference committee meeting was held this morning to discuss volunteers, photo props, ideas, etc.
  - Motion to budget $1,500 for swag for the exhibitor table to promote 2030 Tampa bid made by Adam Raad, seconded by Barbara Strouse – motion carried
  - Motion to allow chapter to request sponsorships for conference swag made by Andrea Oldenm, seconded by Adam Raad – motion carried

- International Conference 2026
  - Florence nominated for Educator of the Year
  - Ch. 26 nominated for Social Media of the Year again

- Region Spring Forum – Andrea to receive her award for Professional of the Year

- Chapter elections close 4/16/26
  - Approved ballot via email.
  - Swearing in meeting must be held before May 15th
  - Hybrid meeting 5/7/26

- YP Sponsor for Region 6 Forum
    - Motion to sponsor $250 for YP event at forum made by Andrea Olden, seconded by Sarah Boggs

- YP Sponsor for 2026 Conference
    - Motion to sponsor $500 Password Ony level for International YP event made by Andrea Olden, seconded by Jonathan Kasper
    - Andrea to send payment and Tampa Bay 2030 logo
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- Nominations and Elections Committee
    - Ballots are out

- Social & Events Committee
    - Hybrid meeting and happy hour at Bahama Breeze Kissimmee 5/7/26 6-8pm

- Membership Committee
    - No update

- Professional Development Committee
    - Victoria still out
    - Huchani Dodd volunteered to be on committee

- Website/Communications Committee
    - No update

- Young Professional Committee
    - No updates

- Education Committee
    - Planning for class in Fall in south Florida
    - 3 virtual classes scheduled
    - 164 registered for free webinar

- New/Old Business
    - None

Motion to adjourn at 12:57 pm made by Adam Raad, seconded by Andrea Olden- Motion carried.

Minutes drafted by:

Ashley Horton
IRWA Chapter 26 Secretary

Approved By:

Wendi McAleese
IRWA Chapter 26 President