



**Fort Bend Chapter
Meeting Minutes**

December 3, 2009

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Julia Mercer recited ABWA Mission Statement and introduced the executive board and committee chairpersons.

Introduction of members and guests.

Cheri Pemble (Innerlight Hypnosis) – Conducted a complimentary hypnotic session with the audience.

Presentation of Woman of the Year Candidates – Tara Cook, Judy Gulgun, and Julia Mercer

Louise Grasse gave her speech why she wants to be a candidate for National Office.

Louise Grasse gave her speech on why she would like the chapter's approval and to sponsor her to be a candidate for National Office.

Past District II VP, Cathy James presented a motion for the Fort Bend Chapter to support Louise Grasse for the chapter's approval of her candidacy for District II VP. The motion was seconded. Voting for the chapter's approval of Louise Grasse for National Office, District II VP was conducted by Past District II VP, Cathy James. There were 21 of the 23 active WIN members present at the meeting. Votes needed for approval was 14. Voting is as follows: 18 voted yes and 3 voted no. Louise Grasse exceeded the votes necessary for chapter's approval for her candidacy as District II VP. There were no abstentions or invalid votes.

Business Meeting - November Meeting Minutes reviewed and approved. Tara Cook gave education committee report. Tara informed the chapter that we have not received a check from Kroger. She reminded the group to please update Kroger card with new barcode and remember to use card when shopping at Kroger.

Loan Mansy presided over the White Elephant Gift Exchange.

Judy Gulgun was awarded the 2010 Woman of the Year.

Amanda McCalla recognized all December birthdays and anniversaries.

Gift Donation Acknowledgements – Bee Franks-Walker (FB Women's Shelter) and Ursula Chester (Be a Santa to a Senior).

Acknowledgement of Guest - Tara Cook

Benediction - Marilyn Houser-Nelson

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Submitted by: Secretary of the Fort Bend County Chapter, Ursula Chester