



BUSINESS &
PROFESSIONAL
WOMEN

JULY 2020

MEMBER NEWSLETTER



**The
Secret
of getting
Ahead
is getting
Started**

JULY BOARD MEETING:

JULY 8TH at 12:00PM-1:00pm at ZEAL

JULY MEMBER MEETING:

JULY 14TH at 11:45pm-1:00pm at RAMADA

SFBPW'S MISSION

To enhance the business and leadership potential
of all women through Networking, Professional,
and Personal Development

“You can’t make
decisions based on
fear and the
possibility of what
might happen”
-Michelle Obama

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2020-2021 BOARD

Sara Misterek

Rebecca Zabel

Sarah Busse Spencer

Michele Wiggs

Maureen Ohm

Sladjana McCord and Monica Rilling

Sandra Melstad

Sue Roust

President

Vice President

Recording Secretary

Treasurer

Corresponding Secretary

PDE Committee Chair

Membership Committee Co-Chairs

Policy Committee Chair

Immediate Past President

Parliamentarian

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello BPW members,

As we enter the second half of 2020, I know this has been a challenging year for all of us. For some of us, the most challenging year we've faced. Between social unrest, job uncertainty, and of course the pandemic, we've been forced to find new ways to interact with each other, and deal with how it's affected our businesses and incomes.

At the same time, I'm in awe at how we've risen to the challenge. Our teachers found new ways to reach their students, restaurants adapted to curbside pickup, and businesses everywhere have developed innovative methods to do business with their clients.

With that said, I'm looking forward to meeting again in person on the 14th. I know it doesn't need to be repeated, but I am asking all members to observe the parameters we've all become accustomed to. If you think you might be sick, with Covid-19 or otherwise please stay home; wear your mask to the meeting and when leaving; cough into your sleeve. Ramada is helping us with these measures, as we'll have seating spaced out to three people per table, hand sanitizers on each table, and the Ramada staff will be serving us our lunch at the buffet table in order to minimize contact.

If you feel comfortable, I hope you'll join our first in-person meeting in four months. I am also planning on broadcasting the meeting via Zoom as a webinar, for those who are not comfortable with group meetings yet.

In the same vein of minimizing contact, Rebecca Zabel was able to rearrange our meeting schedule and our speaker scheduled for November, Megan Dahle, has agreed to present to our meeting in July. We are looking at rescheduling the networking activity originally planned for a future date.

My goal for SFBPW this year is to be better connected to the membership, our peers, and the community. There's still an opportunity for someone to chair the PDE committee. I have also accepted Jennifer Folliard's resignation to chair the Policy committee, due to work commitments. We will miss her on the board, but look forward to seeing her at future events.

I invite each of you to join in and get involved with a committee this year. Most of them require only a half hour or so every few months. The results, contacts and friendships made are so rewarding.

I'm looking forward to serving you as your BPW president in the coming year.

Thanks ladies,

SFBPW President

Sara Misterek



EVERYONE CAN HELP RECRUIT AND GROW OUR CHAPTER!

We are always looking to invite new people to our meetings and recruit new members. Don't be afraid to invite a friend!

SIOUX FALLS BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN ROSTER

Peggy Anderson	
Shalista Anderson	Shalista Photography
Shaunna Batchellor	Nest Companies
Megan Brown	First Bank & Trust
Kelli Bullert	Farm Credit Services of America
Sarah Busse Spencer	SBS Research
Anita E C-Braunschmidt	Ramada Suites
Heather Christiansen	Healthy Connections
Deb Cimpl	First Dakota National Bank
Keyes T Clemmer	Prairie Cocoa
Stacie R Dykstra	Cain Ellsworth & Company, LLP
Casey L Eekhoff	Eekhoff Law, Prof. LLC
Kate Ericson	Mary Wubben Wellness
Kim Erkonen	Awe Financial LLC
Kimberly Fejfar	Mary Kay
Jennifer Folliard	SD Department of Health
Crystal Freund	Infinity Appraisal Services, LLC
Alexa Giebink	Great Bear Ski Valley
Mary Ann Giebink	Addiction Solutions 605
Tracy L Gran	New York Life DBA Bloom Financial Services
Lucille Green	
Cierra M Haffner	Fully Promoted
Robyn Hansen	Security National Bank of South Dakota
Tiffany Hansen	3 Degrees Sauna Studio
Pat Herman	USD Center for Disabilities
Karen Hieb	Department of the Treasury
<u>Gabrielle Hoing</u>	Kore Cares
Sharese Ihnen	The Select Team Hegg REALTORS, Inc
Dona Mae Johnson	BankWest Mortgage
<u>Melanie Keegan</u>	Thrivent Financial
Kylie R Keiser	Kinesio Care Center

Mary G Keller	Keller Law Office
Michelle Klobassa	TSP
Donna Kuper	Kuper Complete Accounting
Sherry Kurtz-Anderson	Lead to Inspire
Courtney J Lens	Numbers & Such Prof. LLC
Felan Link	Legacy Law Firm, P.C
Valerie Loudenback	Grand Prairie Foods
Sladjana McCord	Oien Family Chiropractic
Sandra Melstad	SLM Consulting LLC
<u>Sara Misterek</u>	Starmark Cabinetry
Marilyn Moser	LifeVantage
Laurie Nelson-Moe	Whole Life Balance Coaching
<u>Maureen Ohm</u>	MarketBeat
Ruth Parkhurst	Hegg Realtors
Dee Dee Raap	JourneyWorks Speaking & Training
Jennifer M Reecy	The First National Bank in Sioux Falls
Monica Rilling	Access Systems
<u>Jennifer Rothenbuehler</u>	Presentation Sisters
Sue Roust	
Cindy Schoppert-Pickett	Schoppert's Piano Gallery
April Shannon	CorTrust Bank
Cindy D Shuck	CHS
Lori Sisson	Farm Credit Services of America
<u>Deb Snelling</u>	CorTrust Bank
April Tellers	Raspberry Mills
Trisha Viss	Dacotah Bank
Angie Wahl	J.Wahl Home Inspection
Michele Wiggs	Make-A-Wish South Dakota
Rebecca Zabel	Prairie Family Business Association

COMMITTEES FOR THE SIOUX FALLS BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL WOMEN

Below are brief descriptions of our various committees. Committees and chairperson are established when the fiscal year begins in July.

Information on the type of help a committee needs will be found throughout the year in the chapter's monthly newsletter. But, if you see something you are interested in or would like more information on, contact the chairperson listed on the following page.

Executive

The elected officers, immediate past president, appointed parliamentarian and committee chairs of the organization shall constitute the executive committee.

Membership

The membership committee is responsible for recruiting new members, encouraging member participation and involvement in BPW activities, arranging locations and menus for member meetings, notifying all members of meetings, collecting meal payments, welcoming members and guests, coordinating public relations, including maintaining the organization's website, social networking outlets, and informing local media of BPW programs and events, and hosting social and networking opportunities for members.

Subcommittees

Hospitality

Assists with coordinating meals and accommodations for meetings and events, greets & registers members & guests at events

Holiday Party

Coordinates December membership meeting/holiday party including meal, speaker/activity and designated charity.

Social

Plans our monthly socials

Social Media

Keeps our social media and website content current.

Golf Outing

Plans our annual golf tournament. Includes coordinating with the facility, planning for food and prizes.

Professional Development

The professional development committee is responsible for scheduling speakers and programs for monthly membership meetings, planning and facilitating the Professional Development Program.

Subcommittees

Professional Development Program

Coordinates professional development speaker series for SF BPW fundraiser.

Meeting Agenda

Selects topics/speakers and networking activities for monthly membership meetings.

Scholarship

It shall be the duty of the Sioux Falls BPW Scholarship Fund Committee to determine the recipients of annual scholarship(s) for women pursuing post-secondary education. The committee will consider both financial need and academic achievement when awarding the scholarships

Finance/Audit

The finance committee shall review the proposed needs of BPW throughout the year and prepare an annual budget for the organization, have general supervision of all expenditures, and assist the organization in developing a sound financial policy. The committee shall audit the treasurer's records after the close of the fiscal year and prior to the August meeting, and shall report to the organization at the August regular meeting.

Nominating

A Nominating Committee shall consist of three members, one of whom shall be a member of the Board of Directors. The Chair and one member, who shall not be members of the Board, shall be elected at the Annual Meeting. Nominations for these offices shall be made by the current Nominating Committee. The other member shall be appointed by the Board of Directors at the first regular meeting following July 1.

Policy

The policy committee is responsible for polling members to find out what is important to them in their lives, and how BPW can support that.

2019-2020 COMMITTEE CHAIRS & MEMBERS

Committee volunteers are welcome and appreciated!
Contact committee chairs or Sara Misterek for more information

Executive

Sara Misterek, Rebecca Zabel, Sarah Busse Spencer, Michele Wiggs, Maureen Ohm, Sladjana McCord, Monica Rilling, Jennifer Folliard, Sue Roust

Membership

Co-Chairs— Sladjana McCord and Monica Rilling

Subcommittees **Hospitality**

Holiday Party

Chair—Maureen Ohm Members—

Social

Golf Outing

Chair—Sandra Melstad Members—

Professional Development

Chair—

Subcommittees

Professional Development Program

Chair—Rebecca Zabel Members: Melanie Keegan

Scholarship

Chair—Donna Kuper

Finance/Audit

Chair—Stacie Dykstra. Member: Robyn Hansen

**At our June meeting, we voted on our officers for the board in the 2020-2021 fiscal year.
Meet your elected officers below.**



Sara Misterek

President



Michele Wiggs

Treasurer



Rebecca Zabel

Vice President



Maureen Ohm

Corresponding Secretary

**Thank you to all members
who joined our meeting on
June 9th and voted!**



Sarah Busse Spencer

Recording Secretary

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No registration required for attending via Zoom. We do ask that anyone viewing mute their microphones and view the presentation like a webinar. The chat function will be open, and we will have someone moderating the questions from the chat to the group.

We are still looking for someone to chair our Professional Development Committee and Policy Committee, and will be looking for volunteers to participate in our committees in the coming weeks.



Sladjana McCord

*Co-Chair of
Membership Committee*



Monica Rilling

*Co-Chair of
Membership Committee*

While we don't vote on committee chair positions, we want to thank and acknowledge these women for volunteering their time in their respective positions in the 2020-2021 year.



Sue Roust

Parliamentarian



Sandra Melstad

*Immediate
Past President*

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**You want to be in control
of your business
and that's why you're
going to get control of your
numbers.**

JULY SPEAKER

**Our speaker for our July meeting is Megan Dahle.
Megan has a Masters of
Professional Accountancy, and is driven to help put business owners in
control of their finances.
She'll be speaking to us on the topic of demystifying numbers for
business owners and managers.**

I'M MEGAN DAHLE

**I'm going to put you back in the driver's
seat.**

I'M NOT SATISFIED JUST TELLING YOU ABOUT YOUR NUMBERS.

I WANT YOU TO HAVE A DEEP UNDERSTANDING AND
FEARLESSNESS OF YOUR BUSINESS FINANCES.

JULY 5 MINUTE SPEAKER

Our 5 minute speaker will be Michelle
Klobassa, a senior architect at TSP



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The challenge is
back on ladies!

For the
foreseeable
future, we will be
holding meetings
in person and via
Zoom in a webinar
style format.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS



**WE'RE HOLDING A MEMBERSHIP DRIVE,
AND ARE CHALLENGING EVERYONE TO
GET INVOLVED!**

This was started in
February, originally
scheduled to run
March, April, May.

Our March meeting
had 7 guests!
In revving it back
up, it's now going to
run through
October.

And all guests from
February to now still
count, and joining
via Zoom counts, so
start inviting!

- Bring a guest to a meeting and get your name put in a drawing for a FREE MEAL! One entry PER GUEST!
- If your guest becomes a member, you AND your guest get entered into another drawing where you are BOTH eligible to win \$50 gift cards!
- We will draw in October for the free meal, in November for the \$50 gift cards

Make sure and let Monica and Sladjana know about your guest, so they can keep track. If they don't know you brought a guest, they can't enter you! Especially via Zoom



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JULY BIRTHDAYS

Valerie Loudenbeck, *July 1*

Marilyn Moser, *July 1*

Robyn Hansen, *July 1*

Shalista Anderson, *July 4*

Megan Brown, *July 11*

Jennifer Rothenbuehler, *July 26*

Mary Keller, *July 27*

Felan Link, *July 28*

Lori Sisson, *July 30*



NEWSLETTER ITEMS WANTED

Submit your information to Sara Misterek by the second to last Friday of the month. We are looking for the following information:

- Promotions
- Good News
- Help Wanted
- Congrats!
- New Baby
- Marriages
- Company News
- Retirements
- Movers & Shakers
- Kudos



MEETING RSVP REMINDER

Just a reminder that RSVP's for our monthly meetings are due by noon on the Friday prior to the meeting. If you have changes to your RSVP after noon, please email Sladjana or Monica to make them aware, so they can let the hotel staff know.

Understandably, we are all busy, and sometimes last minute schedule changes are unavoidable, but the number of same-day registrations has been slowly climbing. This creates undue stress on the hotel staff, and will help in the amount of extra time spent if RSVP's can be made in a timely fashion.

Thanks for your cooperation on this!

CHAPTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY
2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 BOARD MEETING <i>Zeal and Zoom</i>	9	10	11
12	13	14 JULY MEETING <i>11:45AM at Ramada Speaker: Megan Dahle</i>	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 <u>R Wine Bar</u> <i>4:30PM via Zoom</i>	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

JULY MEMBER MEETING:
JULY BOARD MEETING:
JULY SOCIALS:

July 14th, 11:45PM at Ramada and via Zoom
July 8th 12:00PM at Zeal and via Zoom
July 23rd, 4:30PM at R Wine Bar

UPCOMING

In July, we're pairing with R Wine Bar, to host the July DTSF social.

All sanitization practices will be enforced, and there will be a cash bar and hors d'oeuvres available.

Our July meeting can be attended in person or viewed on Zoom. If you choose to join us by Zoom, please mute your microphone. We will have the chat feature enabled, and will have a monitor to read questions to the speaker in real time.



JULY MEMBER PROFILE

NAME:

Michele Wiggs

HOW LONG WITH BPW?

2016

COMPANY?

**Make-A-Wish
Foundation of South**



**How long have you
worked there?**

Almost 6 years

What is your title and what are your duties?

Finance Manager

My job is to track all the revenue and expense for the organization. Budgeting, tax form preparation, payroll, investments and compiling the data for our Board to make the most informed decisions for our chapter of Make-A-Wish. Essentially tracking all the ins and outs of the funds for Make-A-Wish South Dakota.

**How were you
introduced to BPW?**

My workmate, Kerry Pollema invited me about a year after I started at Make-A-Wish. I attended as a guest and then joined a few months later so I could connect with other professional women.



JULY MEMBER PROFILE



List accomplishments you are especially proud of (work or personal)

Work-having 6 consecutive audits with no significant findings or notes that would cause issues with our donors. I value the fact that all the funds we receive as a non-profit is someone's hard earned money and acknowledge that there are many places they could choose to spend or donate and we greatly appreciate their gifts.

What are your personal interests?

I love travelling and adventures of all kinds. I am a total animal lover, dogs and horses especially. I am always game for anything outdoors!

Personal-raising great kids who are all now functioning adults and being married for 35 years to my hubby Mark. I also am proud of the organizations I am lucky enough to be a volunteer for: Make-A-Wish (of course!), LSS Mentoring, Meals on Wheels, my church and the Banquet.



JULY MEMBER PROFILE

What is your favorite memory, committee, or area of interest in BPW?

I have enjoyed all the committees I have served on and think that is how I have made the close connections with some of my fellow members. Our mastermind groups have been a great way to share with a small group. I particularly enjoyed the 100th anniversary and getting to know some of the history from Sue and others. The golf event is always my favorite of the year!!

What do you hope to gain from BPW?

I have made some wonderful professional and personal friendships in my time as a member and I hope to continue that trend. I also love the learning opportunities that we have available.

Anything else you care to share?

Thank you all for the opportunity to serve on the Board as Treasurer. I don't take the responsibility lightly. I so look forward to getting to reconnect with this group of talented and supportive women when we are able to have in-person meetings again!



YOU ARE INVITED!

NEXT MEETING

DATE

Tuesday, July 14th

LOCATION

Ramada Conference Room

SCHEDULE

11:45AM Lunch

12:00PM Meeting starts

COST

\$15 for lunch

First time guests always eat free!

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THE SIOUX FALLS BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN
INVITE YOU TO CHECK OUT ONE OF OUR MEETINGS

In order for the staff to estimate food quantities, we ask each guest to pre-register.

Simply visit www.sioxfallsbpw.com, click on the Event Calendar, and select the next meeting, or email [Sladjana McCord](#) or [Monica Rilling](#)



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