# Women's State Legislative Council of Utah General Session Meeting Minutes Gold Room - Utah State Capitol Wednesday, September 24, 2014

### Call to Order/Welcome

President Kari Malkovich called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon and welcomed those members and guests in attendance. She acknowledged attendance of Past Presidents Suzanne Merrill, Marianne Stoddard, Suzanne Larsen and Kitty Kaplan.

**Inspirational Thought** - Shannon Jacobs

**Pledge** - Judy Keller

Minutes - None

## **Treasurer's Report**

Shannon Jacobs reported a checking account balance on May 31, 2014 of \$3,143.83. Income was received in the amount of \$20.00 and expenses paid in the sum of \$94.00, leaving a checking account balance of \$3,069.83 as of September 17, 2014.

The Zions Gold Money Market had a balance as of May 31, 2014 of \$13,940.84. Interest income payments were received for June, July and August, 2014 totaling \$4.17, giving a balance of \$13,945.01 as of September 17, 2014.

### **Membership Report**

President-Elect Shauna Scott-Bellaccomo reported that as of September 24, 2014, there is a total membership in the WSLC of 92 members. She noted that there have been 16 new members join during this biennium.

Sessions were under the direction of the State Issues Committee, Kari Malkovich, President, and Economic Development, Education and Health Services

**Representative Greg Hughes, District 51,** was introduced by President Malkovich and made remarks relating to his experiences serving in the Utah House of Representatives, and working on bipartisan issues in the past legislative session. Representative Hughes answered questions posed by members.

Representative Brian King, District 28, was introduced by President Malkovich. Rep. King recognized that he was well aware of the WSLC and the value of the organization. He acknowledged his experience in the Utah House of Representatives and particularly working with Rep. Hughes. A brief question and answer segment followed.

<u>Utah Governor Gary Herbert</u> was introduced by President Malkovich. Governor Herbert expressed his appreciation to the members of the Women's State Legislative Council of Utah for their interest and participation in the legislative process. He commended members for their efforts to study the issues and becoming informed citizens.

Governor Herbert spoke briefly about State issues his administration is focusing on. In particular, the Governor gave highlights of this Healthy Utah Insurance Plan, and explained his efforts to get approval of its provisions from President Obama in order to present it for consideration at the next Utah Legislative Session.

Governor Herbert responded to members' questions about the Healthy Utah plan and other issues.

President Malkovich presented to Governor Herbert a copy of the *Resolution in Favor of Healthy Utah* prepared by the WSLC Health & Human Services Legislative Study Committee which was passed by WSLC members at the March 12, 2014 General Session.

**New Business** There was no new business to transact.

### Announcements

President Malkovich announced that a group photo with Governor Herbert and Representatives Hughes and King would be taken following adjournment. The photos will be posted on the WSLC Facebook page.

The next WSLC meeting is on Wednesday, October 22, 2014 in the Copper Room at the Senate Office Building.

The Holiday Luncheon is on Wednesday, December 3, 2015 at the Alta Club.

**Adjourn.** The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Shannon Huff Jacobs, Acting Recording Secretary