

***General Meeting***

**February 8, 2022**

**Social at 6:00pm and Meeting at 6:45pm**

**Georgia Sports Hall of Fame**

**Attendees:** 45 total attendees & emails sent to 33 members who were not present. Active members who contacted the Recording Secretary prior to the meeting were eligible for virtual voting and ballots were collected via email prior to the meeting.

1. Call to Order and Welcome at 6:45pm *Sydney Solomon*
2. Thank you to Social Sponsor*- Sparks Yoga, Christ Conn, Owner*
	1. Christa announced that she is offering a Junior League Member Special- 30 days for $30. Katrina will send out a member sign-up, which will be passed along to Christa.

1. Introduction of Speaker *Sydney Solomon*
	1. Charise Stephens- Introduction to UCreate Macon and WeBikeGA.
		1. She is also the Executive Director of the Office of Small Business Affairs for Mayor Miller, but UCreate Macon is a passion project for her and feed her soul! UCreate Macon is a makerspace without walls and resource center for students offering award winning programming.
		2. One of their programs is WeBikeGA, which offers a youth-based adventure movement to have mountain and road bike cycling trips for underserved youth through a collective. Her aim is to get more kids on bikes and increase diversity and youth participation in cycling in Middle Georgia. She is LCI (Lead Cycling Instructor) certified and is the first black LCI in Middle GA. LCIs are ambassadors for better biking through education. Their team is proud to be a Major Taylor Middle GA chapter, Trips for Kids Middle GA chapter, Middle Georgia Composite, We Bike GA chapter and soon to be Free Bikes for Kids Middle GA chapter.
		3. They started in Pleasant Hill working with kids from Westside High School, but quickly outgrew this space and now work out of a 5k sq ft clubhouse with over 7 counties in the Middle GA region.
		4. Everyone is invited to join them for a Black History Month Celebration on Saturday, February 19th at 9am.
		5. Discussed successes of participants, including awards.
		6. How you can help:
			1. Donate new or gently used bikes
			2. Sponsor a kid for Mountain Bike Season- $500 per child is the cost
			3. Sponsor any of their award-winning programs through corporate gifts
			4. Become a volunteer bike coach
		7. Contact info:
			1. UCREATEMACON@gmail.com or 478-747-7920
			2. Like on Facebook and YouTube
2. Slate Vote *Aimee Carter*
	1. Katrina confirmed that quorum was met. Ballots were distributed to active members. The slate passed. She will send out email notification for the Nominating committee results.



1. Provisional Spotlight *Tiffany Hicks*
	1. **Anna Spinks**- Digital Marketing Director at FPD
		1. Macon Native
		2. Joined JLM to find likeminded women and to gain a sense of place and give back to the community
		3. Loves Digital/Social Marketing, taking pictures and creating videos
	2. **Heather King**- District 6 Field Rep at Georgia Farm Bureau
		1. Joined JLM to get out of her comfort zone and gain relationships with women who care about their community
		2. Works in event logistics and retreat/conference planning
2. Community Partner & CIPs *Sydney Solomon for* *Eryn Deiler*
	1. Eryn was called into OR. We have a book tasting CIP on 3/10- featuring books on Womens and Black History Month. A video was played featuring our long-term partnership. There will also be a First Friday event and another Backpack Buddies CIP posted. These will be live in DC for sign-up in the next two days.

1. Road Race *Heather Hare*
	* 1. Need more people registered. Please share on social media. Through 2/14 HEART22 is a $5 off discount code. Also have donate and volunteer options on the registration page.
		2. SETC options- 1 or 2 Race Bibs- Link will be sent out to sign up.
2. Spring Fundraiser *Renee Rainey*
	1. Thank you to our Sponsor, Ashley’s Business Solutions (and member Chelsea Dozier for securing this sponsorship), we will have a fun Spring event at Idle Hour by the pool at Idle Hour Country Club on Friday, April 22nd from 6:30-8:30p. We will have a deconstructed low-country boil, as well as grilled chicken and salad, for the entrée. We also plan to have a high-end Silent Auction (contact Chelsey Hale if you have an item or a contact for an item). We also want to have some items for males in attendance, such as a Big Green Egg, etc.
3. Member Announcements *General*
	1. Ansley Booker- announced the Woman of Achievement Luncheon for Career Women’s Network will be held on March 1st at the Children’s Methodist Home and will celebrate our very own, Katrina Spooner. She asked that members contact her if they are interested in attending; tickets are $30.
4. Adjourned at 7:40p *Sydney Solomon*

**Important Dates:**

**2/11 - Sustainer Luncheon at Idle Hour**

**3/5- JLM Road Race (Note, we cancelled Rock and Rides for this league year)**

**3/8- GMM**

**4/12- Virtual Meeting completion deadline**

**4/22- Spring Event & Silent Auction at Idle Hour (tickets are $30 each or $50 for two- Friends and Family welcome)**

**5/10- May Celebration GMM**