

MPLA Executive Board Meeting July 23, 2008, 2:00 pm CDT Telephone Meeting

Members present: J. Beno, R. Banks, D. Chaney, B. Dance, A. Epperson, B. Hartley, W. Hanway, D. Horan, M. K. Katzer, J. Kinikin, C. Lamb, E. Landau, D. McCarthy, S. Moyer, J. Mastalir, S. Osenga, B. Ray, L. Schurdevin, E. Wright, J. Zelenski. Members absent: P. Butcher, S. Condit, R. Degler, P. Henley, A. L. Peterson, M. A. Thompson.

President Banks called the meeting to order.

Two items were added to the agenda prior to approval.

Minutes of the 29 April 2008 Board Meeting were accepted as reported. Please notify us of any items that come up later as regards these minutes.

President – Rob Banks

Additional information on Utah joint conference: \$9034.34 should be our proceeds – budgeted 10K, so under that estimate, but this is more than some of us had projected. More details still filtering in, but that is where we stand now. Rob will forward final numbers to Wayne.

Composition of Nominating Committee Makeup of committee comments from JaNae: Chair + state reps configuration does not work well, b/c state reps are some of those we want to nominate. Change to include people other than reps, or at least reps that are not interested in being nominated. Judy thinks there might have been more nominations this year than past year, b/c reps were spreading the word. Motion JaNae: nominating committee be made up of individuals from all member states, including but not limited to the state representatives. Seconded by Dorothy. Carried unanimously.

MPLA presence on Second Life: D. Alexander is interested in learning what MPLA might want to do in Second Life. Some would rather see us do a YouTube video that we can share with students when we visit library schools. What could Second Life have to do with our goals, missions, etc? We also have no presence on Wikipedia. Doesn't preclude Second Life but would be helpful. Communications committee would be a logical group for putting an entry in Wikipedia together. Membership comtee might also want to contribute. Rob will pass to Mary Ann, would Basha contribute too? We apparently have an entry, but there's nothing there.

Vice-President – Eileen Wright

Update on 2009 conference: Rob's been doing a lot. Meeting this Friday to talk theme, budget, authors, etc. Will send info to MPLA soap box (blog) to keep people updated. Dates are only solid thing at this point. March 31 - April 3 2009.

Conference manual update: conf. planning manual out of date, incorrect, and needs to be updated. In our talk space (pw protected) we'll have a place to go over it a section at a time – want to have this done by Oct meeting. Need email address to Roy to get the reps into this talk

space. He has already asked via email for their info, this is a reiteration of that request. We'll meet every week to work through one section a week.

Past-President – Wayne Hanway

The Administration Committee Financial Report recommends a couple of modest expenditures, not included in earlier budget. Add \$300 to budget for equipment and supplies for Executive Secretary: Decent sized LCD monitor, and books to support financial management. Approved by Administration committee, Wayne requested the board's approval. Basha seconded. Carried unanimously.

Executive Secretary - Judy Zelenski

Attempts to clarify our legal status have been going on since 1987 – Judy inquired then as CO state rep – No followup. Costs \$50 to complete CO form online (\$150 in person). To incorporate in Colorado, the Executive Board needs to direct the president “to cause the document to be delivered for filing.” The Board must name a person as “registered agent” to receive communications – basically a mailing address. Wayne moved, Susan Moyer seconded. Annie move that the Executive Secretary, at present Judy Zelenski, be the registered agent. Betty seconded. Carried unanimously.

All: Thanks to Judy for all her hard work in getting this information together.

Newsletter Editor - Judy Zelenski

Current issue is now online, will arrive in print soon. Next issue will feature Roy and the portal, our online initiatives. Postal charges going up (intelligent barcoding) – the communications committee is actively discussing our options.

Bylaws and Procedures - Betty Dance

Additional item for agenda: report same as sent, but remind all that MOP has helpful info for new members. Page 2.1 – 2.3 = info about reimbursement for costs of attending meetings. Section 3: Recording Secretary is to post minutes no more than 10 days after a meeting. Section 5 devoted to state reps, lots of good information, sample announcements and reminders. Section 6 covers committees.

Change in Board Choice Award wording in MOP, need Admin to approve and then bring to October board meeting. Wayne move that proposed changes to MOP be approved given minor changes. Eileen second. Carried unanimously.

Professional Development – Connie Lamb

Revisions have been made to the page devoted to grants, preconference grants, now it's much easier to navigate. Some MPLA members have learned that Grants 101, an online opportunity to

learn more about writing grants, lacks professionalism. Once we have a discussion area up and running we can talk more about this situation in that venue.

Arizona – Shirley Condit

Painting the table drapes – first one looked good to Michele Seikel. Shirley is increasing the orange, we are proceeding, and it's a good fix.

Final Announcements

Judy: Roll call feature now activated.

Next Board Meeting Date – October 11, 2008 Denver, CO– Rob Banks 9 a.m. start, done by 3 pm. Administration committee meets night before – dinner – about 6 or 6:30 pm.

Adjournment 2:15

Respectfully submitted,

Annie Epperson
28 July 2008