

**MMTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING APPROVED MINUTES**

**Hyatt Regency, Dearborn MI**

**May 8, 2009, 9:00a.m.**

1. **Call to Order** - Meeting called to order at 9:12 am by President Ferrari
2. **Roll Call** - Present: President Ferrari, President Elect Thelen, Vice President Dillon, Treasurer McKay, Secretary Steggerda. Directors: Rhein-O'Neill, Kornexl, Past President McGee, Associate Liaison DeRey, Conference Coordinator Tim Arends, and MMTA member Pam Beck. Absent: Horning (Arrived later) Robinson (Arrived later)Klinger (Arrived later) Parliamentarian Tebeau.

Klinger arrived at 9:15am.

3. **Approval of Agenda - Motion made** by Rhein-O'Neill, **Support** by Thelen. **Motion carried** to approve the agenda as presented.
4. **Approval of March 27, 2009 Minutes – Motion** by Dillon, **Support** by Rhein-O'Neill. **Motion carried** to approve the minutes as amended.
5. **Treasurer's Report** – McKay – Financials for March 2009 were presented and reviewed. No bills were presented.

**Motion made** by Steggerda, **Support** by Rhein-O'Neill. **Roll call vote was taken and Motion Carried** to approve the financial reports as presented.

**6. Committee Reports**

- A. **Education** – Kornexl – The MMTI was a great success this year. The first year class size was 55, the largest class ever. The estimated profit is \$10,000. Kornexl stated that the Third year class will be asked to pick the theme for the next year's MMTI. Kornexl thanked Klinger for her great job in doing the Pictorial Directory this year. **Motion made** by Kornexl, **Support** by Thelen. **Motion Carried** to approve the additional scholarships as presented.

**Motion made** by Kornexl, **Support** by Steggerda. **Motion Carried** to approve the new scholarship application form that was prepared by Klinger. Those who received scholarships were:Dawn Hoder – City of Pinconning, Elizabeth Flynn-Village of Stockbridge, Lori Gardner-City of Grant, Kathleen Horning-Hartland Township, Rande Listerman-Village of Dryden, Sandra Pulk-Waterford Charter Township, and Lori Ann Taylor-Lapeer Township. Also Jeff Garrity was given the complimentary registration for his prize at MTA.

- B. **Legislative** – Rhein-O'Neill –Items the Legislative Committee are watching are the executive order to cut revenue sharing, the Red Flag Rules have been extended to August 1, 2009, and the property tax assessment wording that is being proposed for a vote. They will also be watching the Constitutional Convention closely.
- C. **Newsletter** - Klinger – The newsletter just went out. She reported 396 were sent via e-mail and 490 were mailed. Klinger would like to send a letter out to those getting them by mail to sign up for the newsletter via e-mail.
- D. **Membership** – Horning – Will be addressed when Matt arrives.
- E. **One Day Seminars** – McGee–There are none planned at this point in time.
- F. **MMTA in the UP** – McGee– The date of the UP seminar is set for June 5, 2009 at the Ramada in Marquette. Registration forms and agendas should be sent out today.

**G. 2009 Fall Conference** – Thelen – The dates of the conference are October 19 – October 21, 2009. The location is the Hyatt in Dearborn. Planning is going well. The past-presidents reception will be held in the Rotunda at the Hyatt with a wine and cheese type reception, fun night will be held at the Henry Ford Museum with a dinner.

A discussion was held regarding sponsorships during the Fall Conference. Our associate liaisons will contact the associate members to get their feedback. They will report their findings to Thelen.

Arends reviewed several options for future budgets for the annual fall conference. He also suggested the Prime Award be done electronically in the future.

Arends stated in the past the profits from the MMTI were to go into the general overall budget. Only the sale of merchandise is to go into the scholarship fund. We will check the past minutes and check what the policy actually is and report at the next board meeting.

Thelen recommended we look at associate dues and how they are structured.

Thelen asked for suggestions for a location for the Board Dinner at fall conference.

Horning arrived at 9.45am. Robinson arrived at 9:54am.

Returned to item 7d. – Membership committee report – Horning stated almost all the sweatshirts were sold at MMTI. He also offered MMTA lapel pins. He reported membership recruitment is ongoing. Steggerda said she would get the MTA new treasurer's list for Horning.

**H. 2010 Winter Workshop** – McKay – Dates will be January 14-15, 2010 at the Sheraton in Lansing. The hotel has the same owner but has changed its name to Lansing Lexington. The hotel at this point is being renovated.

**I. Professional Development-McKay** – She asked that this be put on the July 24<sup>th</sup> agenda for direction from the Board.

**J. Associate Member Committee** – Robinson, DeRey – Nothing at this point in time.

**MOTION made** by Dillon, **Support** by McGee. **Motion carried** to accept committee reports as presented.

## **7. Unfinished Business**

**A. MMTI Website Security/MMTI Pictorial Directory** – Klinger stated Bruce is checking into the security and will be reporting back soon. She will keep us informed as she gets the information. The Board suggested a membership only area. It was suggested that all members submit a picture for our website when they register.

**B. MMTA Banking Relationship/Credit Cards Update** - McKay reported nothing is done as of this point. She will do an RFP in the near future.

**C. MMTA Dues for 2010 Correspondence** – The Board suggested the **increase in 2010 dues from \$35 to \$50** to be put in the next newsletter. Ferrari will update the letter head.

