



MPAAA

MPAAA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES January 11, 2008

CALL TO ORDER:

Karen Eisinger called the Planning Committee meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. on January 11, 2008.
Carolyn Claerhout called the Executive Board meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

The following Executive Board Members were present/absent:

OFFICERS:

	Present	Absent
Carolyn Claerhout, President	X	
Debi Hartman, Past President	X	
Karen Eisinger, President-elect	X	
Rob Dickinson, Membership	X	
Jean Nichols, Treasurer	X	
Jan Dodge, Secretary	X	

COMMITTEES:

	Present	Absent
Jackie Laymac, Educational Issues (proxy w/Petitto)	X	
Mary Ellen Welcher, UP Representative (proxy w/Eisinger)	X	
Sally Washington, ISD Representative	X	
Rebecca Rocho, Legislative Liaison		X
Vicki Bott, Member-at-Large	X	
Mary Beth Stein, Member-at-Large	X	
Julie Weiler, Newslite Editor (proxy w/Washington)	X	
Victoria Burke, Historian	X	
John Petitto, Sergeant-at-Arms	X	
Janell Craig, Communications/Technology	X	
Jollen Wonsey, Michigan Dept. of Education	X	
Trina Anderson, CEPI	X	

PLANNING COMMITTEE:

	Present	Absent
Stephanie Abata		X
Julie Beishlag		X
Heidie Ciesielski	X	

	Present	Absent
Cathy Flynn		X
Barbette Lane		X
Annie Monaweck	X	
Michael Rivenburgh		X
Nancy Raymond		X
Lynn Stephan		X

REPORTS

Minutes of Prior Meeting:

Motion to approve the minutes of December 14, 2007, made by Dickinson, seconded by Eisinger.
Motion passed.

Financial Report:

Motion to approve the financial report presented by Jean Nichols made by Hartman, seconded by Petitto. Motion passed.

OFFICERS' REPORTS:

President's Report:

Carolyn Claerhout presented the holiday correspondence and a thank you card from Jean Nichols.

Carolyn Claerhout reported that a contract for the 2009-2011 spring conferences was supposed to arrive from the Grand Traverse Resort in October 2007, but she has yet to receive it in spite of repeated email requests. John Petitto is also having the same difficulty—no one will return his phone calls. He will try to meet with a representative at the GTR during an upcoming visit to Traverse City, and will report back at the February meeting.

President-Elect's Report:

Karen Eisinger has received a quote from the Sheraton for the fall 2009 conference, but they still are unable to accommodate MPAAA during its traditional week in September due to a longstanding commitment to another organization. She is also working with the Lansing Chamber of Commerce conference bureau for other possibilities in the Lansing area.

Sally Washington attended a New Year's Eve party at the Holiday Inn South and reported that her guestroom was dirty and was not outfitted with new bedspreads and carpet.

There was a discussion about the advantages and disadvantages of other facilities in the Lansing area. Currently Bay City is held through fall 2010, if a more central site is not found in the state.

Motion made by Hartman, seconded by Dickinson, to establish registration fees for the spring 2008 conference at \$265 for members and \$325 for non-members. Motion passed. Registration fees include the cost of SB-CEUs.

Motion by Petitto, seconded by Eisinger, to approve an allocation of \$200 for euchre tournament prizes. Motion passed.

Past President's Report:

Debi Hartman reported that the Nominating Committee comprised of four members met to establish a slate of candidates. She has reviewed the bylaws, which state that the Nominating Committee must consist of five dues-paying members. Bruce Mayle volunteered to serve on the committee. Motion by Stein, seconded by Nichols, to add Bruce Mayle to the Nominating Committee. Motion passed.

The candidate slate is as follows:

President-Elect: Vicki Bott

Treasurer: Jean Nichols

Secretary: Jan Dodge and Mary DeSantis

There was a lengthy discussion about the need for Planning Committee and Executive Board members to consider running for elected officer positions, and the possible roles Planning Committee members could play in assisting the President-Elect with conference planning.

Debi Hartman noted two pieces of legislation introduced late last fall. The first would require school districts to honor a parent or legal guardian's request to place two or more siblings of multiple births in the same or different classrooms.

The second piece of proposed legislation stated that if a district in which a non-public school is located refuses to provide shared-time instruction and will not sign a cooperative agreement, instruction could be provided by a contiguous district without a cooperative agreement.

Membership Chair's Report:

Communication methods and mailing dates for the spring conference packets were discussed. John Petitto will write a letter to post by February 1st on MPAAA's website, which will also include an overview agenda and registration forms. Rob Dickinson will send out an email to all members directing them to the website, if they need additional lead-time to process conference registrations in their districts.

NEW BUSINESS:

February 8 Meeting Location:

After discussion, it was determined that the next meeting will remain as originally scheduled on February 8th. MASB is no longer available so Carolyn Claerhout will confirm a meeting room with the Sheraton.

John Petitto suggested scheduling a three or four-hour meeting in the future to discuss hot topics not related to conference planning. People will look to this organization for positions, suggestions, recommendations, and leadership on emerging issues.

Treasurer's Report:

Jean Nichols thanked everyone for the cards she received following the recent death of her mother-in-law.

Jean Nichols is checking into a credit card for MPAAA, which could be used for air miles or cash back. Because this organization does not maintain a high fund equity balance, she is checking with a local

bank to see if it would increase the credit limit to \$80,000 twice a year to pay for conferences, with no annual fee.

Jean Nichols then reviewed and explained the actual-to-budget report.

Secretary's Report: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Spring Conference Site 2009 and Beyond: Reported in President's Report

Fall Conference Site 2009 and Beyond: Reported in President-Elect's Report

MSBO Certification:

Vicki Bott continues to work on MSBO certification. She is working on the auditor track first, and then will move to the specialist track. Victoria Burke is reviewing the auditor certification curriculum.

Debi Hartman noted that three board members (Karen Eisinger, Vicki Bott, and Jan Dodge) presented at the recent Data Quality Symposium, which was well attended. Trina Anderson and Meg Ropp expressed their appreciation for the representation from this group.

Grad Dropout Subcommittee:

On December 21st Rob Dickinson sent MPAAA's position on the GAD development priorities to CEPI. Janell Craig will post the position paper on the website.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ROUNDTABLE:

Educational Issues Liaison's Report: No report.

ISD Representative's Report:

Sally Washington reported that CEPI has scheduled a meeting with auditors in February regarding the SRSD re-write. Carolyn Claerhout also noted an upcoming meeting with auditors about the revised Adult Ed. manual. MDE is planning to roll out the revised adult ed. and auditing manuals at the spring conference.

UP Representative's Report: No report.

Legislative Liaison's Report: No report.

Members at Large: No report.

MDE Representative's Report: No report.

Newsline Editor's Report:

Julie Weiler stated that the deadline for Newsline article is February 1st. The Newsline will be posted on the website, with no hard copies printed or mailed.

Historian's Report:

Due to absences at today's meeting, Victoria Burke will take photos of Executive Board and Planning Committee members May meeting following the spring conference.

Sergeant at Arms Report:

John Petitto thanked everyone for the cards and notes he received following the recent death of his mother.

John Petitto posed a question regarding a potential suitable home in his district to Joellen Wonsey for clarification, which resulted in a lengthy discussion.

Communications/Technology Report:

Janell Craig reported that she is hoping to present the logo re-design at the next meeting.

CEPI Report:

Trina Anderson reported that the development of the 2007 cohort application is underway, with the goal of pushing out screen shots at the Data Development meeting in two weeks, and then out to the MPAAA task force for feedback before the pilot phase begins in March with districts and ISDs.

ISDs will have a new auditing role in the new GAD application. Next week Trina Anderson will meet with Kathy Weller for clarification on the auditors' role. The anticipated timeline is to roll out the revised GAD application in April with districts having a four-week window to submit change requests on exit codes and other changeable areas, followed by a second four-week window for ISDs to approve the changes.

Next week CEPI will roll out the UIC mass linking report, which is anticipated to clean up a large number of the missing records that districts saw on their last cohort report.

This past week CEPI invited all SIS vendors to a meeting to talk about the phase-in plan for the new SDS system. They received good feedback from the vendors regarding testing, and CEPI will continue to keep them in the loop throughout the application re-write.

PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

On behalf of Julie Beishlag, Sally Washington thanked everyone for the cards she received following her father's death.

There were no reports from Planning Committee members.

Motion by Washington, seconded by Petitto, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Dodge

Janice Dodge

Secretary