

APA Executive Board Meeting September 13, 2011

Call To Order

2:31 pm

Members Present

- Nick Bourland
- Jean Chisnell
- Deborah Sudduth Garland
- Ramiro Gonzales
- Maurice Koffman
- Sean Leahy
- Aaron Ledger
- Vivian Leung
- Debra Porter
- Leo Sell
- Jen Shangraw
- Vikki Tormala
- Rachel Zakhem

Members Absent

Excused

- Cynthia Schneider

Approval of Agenda

- Motion: To approve the agenda
- Moved by Deb, seconded by Vicki
- The agenda was approved

Approval of Minutes

- Motion: To approve the minutes
- Moved by Rachel, seconded by Deb
- The minutes were approved

President's Report

- A written president's report was provided
- Membership issue update provided
- Clarified to the board that unemployment is available for employees who are laid off
- Participated in CMU Faculty job action and invited CMU membership to attend APA tailgate prior to the MSU vs. CMU Football game on Sept 24th
- Secured Mark Smith of the NEA to present at the Oct 6th Lunch and Learn session
- October board meeting set for Oct 11th
- Higher Ed conference will be held at MEA HQ Oct 7th

Treasure's Report

- A written report was provided this month
- Finance committee met to discuss Budget
- Statement of Accounts provided for 10-11 year
- Tentative budget presented and discussed at length
- Motion by Sean on behalf of the budget committee to approve the budget as presented
- The budget was approved

Committee Reports

- Negotiations Committee
 - Chair – Maury Koffman
 - Several Bargaining sessions are scheduled with the university up until mid October
- Communications Committee
 - Chair – Jen Shangraw
 - Newsletter is ready to be released. All member and board requested changes have been implemented
 - Processes, roles and responsibilities on updating the APA website were discussed
- Community Based Activities Committee
 - Chair – Deb Porter
 - Alzheimer's walk is this Saturday
 - Book drive for Capital Area Literacy Coalition is upcoming
- Membership Committee
 - Chair – Nick Bourland
 - Following action items were presented to the board:
 - Membership Composition report
 - Geographical Representative Areas Map
 - Area Representative Program Agreement
 - Motion by Nick on behalf of the membership committee to approve the Area Representative Map and Agreement.
 - The Motion was approved
- Legislative Committee
 - Chair – Leo Sell
 - Report included defining C.A.P.A.C, when the meetings take place and the suggestion of providing P.A.C envelopes at APA events

Uniserv Report

- Staff - Melissa Sortman, Kevin Karpinski
- Melissa gave a written report
- Grievance update provided

- Lunch and Learn dates and New Member Orientation dates have been set
- JHCC is still analyzing vendors to improve quality of care for members. Company original chosen for patient advocacy was unable to provide desired service
- Working jointly with the communications and membership committees to implement strategic initiatives and goals including redesign of new member materials, Area Representative Program redesign and a new logo for MSU APA
- Kevin proposed to the board the possibility of doing an all member Canvas
- APA Tailgate is ready to go on Sept 24th

Member Questions, Comments, and Concerns

- Membership continues to express concern over educational assistance
- RHS announced reorganization. Membership expressed initial concerns about possible loss of jobs. Maury was reassured that at the end of reorganization there will be no loss of jobs

Announcements

- APA Lunch & Learn Oct 6th 2011, MSU International Center Spartan Rooms
- MEA 2011 Higher Education Conference - October 7th 2011, in East Lansing
- APA 2011 Annual General Membership Meeting will be Nov 15 in MSU International Center Spartans Rooms from 12noon to 1pm. This will be a brown bag event.

Executive Session

- Motion: To move into executive session
- Moved by Deb, seconded by Jen
- Passed
- Moved into executive session at 4:51
- The board exited executive session at 5:02
- Bargaining update provided

Adjournment

- Motion: To adjourn
- Moved by Vivian, seconded by Vikki
- Passed, meeting was adjourned at 5:03 pm

Minutes recorded by and submitted by Aaron Ledger, APA Secretary