



MGSOC Board Meeting Minutes: March 19, 2018

Executive Board Officers:

Present: J. Fromm, A. Sheperd, S. Bolle

Absent: J. VanDerAue, M. Truza, D. Bigelow

Committee Chairs:

Present: B. Brown, J. Kowalk, B. Peters, K. Sobanski, M. Dolan, N., D. Brown, J. Grissom

Absent: J. Kowalk, N. Schmid

Quorum: Yes

Others Present:

S. Trout, J. Humphrey

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m. by S. Bolle

EXECUTIVE REPORTS:

PRESIDENT: John VanDerAue absent:

- No report

SECRETARY: Julie Fromm reported:

- **B. Brown made a motion to approve the MGSOC board meeting minutes from February 12, 2018. B. Peters seconded this motion and all agreed.**

FINANCE: Angela Sheperd reported:

- The MGSOC bank balance due to the combined MGSOC Conference monies.
- S. Trout confirmed that she will report to our accountant regarding the Fed 990 which he must file by May 15, 2018.

1ST VICE PRESIDENT: Sally Bolle reported:

- There are 700 certified MG in Oakland County. S. Bolle asked how we could increase our MGSOC membership. S. Bolle suggested having mixers and having a MGSOC membership booth at the conference. B. Peters mentioned having a table at the MG



recognition dinner. Everyone agreed to raise the price of the MGSOC membership dues next year.

- The MSUE licensing fees were discussed:
 - It is important to note that this is a fee being levied on all entities using the MSU and MSUE logo by MSU and not a fee directed at MGSOC only. This is also happening at universities all around the country.
 - MGSOC can continue to sell our current inventory with the MSUE logo until it is gone.
 - We can continue to sell merchandise with the new logo when it is ready.
 - We can use the MSUE logo for free when used for internal purposes.
 - There will be a 12% fee on merchandise sold with the new MSUE branded logo.
- Mary Wilson informed S. Bolle that Less than two weeks ago J. VanDerAue had contacted Ron Bates regarding the sale of MGSOC merchandise at the last MG classes. This matter has been forwarded to the MSUE director's office and legal department for review.

2ND VICE PRESIDENT: Denise Bigelow absent:

- Nothing to report

ADVISOR/PAST PRESIDENT: Margy Truza absent:

- Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2018 MG CONFERENCE:

B. Peters reporting for Margy Truza:

- Conference is sold out.
- Everything is going well.

FUNDRAISING:

Denise Brown reported:

- What our costs will be selling merchandise with the new MSUE logo and what other options we have.
- D. Brown discussed her expenses and inventory and questioned why her committee was being singled out by J. VanDerAue to sustain a reasonable inventory in relation to profitability. Other team leaders noted that they are also held accountable for their budgets but do not make it public. J. Fromm asked that public emails stay professional and courteous.



- A. Sheperd noted that J. VanDerAue has the responsible of the society's budget and money management; which he takes very seriously.
- A day trip is being planned.
- D. Brown will bring the extras keys to the storage unit to the next meeting.
- S. Bolle talked about the immediate need to obtain insurance to cover inventory.

HOSPITALITY:

Kathy Sobanski reported:

- K. Sobanski reported it is still difficult to get members to donate soup for the general meetings. She will continue to eblast the membership for soups as needed.
- K. Sobanski will not be at the August meeting and will need help. She is going to ask the same helper from last year.
- Everyone agreed to do the Summer Pot Luck at the July General Meeting.
- We are only using plastic silverware now for convenience.
- Everyone agreed to expand the dishes to include casseroles.

DOOR PRIZE COORDINATOR:

Janie Grissom reported:

- J. Grissom is making a couple fairy garden raffle prizes.
- **D. Brown made a motion to allow J. Grissom to replace her storage bins. K. Sobanski seconded this motion and all agreed.**

EDUCATION:

Betty Peters reported:

- B. Peters reported that she has all the speakers booked for this year and 2 for 2019.

MEMBERSHIP/ELECTIONS:

Julie Kowalk absent:

- Nothing to report.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

Nancy Schmid absent:

- Nothing to report.

BOWERS FARM:

S. Bolle & B. Brown reported:

- Will be having an orientation meeting.

BSLC RENOVATIONS:

Margy Truza absent:

- Nothing to report.



GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS:

Salle Bolle reported:

- Asked for a vote to advertise at the MG College this fall. The value of this advertising is to market ourselves to the rest of the state as being the largest MG society. The amount would be the same as last year. Majority voted yes to advertise. S. Bolle will design an ad to market the MGSOC Conference and the society when the request for advertising comes out from MSUE.

TRIPS & TOURS:

Margaret Dolan reported:

- M. Dolan stated that everything is going great and there are 8 people on the waiting list.

OLD BUSINESS:

- D. Brown reported that Sylvia Schult is working on an eblast asking for information on any deceased society members for a yearend and website recognition.
- Root and Shoots newsletter has ceased to exist and will now be a web blog when the new website is completed.
- S. Bolle reported on the web site redesign and FB status.

NEW BUSINESS:

- S. Trout reported that she filed the 2017 sales tax and is done with the 990 and will send this to Craig May.
- S. Trout volunteered to be at the bookstand during the conference to help with the card swipes.
- S. Bolle reminded everyone when they begin a new email topic to name it and fill out the subject line.

Motion: Adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Required hours: 2.0

Next Meeting: May 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 5631 North Adams Road, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

- All reports are available from the Secretary. Requests must be made in writing. These minutes will be posted on our website, but without financial information. They may also be edited for content.
- Website: www.mgsoc.org.