



## MGSOC Board Meeting Minutes: August 17, 2020

### Online meeting

#### Executive Board Officers:

Present: L. Propst, A. Sheperd, J. VanDerAue, L. Miehl, J. Fromm

Absent:

#### Committee Chairs:

Present: B. Brown, A. Koran, C. Roney, B. Peters, S. Williams, S. Bolle, K. Sobanski

Absent: J. Grissom, M. Truza, D. Brown, J. Bird

#### Others Present:

S. Trout

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS:

PRESIDENT: Lucy Propst reported:

- Report in new and old business.

SECRETARY: Julie Fromm reported:

- **B. Peters made a motion to approve the MGSOC board meeting minutes as corrected from May 18, 2020. S. Williams seconded this motion. Motion carried.**
- Conflict of Interest forms will be updated by S. Bolle. J. Fromm will send out the updated form for signatures.

FINANCE: Angela Sheperd reported:

- Fifth Third checking account balances of the primary checking and the secondary (used for PayPal deposits). The Certificate of Deposit are closed.
- All credit cards are paid off.
- The Flourish account balance is with accumulated YTD interest.
- The Amazon Smile account deposits directly into our checking account every three months. The last deposit was in August.



1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRESIDENT: Laura Miehl reported:

- Nothing new to report.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

2020 MG CONFERENCE:

Betty Peters reported:

- The 2021 conference venue is confirmed, and a committee meeting is scheduled for October to discuss the risks of planning a live conference.
- B. Peters discussed the pros and cons of having an online 2021 conference.
- A. Koran talked about upgrading our Zoom subscription to a webinar for the conference due to a larger attendance.
- Considerations for pre-recorded speakers and multi session series was discussed.
- Ticket costs and dates for a webinar was discussed. These topics will be addressed at the October meeting.

FUNDRAISING:

Denise Brown absent with report:

- Reported Kroger rewards for May to July from 26 households.
- Merchandise sales are down. Since June there have been 8 web store purchases.
- All events except the October Genesee County MG Conference, have been cancelled.
- The day trip has been cancelled.
- The silent auction is unknown at this point.

HOSPITALITY:

Kathy Sobanski reported:

- Nothing new to report.

DOOR PRIZE COORDINATOR:

Janie Grissom absent:

- Nothing new to report.

EDUCATION:

Amanda Koran reported:

- A. Koran noted that our monthly society zoom meetings has averaged about 50 plus attendees.
- A. Koran is working on speakers for 2021. She noted that if we continue to do monthly MGSOC zoom meetings; we could include speakers from outside our local area.

MEMBERSHIP/ELECTIONS:

Julie Bird absent with report:



- We had new members in July bringing our membership total to 157.
- The finalized 2020 MGSOC Membership Directory was sent out. Thank you to S. Bolle for doing so many updates to the membership list.
- The MGSOC elections was discussed. S. Bolle will send an E-Blast to society members informing them of:
  - The two board positions up for election this year are the Vice President and the Secretary.
  - The committee leadership positions needed are Hospitality and Grants.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Cecily Roney reported:

- C. Roney sent out three get well cards and one condolence card this month.

BOWERS FARM: S. Bolle/B. Brown reported:

- S. Bolle reported that Bowers Farm will be turned into a major event center with monies from the Bloomfield Hills election.
- The gardens were just opened four weeks ago. Due to no required volunteer hours this year, there is a small number of dedicated volunteers working to maintain the gardens.
- A produce and ice cream store has opened with hours of Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 – 7:00 and Saturday till 9:00 p.m.

BSLC RENOVATIONS: Margy Truza absent:

- Nothing new to report.

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS: Laura Miehl reported:

- There were two grants for 2020. L. Miehl will update the grant form with the new MGSOC PO Box address.

TRIPS & TOURS: Sue Williams reported:

- The 2021 trip is still planned for June 17 – 20, 2021.

Marketing & Communications: S. Bolle reported:

- There has not been much new mail.
- S. Bolle confirmed our new mailing address as:  
MGSOC



PO Box 1065  
Bloomfield Hills, Mi 48303

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- L. Propst still needs to contact Lori Imboden to discuss the MGSOC donation to MSUE to use at their discretion and the four student scholarships. A. Sheperd needs to be contacted with the information to distribute these funds to MSUE.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Koran talked about the different ways we could be using our MGSOC youtube account. S. Trout has added a link on our website to our youtube channel.
- L. Propst will contact Beautiful Savior to find out the status of in person meetings.
- J. VanDerAue went over filing dates with S. Trout for MGSOC.

**Motion:** Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Required hours: 1.50

Next Meeting: October 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Skype

- 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](http://www.mgsoc.org).