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MCPA Meeting Updates

April 22, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Penny Miller-Nelson at 1:00pm

The meeting agenda and previous meeting agenda minutes were both approved.

Officer Reports:

Secretary's Report:

Marjorie Alexander

(See link)

Treasurer's Report :

Darlene Fowler

The MCPA treasury is solvent and doing well. There was discussion about a CD that is coming maturity in mid May and what we should do. We have an option to go with a 9 month CD at 3.7% or a 36 month at 2%. It was determined that we go with the 9 month CD and then revisit our options. Please review the treasurer's ledger for additional info *See link*).

We also reviewed the expense report for the Risk Management Conference that was held in Lansing, MI on October 23 & 24, 2007 *(See link)*.

Vice President, Membership:

Kellie Seward

The MCPA would like a complete list of all region members to update the MCPA list. This will help save money on publications and mailings.

Vice President, Publications:

Tom Benton

Tom presented the Spring 2008 Newsletter. If you haven't received your copy, please see the link.

Regional Representative Reports:

MDLEG; OCTP:

Diana Bailey

Diana was unable to attend. No report submitted.

MI Transitions Services: Diann Robinson	This group had a great conference in Frankenmuth, MI. Some info that was shared included: there was great interest in the Summer Conf. by conference attendees and dollars for Transition services are being cut, but then what isn't.
MCNA (Northern MI): Kathy Rautio	Absent
NEMCA (North East, MI): Art Adamec	Absent
NWMCA (North West): Marcia Limbocker	This group is maintaining.
WCCA (Western, MI): Mary Wheeler	This group has had two meetings this year. Their Fall meeting was a recap of the Risk Management and the Spring meeting concentrated on professional dress and a report from an area auditor.
SVRACC (Saginaw Valley): Kellie Seward / Bev Zimostad	This group had two meetings this year (Nov & March). One of these concentrated on Experiential Learning and the other was primarily networking.
KOMAC: Rich Moll	I presented that we have had two meetings to date with a third scheduled for May 14. The topics of our meetings have included an auditor reporting on how she attacks her job and what we should look for. We then discussed Experiential Learning programs and will look at training agreements at our last meeting. I shared with the directors the number of participants we have at a typical meeting and we are by far the largest MCPA region.
MMCA (Mid-MI): Lori Johnson	They have had one meeting which centered around training agreement guidelines and audit information. Another topic they addressed was "Blackboard".
SMOCA (St Clr, Mcmb, Okld): Bettie Rose / Penny Paul	This group has had two meeting. Their NOV meeting focused on an auditors process and the spring meeting was primarily networking.
SEMCA (S. East MI): Cindy Candella / Jennifer Reaume	Absent
SMCCA (Southern MI): Karen Eisley	Absent

SWMCA (S. West MI):
Lisa Bartell

This group has only had a Spring meeting that focused on networking & round table discussions. One area of interest this group has is with Moodle / Blackboard.

Lisa also brought a question to the group, Does an 18 year old student learner legally able to sign the training agreement in lieu of a parent signature? *One director stated that a student is legal at age 18 and can sign for a parent and in fact, you in theory, need permission from the child to discuss grades, etc. with the parent.*

Committee Reports:

The summer conference committee would like to boost attendance at the summer conference. At this point we have 34-37 members signed up. The goal for this conference is 100!

The keynote speaker for the conference is Mr. David Hall. A side note for your thoughts, Mr. Hall is a sex therapist! I don't know where his address will lead.

MCPA has also had offers from other resort areas to hold the conference at there locations. There was discussion about this and several people felt that Crystal Mountain has always been a good place, but if we can get a better rate elsewhere, maybe we should look around.

Unfinished Business:

Recruit new members!

New Business:

We are starting to put the wheels in motion for this fall's Risk Management Conference.