

E-Board March '07 Minutes

MACAC Executive Board Meeting

Friday, March 23, 2007.

In attendance: Mike Kolar, Lori Johnston, Patrick O'Connor, Mary Ann Newbill, John Ambrose, Andy Wright, John Boshoven, Sheila Bailey, Chris Lucier, Karen Hager, Barb Sosin, LaJoyce Brown, Deanna Green, Kim Bryant, Tom Maiolani and Tracie Jones.

I. President's Comments: This was Mike's last official E-board meeting.

a. Recap the accomplishments of MACAC at the conference, including 2006 Camp College.

b. The website will be launched soon, hopefully in time for the conference.

c. The NACAC College fairs were a success, Detroit hosted 4000 guests and Westside 3800.

d. MACAC was awarded all 4 of the grants we submitted!!

e. Urban Counselor workshop went well. i. 7 DPS counselors have asked to join the committee.

II. Committee Reports are due April 10.

a. Reports will be included in packets for the tables at the conference and in the Muse/website.

III. Conference Updates/Assignments:

a. Everything is falling into place. i. E-board will serve in various locations as a "welcoming committee" for conference participants. Greeters at the main doors, sitting at tables during breakfast, etc. The goal is to have a positive E-board presence, welcome our guests, and encourage participation. ii. Keynote: Jean Twinge. Her book will be for sale at the conference. iii. Past President's reception is open to all guests, iv. No formal sit-down dinner, a social reception will be held. v. Wednesday activities: Golf outing (around 16 participants so far), Tour of Grand Rapids area colleges and universities, Whitecaps Baseball game and Tavern on Craft social. vi. New Counselors Conference is coming along.

1. Mike and Kim will contact all the attendees and encourage them to attend the conference.

a. A special Student Rate has been established (although it is not on the printed material) of \$75.00. vii. Awards:

1. Achievement Award: We are still trying to secure a representative for the Department of Education. The award will honor the implementation of the ACT/MME. viii. The program is in the final stages of completion.

1. The program will acknowledge MACAC donors over the past year. Highlighting individuals, businesses, and institutions that have supported the various MACAC programs and events.

IV. Website: We did sign on with Influx Networking. He is in process of developing our site. E-board was able to view a mock-up of the website. It looks great.

a. The price was negotiated to include a year of service.

b. Four training sessions will be offered.

c. A few features: i. The job posting link will be protected, only members will be able to view. ii. Pay online option iii. Standard menu options that appears on every screen.

V. AMSC Update:

a. We have had some press coverage. The Birmingham Eccentric featured an article.

b. The legislation still has not been introduced. Senator Kuipers has some reservations.

VI. Urban Counselors Workshop Summary: The program went well.

a. John has stepped down as chair. Shannon Franklin and a DPS representative will serve as co-chairs for 2007.

b. John passed around the program; a two part program including a Minority Resource Guide.

c. 133 Attendees.

d. The program netted \$3300.

VII. NACAC Fairs Summary: As mentioned above, Detroit hosted 4000 guests and Westside 3800.

a. Gretchen Parks has stepped down as co-chair of the Detroit fair. She has indicated there may be a committee member interested in the position.

b. E-board needs to discuss the potential longevity and goals for DPS. Busing students in was a success. Perhaps we can look for a long term sponsor. ACT?

VIII. MACAC Maple City Update: The association is in the brink of achieving the next level. Recruitment of new members and encouraging activity of current members is key.

IX. Camp College Update: Camp College did receive their grant!!!

X. Around the Table:

a. Treasurer's Report: Some savings has been moved into a CD. The Maggie Miller scholarship has netted a few donations; we will explore investing some of that money to encourage the growth of the scholarship.

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, April 19

5:00

Crown Plaza Hotel

Grand Rapids

submitted by Tracie Jones, Secretary