

Michigan Association of Professional Court Reporters
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Conference Call
Saturday, May 21, 2016 – 9:30 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Sharon Kandt at 9:32 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Cheryl Anne Farmer, Executive Director Wendy DeMatio, Director
 Sharon Kandt, President Denise Kizy, Director
 Jessica Jaynes, President Elect Alison Webster, Director
 Elsa Jorgensen, Senior Advisor Wendy Chunn, Student Liaison
 Roberta Flick, Secretary-Treasurer

Absent: Sarah Fite, Director
 Rochelle McNally, Director

ANTITRUST DOCUMENTS

Antitrust documents signed by Board members

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Keeping things short, Sharon Kandt thanked all again for participating and for a very successful Spring Convention. Evaluations in general were very positive. We are currently working on the 23rd Annual Golf Classic.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. Minutes from Board Meeting held Saturday, March 18, 2016, were not received from Tammy Nielsen. Approval of Minutes delayed until next Board meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Elsa Jorgensen moved to approve Consent Agenda with removal of all, except for Convention and Legislative. Jessica Jaynes seconded. Motion approved. None opposed.

1. **Convention/Seminar** -- Jessica Jaynes pulled.
Working on ideas as a whole, later breakout with committee for further work. Spring Convention planned for Friday-Saturday, March 17-18, 2017. Working on finalized contract with Bill Clark at Somerset Inn in Troy, Michigan.

Discussion: NCRA rep available and/or needed to attend? Ideas for Convention: Veteran's History Project held during seminar. Kansas has members recruit sponsors and receive raffle ticket for prizes. Topics for seminar: training, resume building workshop, Feng shui, creating work/life balance (CEU approval?) cyber security, Michigan Institute for Human Performance, realtime, Realtime Coach. Jessica spoke with Mike "Depoman" at 2016 Boot Camp, working on having him come to Michigan possibly July 2017 for one-day late summer date, realtime, Realtime Coach.

Themes considered: "Spring Ahead in Your Career" or "Everything is Awesome When You're Part of a Team". Committee needs to look at Friday eve and Saturday session schedule, nail down and fill in. Discuss on committee level. Raffle and Student Raffle was very popular in lieu of Silent Auction. Nearly doubled profits over previous years.

2. **Legislative** -- Jessica Jaynes emphasized points in her Legislative Committee Report. SCAO everything geared toward CER versus CSR, changing over from CSR to CER in Manual, and courts going to CER. Florida Supreme Court passed that certain types of cases may have CSR reporting. Jessica is working with Adam Finkel (NCRA) to have a bill in Michigan passed. Start grassroots efforts to start working on bill. Adam Finkel will work with NCRA for help.

Wendy DeMatio moved to contact Adam Finkel re: legislation that certain types of cases must be reported by stenographic reporters. Jessica Jaynes seconded.

Discussion: No lobbyist. Helpful, but no. NCRA will help. We currently do not have a separate fund for this legislation. Grassroots level, very beginning states and efforts.

Sharon Kandt called for vote. Motion passed. None opposed.

Jessica spoke to Mindy whether she worked with Adam and Dave at NCRA. Mindy has not. Page rate legislation has not been responded to. Has left it for now.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Past President Advisory Council. Elsa Jorgensen, nothing to report.
2. Awards – no report.
3. Audit/Finance: Cheryl Anne reported \$37,421.38 total assets, offering we are in a pretty good position at this time of year. Our Profit/Loss overview is pretty good. More money was made at the Spring Convention than was budgeted. We will have a more positive picture after Golf Classic. Spring conference earned \$5481.70, nearly doubled estimated net income. Bar Journal orders earned \$440 more than anticipated.
4. Bylaws/Procedures—Sharon Kandt nothing to report. Suggested change in MAPCR policy with more language having to do with Student Liaison position. Wendy Chunn continuing in position.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

1. Golf Classic—Roberta Flick reported that she is working with Cheryl Anne and Board members on Golf Classic to be held on Friday, June 17, 2016, at Beacon Hill Golf Course in Commerce Township. The date was moved this year from August back to the traditional Golf Classic date of the third Friday in June. It has become more difficult obtaining Sponsorships from law firms this year. All Board members again encouraged to personally contact clients for Sponsorships. Forms were made available. Raffle and door prizes are continuing to be obtained by solicitation of golf resorts and restaurants statewide. Non-golfing volunteers are needed to be on hand for the Outing.
2. Historian: Elsa Jorgensen nothing to report. Elsa has requested that when a Member illness or a Member passing is learned, that Elsa be informed for report at end of year.
3. Website/Social Media: Cheryl Anne and Elsa have requested help with Facebook posts and/or additions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS and GENERAL ORDERS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Roberta Flick is working on a Veteran's History Project for Fall 2016 to be held in Clinton Township, Rose Senior Living facility. Details and request for reporter participation to follow.

OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Sharon Kandt moved to adjourn. Seconded by Jessica Jaynes. Motion passed. None opposed. Meeting adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

Next Meeting: Saturday, September 10, 2016 – Conference Call