



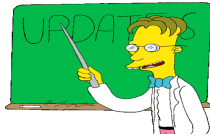
MAPSA BOARD MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 9, 2011



MEMBERS PRESENT: Tara, Amy, Aaron, Jill, Diana, Ronalea

MEMBERS ABSENT: Tim, Gary

NOTES BY: Tara Rother, MAPSA Secretary



COUNTY/MEMBER UPDATES:

Aaron shared that Rice County had multiple drug arrests recently and there were a number of new bail evaluations to complete. There were some questions in Rice County on why the new bail tool took out certain questions, scoring, etc., which raised our feeling that a ½ day training on the bail tool and its research would be helpful.



FINANCIAL REPORT:

Treasurer Levi provided the November Financial Report.

We have a **\$5294.81** balance.

We are still waiting for the Feds to pay the \$60 registration from 2011, but Levi now has a contact at Federal Probation to work on this. The \$500 NAPSA grant money has not yet been sent to us, but Diana checked in with their financial person and they will check their books so we can resolve this soon. The \$20 membership fee from Project Remand from

2010 will be deposited (Ronalea's dues), along with Jill's \$50 2010 conference fee (Brown County). A \$20 membership fee check will be copied and destroyed by Levi from a 2010 individual membership. These were issues discovered recently from checks found at Operation De Novo.

Diana stated that Tim suggested opening the new bank account at Affinity with a \$500 deposit to get it started, then working on moving the rest of the money. Discussion was had on this and we felt it was best to have Levi and Diana go to the Wings Bank together to withdraw the money and close the account, then open an account at the new bank. The Board agreed we would like to move forward with this in a timely manner, so the money is only accessible to MAPSA Board Executives.

The projected account balance is **\$5924.81**.

Discussion was had about not including the projected balance anymore on financial reports and just to report the current balance. The Board agreed we would like Levi to include a copy of the bank statement balance along with his monthly Financial Report.

We also agreed that it is time to update the Treasurer binder with all financial reports, check copies, check registers, etc., and basically get a good report of the past years of financial business to make sure we are up to date. The Financial Reports should be available to all members at any time and in light of the recent checks that were uncovered, we felt the need to really work on this area. Levi has already worked on organizing the financial binder and it will help to send everything to the MAPSA mailbox from now on.

MAPSA BOARD BUSINESS

The MAPSA Bylaws were reviewed and discussed extensively and it was of importance to all members that we have the duties assigned to each Executive Board position be handled by that person, so we can be on track with the guidelines of our organization and for clarity. It was noted the Vice President can take over the Presidential duties if needed. Our current members will stay in their positions until the new members come on board in January.

The majority of the discussion at our meeting centered around the Presidential duties and Tim Gothmann's status. Since he had not attended the last couple meetings, and has not updated the Board with his intentions, Diana met with him and discussed the renewed vision and energy that MAPSA has generated and our concern with his role. We discussed the concerns and agreed on several points that were most important to us. Although it was somewhat uncomfortable to discuss

issues we had with Tim's recent actions/inactions, it was clear it is about MAPSA's quest for new energy and moving forward and not about Tim as a person. We all sympathized with his recent job situation.

These are the issues we raised as concerns:

- Lack of direction for MAPSA
- Lack of strong active leadership
- No clear Agenda for meetings/not provided in advance
- Lack of notice for absence at recent meeting/No Show
- No response to requests for Presidential update for Newsletter
- Mailbox was not checked since August
- Checks from 2010 discovered at De Novo and never deposited or brought to Board's attention
- Lack of promised response to Board on intent or status after recent meeting with the Vice President
- Lack of follow through with MAPSA business
- Minimal effort made to recruit or follow up on new membership
- Feelings toward lack of confidence, credibility, or motivation to protect the integrity of MAPSA and move us forward

A decision was made that Tim will be contacted regarding his status with MAPSA and a formal request will be made for his resignation. Diana would then step into the Presidential role and has expressed her willingness to do so. If no resignation or notice is received, it was decided the Board will vote at the December meeting regarding Tim's removal from the Presidential role. This will be done at the beginning of the meeting, since the Bylaws indicate no business can take place until the vote has been finalized. This is an unfortunate situation for MAPSA and difficult for all to deal with. We all wish Tim well in his future career plans.

OTHER DISCUSSION:

- * We will ask Kelly to put the District map on the website
- * We will have to send a reminder for the \$20 membership dues being due in 2012. We may provide the ½ day training during the year so members will feel it is worth the dues. We will discuss soon how to handle this with the "all county" fees.
- * Diana will call the Landmark and cancel our conference date for 2012



MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE AND OUTREACH:

Things are looking great for new membership.

The new members will be joining us for the meeting in January 2012.

Diana is in contact with these new members and they will be welcomed to the Board.

Rian Psick – St. Louis County – Region 5

Vicki Netges – Sherburne County – Region 8

Jeremy Gallagher – Stearns County – Region 4

Lynette Wellmann – Brown County

It is exciting to have our open Board spots filled so we can get a better understanding of what is going on around the State, as we concentrate on business this next year.

CONFERENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE:

Tara updated the Board that Defil had been contacted at Mystic Lake and informed we would be cancelling our conference for 2012 due to all the changes on our Board and being short on time. She was informed we liked Mystic Lake for our venue and we would be contacting her to work toward the 2013 conference later into 2012. She understood the issues and welcomed us to work with her for the 2013 conference.



NEWSLETTER:

SEND AMY NEWS STORIES FOR UPCOMING ISSUES.

Amy sent out the Fall Newsletter to Kelly and it will be posted on the MAPSA website and sent to MAPSA members. It looks great! Diana sent a letter from the VP updating MAPSA members of the changes we have had and letting everyone know about the conference cancellation for 2012.

The Pretrial Directory is making some progress. Amy is going to send emails out to the other counties for updates. Kelly may help Amy with this since she has emails saved in the membership contact list. We hope

to update this during 2012 so members will have a copy by the 2013 conference.



**IMPORTANT TIME REMINDER
FOR NEXT MEETING!**

**Wednesday, December 14, 2011
Noon-2 pm
SEWARD OFFICE BUILDING – HENNEPIN
COUNTY**