

**Michigan Guardianship Association  
Minutes of Board Meeting  
November 17, 2010**

**Two Men and a Truck International, Inc  
3400 Belle Chase Way  
Lansing, Michigan 48911**

**Board Members Present:** Diane Brown, Georgia Callis, Sue Darling, Stephanie Day, Joy Ebig, Donna Erb, Ken Jewett, Lynne McCollum, Marcia Smith, John Fusic and Steve Burnham

**Present by Phone:** Joy Ebig, Amy Katz and Carol Henny

**Board Members Not Present:** Aaron Garn

**Administrator Barb Fisher Present**

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 10:05 a.m. by President Donna Erb.

**Approval of Agenda:**

Additions to Agenda- Board Member mentoring

**Motion (Callis/Tope) approved**

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion to Approve September 17, 2010 minutes (Day/Tope) approved.**

**Treasurer's Report:**

Financial Report dated September 01, 2010 – October 31, 2010 presented by Sue Darling  
DVD's expenses- \$960 to print,

**Motion** to change DVD charge to \$5 for the DVD and \$3 for postage (Tope/Callis) **approved**  
Final bills from HCAM conference will be submitted to Sue Darling for processing.

**Motion to Approve Treasurers report (Callis/Tope) approved.**

**Administrator's Report:**

Administrators Report dated November 17, 2010 submitted by Barbara Fisher  
Discussion regarding getting folks to utilize the website and log on to the forum.

**Motion** (Callis/Day) to provide an incentive to join the forum by offering a free scholarship to the Spring conference by logging onto the forum. The promotion to run from January 1, 2011 until February 28, 2011, Board members are not eligible for the scholarship and a broadcast email of "save the date" for the upcoming conferences will be sent to the MGA email membership list. **Approved**

**Communications:**

- Livingston County Probate Court Guardianship and Alternatives Workgroup meeting minutes from 08.19.10- Day and Tope are members of the committee. Good discussion and likely opportunities to educate will come from the participation in the group.

- HCAM Conference Report- S Day reported that MGA's attendance/participation was warmly received. Request by HCAM for collaboration on legislative issues that may be of mutual benefit. HCAM offered some of its resources to assist in drafting and working on legislation. **Motion** (Fusic/McCollum) to allow G Callis to attend quarterly meetings of HCAM and report back to MGA. **Approved**
- **Motion** (Jewett/Day) for MGA to be a vendor at the 2011 HCAM conference. **Approved.**

### Committee Reports:

#### Education:

- Upcoming Conferences:
  - Spring 2011- Great Wolf Lodge- Traverse City- April 21-22
  - Fall 2011- Amway or Crown PlazeGrand Rapids- October 14, 2011
- D Brown- workshops for Spring 2011 Conference almost complete.

#### Public Relations:

- Report by S Day
- Invitation to vend at **the May 3/4 2011 Michigan Assisted Living Association (MALA)** conference. **Motion** to attend/vend (Henny/Brown) **Approved**

#### Presidents Report:

- Discussed thought of Board members bringing food/treats to each meeting on a rotating basis. J Fusic volunteered for January 2011 meeting.
- Possible media requests stemming from an investigative report regarding guardianship. Discussed importance of MGA response being a united one and media inquires should be directed to the president.
- Reported that the Administrators contract had been revised and completed.

#### Old Business:

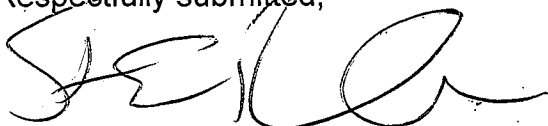
- None

#### New Business:

- Discussion about importance/need to provide mentoring to new board members. G. Callis volunteered to assist K Jewett and M. Smith volunteered to assist L. McCollum.
- C. Tope was made aware of a training program in Macomb county- Advocacy, Inc. **Motion** (Callis/Burnham) to have D. Erb attend, collect information and report back to Board. **Approved.**

**Motion** to Adjourn at 12:15 by Day/McCollum. **Approved**

Respectfully submitted,



Steven E Burnham, MGA Secretary