

MICHIGAN GUARDIANSHIP ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Board Meeting

November 21, 2008

Two Men and a Truck International Inc.

3400 Belle Chase Way

Lansing, MI 48911

Board Members Present: Sue Darling, Donna Erb, Michael Fraleigh, Pat Fosdick, Alicia Chapman, Dawn Jacob, Marcia Smith, Joy Ebig, Diane Brown

Present by Phone: Michael Young, Carol Henny, Charlotte Beiri

Board Members Not Present: Georgia Callis, Ron Lantz, Neelum Puri

Guest:

Consultant:

Barb Fisher

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 10:15 by Pres. Michael Fraleigh

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve agenda as presented

Moved:

Support:

Motion carried: Secretary was out of room on call, upon return was told that "It's cool".

Approval of Minutes Tabled until next meeting as several members did not receive them. E-mail addresses were checked and are correct.

Motion to approve minutes as presented

Moved:

Support:

Motion carried

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Moved: Diane Brown

Support: Donna Erb

Motion carried

Treasurer Sue Darling asked for permission to move the CD to a different bank to earn higher interest. Carol Henny was requested to do a report on the last spring conf.

Moved: Michael Fraleigh

Support: Alicia Chapman

Motion Carried.

Administrator's Report

There are presently 138 members with 30 members from 2007 not yet renewed.
224 Newsletters were sent out in September
Our Spring and Fall conferences are now showing a gain each year instead of a loss.
15 DVD's have been sold since May.

Correspondence

Joy Ebig has been getting emails from one individual asking for legal advice. She is no longer responding to this person. If you receive an email from a Dawn Lambert you might choose to ignore it.

Education Committee

The Spring Conf. will be April 23-24th at Shanty Creek. We are doing a bundled rate of \$139.00 which includes room and all meals.

Presently workshops will be Judges Corner, 2 session on Veterans, Nursing facility transition, Exploitation, State to State guardianship. More sessions and speakers are needed. Please get ideas to Barb as soon as possible. Mike Cox as keynote speaker was brought up and will be checked on.

Motion: To set the registration for Spring conf. at \$90.00 for members, \$140.00 for non-members

Moved: Donna Erb

Support: Sue Darling

Motion approved

The Fall conf. will be in Grand Rapids Oct. 15-16 or 22nd-23rd. The possibility of teaming with Focus again is being investigated with Dave Hinsberg doing a whole 1-day session.

Membership

No report

Legislative Committee

No current bills regarding guardianship pending

Communication Committee

Please review information on web site and make comments to Barb.

Alicia had put together an information packet on listing individuals as resources on the web site. There was a lengthy discussion until Dawn pointed out that the minutes from last meeting had charged the committee with setting parameters for removing a guardian as a resource, not who or how one would be listed. This discussion as been tabled to next meeting and will be listed as an agenda item.

Michael F. questioned how individuals wanting to be resources were checked. Barb makes sure that they are a MGA member and a National Certified or Master Guardian through the Nationals web site.

President's Report

Michael Fraleigh would like to meet with the executive board for a goal setting meeting. He is interested in the rest of the board's ideas. Please email him with suggestions.

Alicia would like to see us work on getting compensation for guardians increased as this is a budget year.

Old Business

Alicia researched portable drives for both the treasurer and secretary and recommended the Western Digital. Both declined to have one at this time. Sue is comfortable using excel and can be passed from one person to another

This is tabled until the next meeting when the treasurer will produce a detailed report.

New Business

Discussion on membership fees. Barb reported that \$24.22 is used for administrative/newspaper and postage fees. This means that \$20.00 goes to MGA.

Motion: To retain fees at \$45.00

Moved: Dawn Jacobs

Support: Sue Darling

Motion approved with 1 nay and 2 abstentions.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 12:40

Moved: Donna Erb

Support: Michael Young

Motion approved.

NEXT MEETING IS JANUARY 16TH. HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYONE

Respectfully submitted

Donna J. Erb

Secretary

National Certified Guardian

Educator/ NGA

MEETING DATES FOR 2009

JANUARY 16

MARCH 13

MAY 15

JULY 17

SEPTEMBER 18

NOVEMBER 13