



## MACDE Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

10:00

1. Call to Order
  - a. Meeting was called to order by Chair at 10:06 a.m.
2. Welcome –
  - a. Members in attendance: Jill Carlier, Michele Stindtman, Chessa Frahm, Nicole Bernd, Dan Cibulka, Meghan Darley, Tasha Lauer, Cody Fox, Ashley Brenke.
3. Approval of the Agenda –
  - a. Motion was made by Nicole, seconded by Jill to approve the agenda. Motion Carried
4. Approval of the Minutes –
  - a. Motion was made by Meghan, seconded by Dan to approve the Minutes. Motion Carried
5. Treasurer's Report –
  - a. Dan gave the Treasurers Report and the Budgeting Sheet. Motion was made by Jill, seconded by Tasha to approve the Treasurers Report. Motion Carried
6. Directors' Reports
  - a. Nicole attended the MASWCD Board meeting on July 29, 2020 and sent notes to the members. Items of interest included:
    - i. Annual meeting will be held in a virtual format for 2020
    - ii. Aitkin SWCD is not members of MASWCD
    - iii. Leadership Program will focus more on supervisors attending.
    - iv. Areas are still not sure about meetings.
    - v. District Capacity Work Group has been organized. More will be discussed when appropriate.



- b. Area I – Nicole reported that she is a member on the Capacity Committee. The SWCD has been successful in obtaining some of the COVID relief funds from their county to cover costs of COVID related expenses.
  - c. Area II – Cancelled area meeting
  - d. Area III – Quiet. Having lots of virtual meetings.
  - e. Area IV - Many metro managers and staff are continuing to work from home. They had a virtual Area meeting which went well for them.
  - f. Area V – Tyler has stepped down from the MACDE board. Shelly Lewis will be taking over his position on the board.
  - g. Area VI – Quiet. Will be cancelling Area Meeting. Scheduling a Managers meeting soon.
  - h. Area VII –
  - i. Area VIII – A lot of staff are still working from home. Andy Arens will be joining the board.
7. Managers Meeting was discussed. Will be hosting an in-person meeting in Mid November.
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8. Committee Reports
- a. Awards – Will be working on the Outstanding Contribution Award for the Annual Convention.
  - b. Communications
  - c. Events
  - d. Professional Development –
    - i. Budget Training will be held by offering 4 sessions. MACDE will be responsible for printing of the materials and mailing. Registration will be done via the MACDE website.
    - ii. Onboarding Training will be offered October 14<sup>th</sup>.



- e. Bylaws
- f. Strategic Plan
- g. Committee Membership
- 9. Old Business
  - a. Annual Meeting – Is on hold. Were discussing other options that would maybe work. Members were encouraged to think outside the box on ideas.
  - b. Budget Workshop
- 10. New Business
  - a. Anoka Partnership – Information was presented from the Anoka CD. They are interested in working in some Ag Video outlining technical resources of the SWCD's. Interested members were encouraged to contact the Anoka CD directly.
  - b. Other Business
- 11. Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

#### Committee Assignments

Awards: Michele\*, Jill

By-laws: Dan\*, Meghan

Communications: Tasha\*, Ashley, Meghan

Website: Chessa\*, Tasha

Events: Michele, Jill, Chessa

Grants: Nicole\*, Michele, Dan

Professional Development: Chessa\*, Michele, Cody, Nicole

Strategic Planning: Nate\*, Dan,

Technical Team: Cody, Alternate Nate