

**MINUTES OF MIAMA BOARD MEETING
DRAKE ARENA, ST. PAUL, MN
JUNE 19, 2007**

Board Members Present: Mary Pat Black, Doug Brady, Dean Mulso, Maurice Slepica, Joe Balzer, Travis Larson, Garry Hadden, Rich Rakness, Ted Mateski

Board Member Absent: Gordy Atol, Russ Rose, Bob Furland, Dave Black

Visitors Present: None

The meeting was called to order at 9:57am.

The minutes from the February 28, 2007 board meeting were moved by Joe B. and seconded by Travis L., minutes approved. The agenda was moved by Ted M. and seconded by Mary Pat B., agenda approved.

OPEN FORUM: None

SECRETARY/TREASURER: Dean M. reported that Kit Welchlin is interested in being a speaker at one of our conferences in the future. Dean informed the board that Lon Sorenson would like to host a SIRO program and would like the help of MIAMA to subsidize the offering to the membership. The topic was tabled and will be discuss at the September board meeting. He brought up the e-mail from John Benton about hosting the 2010 U.S. Olympic team trials from February 21-28, 2009. This information will be posted on the bulletin board. We are getting a quote from Arena Concepts for the service of accepting credit cards. Secretary's report accepted.

Dean handed out the detailed expense budget to date and the detailed income budget to date. Overall the board has stayed within the budget and the national conference spending and income came in where the board had planned. We are awaiting the check or checks from ISI on the payment to MIAMA per our contract. MIAMA has a current balance of \$30,951.19. Treasurer's report was accepted.

MIAMA/ISI NATIONAL CONFERENCE: Overall the conference was excellent. MIAMA only saw the closing party as the low point (roast was to long). MIAMA social was fun and everyone enjoyed it. Name pronunciation at awards banquet needs to be better. MIAMA will be sending thank you cards Mark Vaughan and Mike Mattson for their help.

FALL WORKSHOP: Joe B. and Mary Pat B. presented layout of workshop. Tour of facility and registration will start the day. A general session will be next, followed by break out sessions. Next will be a trade show and lunch. Then golf event to close out the day. A continental breakfast will be served, Mexican buffet for lunch and golf all for the low price of \$10 per person.

ELECTION CANDIDATES: Ted has the list of candidates for each district. Ted will get back to me with final ballots by July 7, 2007.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EDUCATION COMMITTEE: No Report

WEB PAGE COMMITTEE: Gave an update on traffic on the website. We are averaging 135,000+ unique visitors annually. Travis will work with Mike Bauer to provide a tutorial insert for the spring conference and the newsletter. Hopefully this will help to make more arenas' use the website.

MEMBER REGONITION: No report

MN HOCKEY: Want MIAMA to have a golf team in their tournament. Board has decided that MIAMA will not pay for a golf team. A host site or association for state tournament will receive \$1,500.00 once they turn in their expense report within 30 days. Associations are being audited if members work the concession stand and their association credits them any money towards expenses, the IRS is requiring the people to pay taxes on that income. Regional tournament fees are now \$450.00, State tournament fees are free.

RETIREEES/ALUMNI: Ted M. moved to disband the retiree/alumni committee do to no response. Seconded by Maurice S. Motion carried.

ELECTIONS: See above

OLD BUSINESS:

NARCE CONFERENCE: Dean gave an overview of the conference. Tracks are excellent and it is like going to school for four straight days. Dean and Gordy A. talked to each vendor booth about our association and invited them to become members. We also gave away two vendor memberships as door prizes. Highly recommend to continue to go to conference if possible.

FALL CONFERENCE:

Concerned over non-commitment of 2009 contract from Grandview. Dean M. will try to get firm numbers by next board meeting. If no commitment, we will begin to look elsewhere to secure 2009 and 2010.

NEW BUSINESS:

AL PAYNE: The MIAMA board is going to be giving a memorial to the Payne family. Dean M. moved to donate \$250.00 and Maurice S. seconded. Motion failed. Ted M. moved \$500.00 donation on behalf of the entire membership, Garry H. seconded. Motion carried.

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH: Held a meeting with representatives from MIAMA, Target Center, Metrodome, Xcel Energy Center and others. Went over the current law and discussed each item and how to change it to be current. The current law doesn't split out indoor motor sports and ice arenas. The law doesn't work for all applications and this is an avenue through the state that we can change the law to work better for the arena industry.

DISTRICT REPORTS:

CENTRAL: No report

SOUTH METRO: No Report

SOUTHERN: No report

NORTH METRO: No report

WEST METRO: No report

NORTHEAST: No report

EAST METRO: No report.

The next board meeting will be held at 7:00pm on September 4, 2007 at the Schwan's Super Rink.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:44pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dean Mulso
MIAMA Secretary/Treasurer/Administrative Assistant