



Interim Board Meeting

June 15, 2016 – 11:00 a.m.

Attendance: Ted Arbeiter, Javier Cedillo, Jennifer Erickson, Jim Knightwright, Mike Rennels, Mary Van Sickle, Tina Wilson

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order** – Tina called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. Ted Arbeiter briefly discussed a few issues being faced by his community media center.
2. **Financial Report** – Tina Wilson, Chair
 - A. Tina said we are awaiting a check from the silent auction winner; there was a death in the family and he has not been able to send out the check. The amount should be \$410. Tina said she hopes to receive this before July 6.
 - B. Tina reported a current balance of \$835.05, which includes savings and checking together.
 - C. Tina said she moved \$100 into a new savings account, as per the vote during the last Board call.
 - D. Tina said she received \$150 from WCM for award submissions (included in the \$835.05)
3. **ACM National**
 - A. Next meeting to be held on June 21 via teleconference.
 - a. Midwest Board Regular status is on the agenda.
 - B. National Conference – August 18-20, Boston, Mass.
 - i. Registration is now open.
 - ii. Foundation Fundraiser- Harpoon Brewery Beer Tasting on Thursday. Limited spots – money goes to the 501c3 portion of ACM.

Mary said that registrations are way ahead of what we normally see this time of year. Exhibitors are full, to overflow. Financially, this looks great for the ACM – this will be a healthy year, plus, content-wise, it will be great. She reminded everyone that early registration ends in mid-July.

4. **MW Region**

- A. MW Region Board
 - i. Tina congratulated and welcomed the newest board member, Javier Cedillo, and returning members Ross, Jim, Ted and Mike.
 - ii. Tina said that Jennifer, as Elections Chair, will send Tina a report on the election process.
 - iii. Election of offices. Mary made a motion to nominate the following slate of officers: Tina Wilson as Chair for her second term; Ross Rowe as Vice Chair;

- Jennifer Erickson as Secretary and Jim Knightwright as Treasurer. Ted seconded Mary's motion. All were in favor; none opposed; so moved.
- iv. Wednesday, July 6, 2016 – Joint Midwest ACM/National Foundation of the ACM convening and fundraiser. No invites out yet. Tina is working with Mike Wassenaar.
 - a. At SPNN, there will be a morning workshop on digital inclusion groups. There will be an afternoon session for both members and non-members to discuss issues we face on a daily basis and how the ACM can assist. SPNN tour to follow.
 - b. Fundraiser yet to be determined.
 - c. The ACM Midwest Region has committed up to \$400 for event.
 - d. Alpha video donated an Apple TV for door prize. (\$150 value)

Tina encouraged everyone to attend. Jennifer asked whether we will split the funds raised during the event. Mary said there is no commitment from ACM to split the funds, but she expects that the ACM will recoup costs and then split the remainder. Mary said she would clarify this before the June 21 meeting.

Tina said she is compiling a list of nonmembers in the ACM Midwest Region and plans to call each of them herself (St. Cloud, Duluth, Western Wisconsin, etc.) Mary said she'd call some too. Ted said that he had put together a list of Access Centers in Minnesota – he will share that with us.

B. Midwest Committees (Nominations/Elections, Member Relations, Fund Development, Communications)

Tina said that the board needs to define what each committee does and designate a chair for each. We can focus on this during the next call. Mary suggested we identify as a board a couple of goals for each committee, to help with recruitment. At National Conference in August, we can make goals for the coming year.

We have time set aside in Boston for an ACM Midwest region meeting at 3:15 p.m. on Thursday, August 18. Tina said she would work to set up a TimeBridge announcement, so that ACM Midwest members not in Boston may join the meeting via conference call.

C. [ACM Midwest Region Website](#) and Facebook

- i. Tina said she added minutes and Bylaws to the site last night. She said she will continue to do this.
- ii. Tina asked Javier to send his bio, to be added to the page.
- iii. Tina asked everyone to review the page: ACMMidwest.org.

5. Other Business

Mike said that Mary is still listed as Chair on the "Contact Us" page. Tina said she'd work to correct this ASAP.

Tina said she'd like to discuss at our next meeting the potential of creating a financial account where people may click on a link and donate to us, with a goal of beefing up our funds.

6. **Next Meeting Date(s):** July 13 at 11 a.m.

7. **Meeting Adjournment:** Mike made a motion to adjourn; Jim seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.