

Midwest Area Regional Council General Membership Meeting

Overland Park, KS

July 22, 2011

Vice President, Deana Walters introduced President, Mariann Hayes.

Mariann called the meeting to order and introduced the board members who were present as follows:

Vice President/President Elect	Deana Walters	Indiana
Secretary	Pat Ludwig	Michigan
Treasurer	Emmy Neustrom	South Dakota
Parliamentarian	Pam Grenard	Indiana
Jr. Past President	Brenda Meyers	Ohio
Chaplain	Paula Winchester	Illinois
ESA Foundation Counselor	LeAnn Wray	Michigan
Ways & Means Chair	Lynn Howley	Indiana
Workshop Coordinator	Joyce Reed	Illinois
Advisor	Leora Walton	Iowa

Mariann then welcomed all of the State Presidents, delegates, Past MARC Presidents, 1st time convention goers and guests.

Chaplain, Paula Winchester, gave the thought for the day.

Parliamentarian, Pam Grenard, read the Rules of the Meeting.

President, Mariann, explained that the June issue of reMARC was not published by Communicator, Glenna Segall, as her computer crashed and all of the information was lost.

Secretary, Pat Ludwig, took roll call as follows:

State	Members in State	Members Present	State President Present	State President Alternate	MARC Reps Present	MARC Rep Alternate
Illinois	459	10	1		1	1
Indiana	338	21	1			2
Iowa	35	3	1			2
Michigan	65	5	1			2
Minnesota	123	9	1		2	
Missouri	210	27	1			2

State	Members in State	Members Present	State President Present	State President Alternate	MARC Reps Present	MARC Rep Alternate
Nebraska	105	12	1		1	
Ohio	108	6	1			2
South Dakota	176	6	1		1	1
Wisconsin	80	8	1		2	
	1699	107	10		7	12

With 29 delegates in attendance, a quorum was present.

As the minutes of the MARC Leadership Conference held in Indianapolis, IN on October 8-10, 2010 were distributed electronically to those that require them, Secretary, Pat Ludwig, moved that we dispense with the reading of the minutes and that the minutes be approved as distributed. Seconded by Marilyn Eback, Indiana, and carried.

Treasurer, Emmy Neustrom, presented the current financial report as follows:

Balance on hand, October 2010	\$9,593.18
Income	\$6,675.21
Expenses	\$1,612.21
Balance on hand, July 22, 2011	\$14,656.18

After some discussion, it was noted that the October balance on hand above is not the same as the October balance on hand of \$15,224.18 shown on the financial report that was distributed so corrections will be made.

Secretary's Note: In going over the complete financial report after the meeting, it was determined that the figures on the financial report were incorrect and the correct figures are as follows:

<i>Balance on hand, October 2010</i>	<i>\$9,593.18</i>
<i>Income</i>	<i>\$6,675.21</i>
<i>Expenses</i>	<i>\$1,712.21</i>
<i>Balance on hand, July 22, 2011</i>	<i>\$14,556.18</i>

The corrected Treasurer's report will be published in reMARC's and will be filed for audit.

Treasurer, Emmy Neustrom, presented the proposed budget for the 2011/2012 year.

After some discussion, it was determined that the checkbook balances should not be shown on the proposed budget and that the Conference Advance of \$500 should be shown as income as well as expenses as the council is reimbursed for that expense.

The corrected proposed budget will be published in the August reMARC.

ESA Foundation Counselor, LeAnn Wray, reported the following for the MARC scholarship fund:

Restricted Endowment Amount	\$5,000.00
Spendable Account Balance	\$11,827.73
Total Balance	\$16,827.73
Interest Earned	3 year rolling rate of 3.29% for \$553.63

LeAnn moved that we give one \$500 scholarship for the 2011/2012 year. Seconded by Leora Walton, Iowa. Discussion followed and Mary Parr moved to amend the motion to give one \$1000 scholarship for the 2011/2012 year. Seconded by Kim Mandrell, Missouri, and carried as amended.

Ways & Means Chair, Lynn Howley, requested support from the MARC states for the fundraising events at the conference in October. She requested (3) Chinese auction items from each state with a minimum value of \$15 each as well as one item from each state for the live auction valued at \$20 or more. Lynn also requested that each state put together a basket of items representing their state which will also be auctioned.

There is still a large supply of MARC pins which will be sold at \$2.50 for the old Check Mark pins and \$5.00 for the newer round pins.

Lynn did considerable research and found that we could get a raffle license in Illinois so we will be having a raffle to raise additional funds to support the budget. The raffle prizes will be 25%, 15%, and 10% of the amount raised with the other 50% going to MARC.

Lynn and Kathy Loyd have located a vendor that will produce MARC logo apparel for us that will charge \$5.10 shipping per item and will ship direct to the purchaser with no minimum order required. Apparel available is as follows:

Polo Shirts	\$30.00	\$32.00 XL and above
Long sleeve shirts	\$40.00	\$42.00 XL and above
Sweatshirts	\$35.00	\$37.00 XL and above
Fleece Jackets	\$40.00	\$42.00 XL and above

Parliamentarian, Pam Grenard, presented the following proposed addition to the Standing Rules which will be published in the August reMARC so it can be discussed in the MARC states before it is brought for a vote at the October Leadership Conference.

Proposed Standing Rule – coming from the MARC Board

XV. MARC Leadership and Conference

- A. The annual MARC Leadership and Conference shall be hosted by a MARC state according to a rotational plan.
- B. Based on historical information and bids received through 2014, the following rotation will begin in 2015 and will continue in chronological order every 10 years thereafter.

Current Bids Received:

- 2011 – Illinois
- 2012 – Missouri
- 2013 – Iowa
- 2014 – Wisconsin

Rotational meeting plan – 1st 10 years

- 2015 – Nebraska
- 2016 – Minnesota
- 2017 – Michigan
- 2018 – South Dakota
- 2019 – Ohio
- 2020 – Indiana
- 2021 – Illinois
- 2022 – Missouri
- 2023 – Iowa
- 2024 – Wisconsin

- C. A member state that cannot host in rotation must advise the MARC Jr. Past President/Nominating Committee Chairman at least two years prior to the scheduled date so that an exchange of years can be negotiated with another member state.

Jr. Past President and Nominating Committee Chair, Brenda Meyers, introduced the following members of the Nominating Committee: Rozanne Robertson, Sandi Anderson, and Deana Walters and thanked them for their assistance.

The following slate of officers was presented for the 2011/2012 MARC year:

Jr. Past President	Mariann Hayes	Iowa
President	Deana Walters	Indiana
Vice President	Emmy Neustrom	South Dakota
Treasurer	LeAnn Wray	Michigan
	Mary Parr	Minnesota
Secretary	Pam Grenard	Indiana
Parliamentarian	Madeleine Kurzynski	Ohio

Communicator

Lynn Howley

Indiana

President, Mariann, called for nominations from the floor. There being none, nominations were closed.

The qualifications of the candidates will be published in the August reMARC's.

Presentation of conference bids by Brenda were as follows:

2014 – Courtesy bid from Wisconsin

2013 – Courtesy bid from Iowa

2012 – Kansas City, Missouri – Pam Baker, Chair (Presented by Kim Mandrell)

Date: October 12-14, 2012

Location: KCI Embassy Suites located 4 miles from the airport with free shuttle

Room Rate: \$119 per night for 1-4 persons (extended 2 days before & 2 days after)

Cooked to order breakfast each morning & managers cocktail reception each evening

Shopping at Zona Rosa, casinos, lots of food and entertainment

2011 – Bloomington, Illinois – Norma Donnay, Chair (Presented by Joyce McCoy)

Date: October 14-16, 2011

Location: Doubletree Hotel, Bloomington, Illinois

Room Rate: \$99.00

Full Registration fee: \$120.00

Packets containing registration forms and other information on the 2011 conference will be distributed to MARC board members, MARC State Presidents, and MARC Representatives following the meeting and will also be published in the August reMARC's and on the MARC website www.esamarc.org.

Workshop Coordinator, Joyce Reed, presented the leadership program for the 2011 conference and distributed the following information on the workshops:

Lori Neihart: "Our Treasured Memories" (information on the brain and Alzheimer's)

Terri Crum: "Illinois State's Treasured Project" (Camp New Hope)

Chip Schaefer: "Our Treasured Troops" (ESA Member and Viet Nam Veteran)

Joyce Reed: "Treasure the Child Within" (de-stressing)

President Mariann asked for any other business or announcements. Hearing none, she adjourned the meeting at 4:30pm.

Pat Ludwig

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Recording Secretary

Submitted Electronically 8/7/11

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President

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**Midwest Area Regional Council
Financial Statement as of 7/15/11**

	2010-11 Budget	Receipts	Expenses	Over/Under	Balances
Beginning Balance 10/11/10					\$9,593.18
INCOME					
Ways & Means					
Fundraiser (Market Place)	2,000.00	2,465.00		465.00	
MARC Pins	50.00	5.00		-45.00	
Shirts					
MARC Scholarship (in/out)		100.00		100.00	
ReMARC's subscriptions	30.00	20.00		-10.00	
State Fundraiser donations	500.00	77.00		-423.00	
Conference Profit	1,500.00	4,008.21		2,508.21	
Sub-Total Income	4,080.00	6,675.21		2,595.21	
Refund/Conf Site Advance					
Total Income	4,080.00	6,675.21		2,595.21	\$6,675.21
EXPENSES					
MARC Spring Board Meeting	125.00				
IC Dues	40.00				
MARC Scholarship Fundraiser			100.00	-100.00	
Foundation Dues	15.00		15.00		
President's Expenses					
Communication	30.00				
IC Conv Reg/travel/flag pole	725.00		245.00	-480.00	
MARC Conf Reg/travel	275.00				
Other Travel					
President Elect Expenses					
Yearbook/printing/postage	100.00				
IC Leadership.travel	1000.00		756.40	-243.60	
Secretary Expenses	5.00				
Treasurer Expenses	10.00				
Ways & Means Chair Expenses	25.00				
Parliamentarian Expenses					
Communicators Expenses					
Chaplain Expenses	75.00				
Jr. Past President Expenses	10.00				
MARC St. Reps Mileage	250.00				
Bond for MARC – Due 4/2012					
IC Convention Ad	50.00		50.00		
Website Expenses	150.00				
IC Audio Expense –MN			45.81	-45.81	
Sub-Total Expenses	2,885.00		1,212.21	-869.41	
Advance to Conf. Site (MO)**	500.00		500.00		
Speakers fund*	1,500.00				
Total Expenses	4,885.00		1,712.21	-869.41	\$1,712.21
ENDING BALANCE 7/15/11					\$14,556.18

FOOTNOTES: Bond is due 4/2012 for 3 years

*Funds available if necessary. **Can only be income if disbursed to conference.

**Midwest Area Regional Council
2011/2012 Proposed Budget**

INCOME			
Ways & Means			
Fundraisers	\$2000.00		
MARC Pins	50.00		
State Donations/Fundraisers	500.00		
Leadership Conference	1750.00		
ReMARC's Subscriptions	30.00		
SUB-TOTAL INCOME	\$4,330.00		
Refund of Conf. Advance**	500.00		
TOTAL INCOME	\$4,830.00		\$4,830.00
EXPENSES			
MARC Spring Board Mtg.		\$125.00	
IC Dues		40.00	
Foundation Dues		15.00	
President's Expenses			
IC Conv Reg/travel		725.00	
MARC Conf Reg/travel		275.00	
President Elect Expenses			
Yearbook/postage/printing		100.00	
IC Leadership Reg/travel		1,000.00	
Secretary Expenses		5.00	
Treasurer Expenses		10.00	
Ways & Means Chair Expenses		25.00	
Chaplain Expenses		75.00	
Jr. Past President Expenses		10.00	
MARC State Conv Reps Mileage		700.00	
IC Ad		50.00	
Website Expenses		150.00	
IC Audio Expense		50.00	
Bond - Due 4/2012		500.00	
SUB-TOTAL EXPENSES		\$3,855.00	
Conference Advance MO**		500.00	
Speakers Fund*		1500.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$5,855.00	\$5,855.00
Notes: *Funds available if necessary. Encourage host state to seek free speakers if at all possible.			
**The \$500 can only be income if it is disbursed to conference.			
Treasurer's Note: If speakers funds are not used, expenses will be \$4,355			