



Minnesota Law Enforcement Explorer Association

Wednesday March 9, 2011

Meeting Minutes

Location: Look out 8672 Pineview Ln N, Maple Grove, MN 55369-9144

Meeting called to order by Chair Brandon Brugger at 1138 hrs.

Present:

Chair Brandon Brugger (MLEEA/ Minneapolis PD), Treasurer Duwayne Dixon (MLEEA), Secretary Desiree Toninato (MLEEA Coon Rapids PD), Jason Ruis (Coon Rapids P.D.), Tim Hannan, Jenny Heddal (Northern Star Council), Erika Wallert (Carver Co. S.O.), Scott Tullius, (Rochester P.D.), Ryan Mangusen, (Rochester P.D.), Julie Olson, (Maplewood P.D.), Michelle Stark (Oakdale P.D.), Brian Strashane (Oakdale P.D.), Roy Gilman (Oakdale P.D.), Megan Buse (Oakdale P.D.), Dan Meyer, (St. Louis Park P.D.), Gabriel Lee, (Blaine P.D.), Mike Kreckowski (MN State Patrol), Kaitlyn Kavanaugh (Youth Rep/HCSO), Kelly Phillips (Minnesota State Patrol), tim Harris (Washington County S.O.), Terina Peterson (Lino Lakes P.D.), Pete Noll (Lino Lakes P.D.), Kathy McNelley (New Brighton P.D.), Matt Gottschalk (Mankato P.D.), Brian Owens (Blaine P.D.), Allen Schmidt (Mankato P.D.), Mary Bitzan (New Brighton P.D.), Charles Redmond (St. Paul P.D.), Nick Gross (Maple Grove P.D.), Katie Winckler (Maple Grove P.D.), Kal Neraby (Maple Grove P.D.), Troy Pepin (MLEEA), and Brandon Kuske (Edina P.D.)

Chair Brugger requested an approval for the minutes dated 12-8-2010. Motion to approve the minutes by Schmidt (Mankato P.D.) and seconded by Wallert (Carver County Sheriff's Office). **MINUTES APPROVED.**

Committee Reports:

Treasurers' report: Dixon presented. Profit and loss sheets handed out dated from May 2010 through March 9, 2011 and Balance sheet dated March 9, 2011.

Reports were explained and Dixon explained that the investments for the scholarship program were doing well. Brugger requested a motion to approve the Treasurers report. Treasury report motion to approve by Rochester P.D. and seconded by Oakdale Police Department

TREASURERS REPORT APPROVED.

Dixon also explained that all this past years treasurers paperwork will be at the conference and available to view upon request. He explained that an internal audit is done yearly and a full audit is completed upon the treasurers' position changing.

Scholarships: An update for each post on your account was emailed out this past month. Also, the board as not yet received any applications for the Nick Turcotte and Shawn Silvera Scholarships. Turcotte is for \$1000.00 and Silvera for \$500.00.

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing at this time.

NEW BUSINESS: State Conference 2011

Academics: Friday Sgt. Wickegren from Minneapolis P.D. will do two sessions. In the morning mental health and in the afternoon officer involved shooting.

Saturday will be Dave Smith (A.K.A. Buck Savage) from Caliber Press on Street Survival. He will also be the keynote speaker for the Banquet. Topics are still being discussed, but there is a chance that there will be up to four sessions. We are getting him at a low rate of \$1500.00 so we want to use him as best we can. Times – not yet figured out but will be an hour and a half sessions.



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Kotohryz spoke on the Job Interview event: Due to last year's interest we will have it once again. There was an interest in a possible third panel but for the cost of housing three more people it would be too costly. We will revisit this proposal again next year. We have only five of the six and a request was put out to obtain a female officer to balance out the panels. (During a short break for lunch we did get a volunteer). Information on Job interview continued: There will be better signage and communication for this event. Sign up will be at the main registration desk.

BIKE COURSE: We hope to have it back. The bike course will be moved to the metered parking lot on the same block that Accident and Traffic Stops are being held. This is off Post Road. Rochester offered one additional instructor and additional bikes if needed.

Practical's: Info presented by Dixon, Cayo not present.

Bombs:	2 events presented by Bloomington PD
First Aid:	2 events presented by Anoka PD/Medics Training.
Crime Scene:	2 events presented by Hennepin County Sheriffs Office
White Collar	2 events presented by Champlin PD
Traffic Stop	2 events presented by Plymouth PD
Traffic Accident	2 events presented by MN State Patrol
Domestic	2 events presented by St. Louis County Sheriffs Office
Burglary	2 events presented by Coon Rapids PD & Blaine PD
Crime Prevention	2 events presented by MCPA
Hostage Negotiation	1 event presented by FBI & Burnsville PD

The following had not yet been confirmed:

Search and Arrest – this should be ok

Witness Interview & Interrogation at least one event

Shoot don't Shoot This is not confirmed at this time.

Rochester volunteered to do this.

Role players: We are currently short. Cost is \$75.00 per role player. Please contact Dewey or Troy if you plan on attending. Role Players will be housed at the Kahler Grand.

Board Openings: At the meeting Scheduled for Friday night there will be openings for Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. The Vice Chair is for 6 yrs, both secretary and treasurer are for two years.

Career Fair:

Michelle Stark presented: Career Fair location be at Taylor Arena. It will be on Friday from 1000 – 1800. There are 8 confirmed participants. We had a total of 13 last year and she will recheck with them. Dead line to respond is April 1, 2011.



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Public Safety:

Erika Wallert presented: It will be Saturday from 1000-1800. But there will be other events throughout the conference. Thursday from 1400-1700 will be an obstacle course, possibly two K-9 demos on both Friday and Saturday. State Patrol Helicopter will be there from 1000 -1400. Attending will be Army, Airforce, National Guard, Navy and Marines.

RADIO USE: Info presented by Brugger. Brugger asked if people were interested in using the radios again. One advisor reported a positive experience in using the radios. No other comments. Brugger tabled this topic.

OTHER INFORMATION: Dewey presented. Friday will be Casino night and the Hypnotist Jay Bryan. There will be door prizes at casino night. We are looking for a Pastor that is able to do the Sunday 0700 worship. We will provide the room for them on Saturday evening.

At this time registration is up from last year. So far we have 712 people registered.

This year we will be using the Double Tree, Hilton Garden Inn, Kahler Inn and Suites and lastly the Kahler Grand. There will be no events at the Kahler Grand.

PLEASE BRING DOOR PRIZES FOR SUNDAY MORNING.

Jenny Heddal presented. She requested that everyone get their tour permit in. Also she spoke about the upcoming training scheduled for March 26-27 in Jordan.

Next meeting will be at the conference on Friday April 15, 2011 at 1900 hrs. in the same room as last year at the Double Tree.

Brugger motioned to adjourn at 1258 hrs. Motioned by Maple Grove P.D. and Seconded by Mankato P.D. Meeting adjourned.