



Minnesota Law Enforcement Explorer Association

Wednesday June 11, 2014

Meeting Minutes

Location: Santorini Taverna & Grill

Meeting called to order by Chair Dawanna Witt at 1149 hrs.

Present:

**Chair Dawanna Witt (Dakota County S.O./MLEEA), Vice Chair Ryan Magnuson(Rochester P.D./MLEEA)
Past Chair Scott Kostohryz(Moorhead P.D./MLEEA), Secretary Charles Redmond (MLEEA St. Paul P.D.),
Treasurer DuWayne Dixon (MLEEA), Molly Long (Northern Star Council), Mike Krukowski (MN State
Patrol), Dan Dixon, (MN State Patrol), Brandon Fettig (Blaine P.D.), Glen Hartman (Hudson P.D.) Michelle
Stark, (Oakdale P.D.),
Troy Pepin, (MLEEA).**

Approval of the Agenda:

**Witt requested an approval for the agenda dated June 11, 2014. Motioned to approve the agenda by Blaine
and seconded by State Patrol. AGENDA APPROVED.**

Approval of Minutes:

**Witt requested an approval for the minutes dated April 25, 2014. Motioned to approve the minutes by
Moorhead and seconded by Dakota County S.O. MINUTES APPROVED.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurers' report – Presented by Dixon

**Profit and loss sheets handed out dated from May 1, 2013 through June 10, 2014 and Balance Sheet dated
April 30, 2014.**

**Dixon explained all the financial data on both items handed out. He indicated we are investing soundly at
this time and the investments cover the scholarship fund.**

Motioned to approve the treasurer's report by Rochester and seconded by St. Paul.

TREASURERS' REPORT APPROVED

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. **Dixon stated he would be emailing the scholarship balances to each post.**



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NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **2015 Conference Dates are 4/16/15-4/19/15 - This will be the 40th Anniversary of the conference. The Conference Pin was talked about and it was decided we would order a round pin. We discussed the possibility of ordering a 40th Anniversary Challenge Coin. Dixon was going to look into the cost of these. There was a discussion on how to celebrate the 40th Conference. We discussed the use of the Peace Plaza next to the Khaler Grand on Thursday night, with catering. We also discussed the possibility of using the newly renovated Rochester Bowling Center on Thursday night. The idea of catering pizza at the bowling center was also discussed.**
- b. **Conference Evening Activities - Friday casino night and Saturday night DJ/Dance. We also discussed bringing back the photo wall, which seemed to be a hit in 2014.**
- c. **Advisor Hospitality Night – The hospitality night appeared to be a success in 2014. We discussed the possibility of moving it to a different location in an effort to keep the Advisor event and Explorer events better separated.**
- d. **Academics for 2015 Conference - The following ideas were brought up:**
 1. **Bomb Squad**
 2. **Active Shooter Response**
 3. **Sovereign Citizens**
 4. **Competitive Academic Jeopardy**
- e. **2015 Catering and Meals - We discussed the shortfalls of the company used in 2014. Khaler Grand, Double Tree and Canadian Honker have expressed interest in catering the event. We discussed having the September Association meeting in Rochester. This would allow for each company to provide a taste test for our group. We believed it would be helpful if the Posts who attended brought an Explorer to represent their post in the tasting. Dixon was going to try and arrange to have the tasting on September 10, 2014.**
- f. **Law Enforcement Explorer Academy- April 2015 Jordan, MN. There was a request for help in organizing this event. There is also a need for Posts/Agencies to assist in sponsoring events.**
- g. **Monthly Saturday Trainings – First Saturday of the month October 2014- March 2015. If your post has an interest in sponsoring Saturday training, please contact Molly Long.**
- h. **First Aid Scenario- We discussed the possibility of TEMPO taking over this event in the future.**

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

- a. **2014 Nation Conference July 14-19, 2014 - Good Luck to All Participants**

Next meeting will be September, 2014 in Rochester (Time and Location TBD)

Meeting adjourned at 1348 hrs. Motion to adjourn by Blaine P.D. and Seconded by St. Paul P.D.