



Minnesota Law Enforcement Explorer Association

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Explorer Association
Meeting Minutes
3-14-01

Introduction of attendees.

1. Minutes: copies of minutes from meeting of 12-13-01, were passed around for attendees.
Motion to accept minutes by E. Manthei, 2nd by Dixon, passed.

2. Treasurer's report: Tellers reviewed re-organization of accounts and CD renewal dates.
Recently \$ 1,500 worth of scholarships have been awarded. Initial deposits from this year's conference fees have been deposited.

Checking Account: \$ 7,230.64
Scholarship Account: \$ 4,885.48

Motion to accept report by Cayo, 2nd by Stromberg, passed.

3. Old Business:

a. Evaluator's meeting: Cayo reported positive attitude from evaluators present. Missing was DEA. Discussions included:

Philosophy for level of competition - learning experience and opportunity for mentoring.

Score sheets will be turned in at end of competitions.

Post advisors should alert evaluators if explorers have little or no training in topic so time could be spent teaching topic.

Props/demonstration items - evaluators should limit any brought into the competitions, causes an unfair advantage for other posts.

"Cheat Sheets" - if explorers use questioning or check-off sheets during competitions, points may be taken off, and tie breakers will go to the post that did not use sheets.

Advisors will be allowed to observe evaluation portion of session. It will be up to the evaluators to determine if advisors can observe actual event.

b. Don Cup Applications: two letters were submitted.

Selection panel will be one B.S.A. executive from Viking and Indianhead Councils, Don Peterson, MLEEA Chairperson Labatt.

Discussion on possible extension of deadline for applications. Original date kept.

c. Wristbands: Stromberg had several board members do "trial runs" with bands.

Decision made to go with paper bands in a dark green color. Motion by Stromberg, 2nd by Tellers, passed.

d. Writing pens for conference: C. Manthei able to get a donation through "Absolute Bail Bonding Company". A letter of thanks will be sent.



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- e. Conference Pins: Dixon has already received this year's pins.
- f. Lecture Topics: committee members verifying lecture presenters.
- g. Theme of Conference: "New Times - New Challenges".
- h. Conference Coffee Mugs: Dixon has received this year's order.

4. New Business:

- a. Web Site: Dixon explained options and costs to reserve domain name for web site. Motion to spend \$ 210.00 for 10 years to keep domain was made by Stromberg, 2nd by Cayo, passed.

Dixon explained options and costs for host site of MLEEA's web site. Dixon made Motion to switch to ICOM, \$ 150/1st year and \$100/each year after, 2nd by E. Manthei, passed.

- b. Door Prizes: all present volunteered to seek out door prizes.

c. 2001 MLEEA Conference:

- 1. Conference Committee will arrive on site one day early to prepare for conference registration.
- 2. Outdoor Range Permit: Dixon verified permit has been confirmed.
- 3. Conference "Special Package" Requests: E. Manthei explained all of the "special requests" that have come in so far. Requests ask for varied options in lodging, meals, banquet packages and single day options.

After much discussion, Cayo made a motion that any advisor or explorer attending would pay the \$ 180 conference fee (realistically, very inexpensive for all they get); a VIP (Chief, mayor, etc.) package would be offered for \$90; and the cost for just the banquet is \$ 25; 2nd by Stromberg, passed.

- 4. MLEEA Board Openings: at the annual meeting, Friday night, nominations will be accepted for Vice Chairperson and Treasurer.

Tellers reminded the board that we will need to have an independent audit done on our books after 2001 MLEEA conference.

- 5. Trophies and Certificates: Dixon will take care of orders.
- 6. Range: St. Louis Park post is preparing for operations for shooting competition.



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7. Competition Assignment Board: Several inquiries have been made as to obtaining a computer program for competition assignments. Lowest bid price to date is \$ 5,000. SO, volunteers will be needed on Monday, 23rd, to work on the competition board.

8. Video Production of Conference: Several inquiries have been made as to the cost of making a video production of the conference, to be used for fundraising. Estimates are \$ 2,500 to \$3,000. Board members were suggested to check into any other options that might be available.

9. Competition Safety: Evaluators will not be allowed to have any functioning weapons as props for the competitions. All weapons should be clearly marked as a non-functioning weapon.

Vice Chairperson Johnson ended the meeting stating he is looking forward to the challenges and opportunities of becoming the MLEEA Chairperson for the next term of office. Some of his key issues will be the annual MLEEA conferences, increasing scholarship awards, and researching the possibility of creating a MLEEA foundation.

Next meeting will be the MLEEA Annual Meeting, Friday, April 27th, at Breezy Point Resort.