



Minnesota Law Enforcement Explorer Association

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MLEEA Meeting
December 9, 1998
Minutes Summary

The Minnesota Law Enforcement Explorer's Association board met on December 9, 1998, at Duggan's, in St. Louis Park. Board members and committee chairpersons approved the minutes of the last meeting, it was held on October 14, 1998, at Duggan's. Association treasure, Lynne Tellers was not present to make a report.

Discussion of the 1999 Minnesota Law Enforcement Explorer Conference, at Breezy Point, covered possible limits on the number of attendees. At the 1998 conference we were informed limits maybe required due to the construction at the resort. Due to new resort owners the construction has been delayed until fall of 1999. Last year's conference maximized the available room space. Two local hotels will make rooms available for 1999. Registration for 1999 will follow the same schedule as 1998. Once pre-registratoin is complete the board will be informed if limits will need to be enacted based on initial number of attendees.

Other issues regarding Breezy conference were: suggestions needed for lecture topics (contact any board member with ideas); from now on the topic of "Shoot/Don't Shoot" will now be known as "Street Decisions"; score sheet for practical events will be standardized for all events; in 2000 the conference will be celebrating 25 years - start collecting your favorite photos for future publications; the association approved a maximum of \$1500.00 expense for gifts to advisors attending the 1999 conference.

The 1998 Fall Planner was held at Minnetonka Community Center. 52 explorers attended the planner from both Viking and Indianhead Councils. Evaluations indicated that the speakers were well received. The 1999 Fall Planner will be held on December 5th. Numerous local, state and federal agencies will be attending to inform explorers of hiring standards.

The board is in the process of creating a position on the board for a youth explorer representative. The hope is that this explorer representative and a local chief or police will assist the National Youth Board with promoting local activities and participation at national events. Campaigns will be run during the Breezy conference with elections and results completed before the end of the conference. A committee will develop a list of qualifications for the position, as soon as available the information will be available on the web site.

Committee reports:

1. National Conference: see above information on explorer representative.
2. Newsletter: next issue should be mailed by end of January, and quarterly after that; suggestions for sponsorship of mailing costs, approximately \$300.00 per issue, are being sot.
3. Scholarship: No report
4. Training: no report
5. Web Site: to dated there have been 350 "visitors" there are approximately 1200 links to other law enforcement sites form out site; a presentation on the web site will be conducted at Breezy conference.

The Association is still looking for a logo. At this time designs are being sought from "Set Design". The board is also open to designs from explorers and advisors. Hopefully, we will have several options to vote on at Breezy.

Association congratulations go out to Vice President Steve Labatt; he was elected to the city council of Chanhassen. With his new commitments Steve will be evaluating his participation level with the association.

Board members and committee chairpersons will prepare budgets for 1999; these will be presented at the next board meeting, March 10, 1999 at 11:30 hrs at Park Tavern in St. Louis Park.

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