MACEO Board Meeting – 01/8/2019

Call to order at 10:31 am

Roll Call: Deborah Martinez, Maureen Underhill, Nathan Izydorek, John O’Connor, Mike Johnson, Belinda Kingsley, Jack Skinner, Paul Evans

Approval of November, 2018 board minutes

Move: Belinda Second: Maureen 8- yes, 0- nay

Agenda Items

Old Business

Credit Cards: Paul contacted SEMBOIA and MAP, Wild Apricot was suggested by SEMBOIA as a way to organize members, collect fees, and set up website. There is a lot involved in the application, including website application, membership tracking, mass email, funding collection and tracking. Cost would be around $510 a year. Nathan suggested all board members try the 30 day free trial to get a feel for the website. Each member is to bring any questions they have to the Feb meeting regarding the application and we will discuss it then.

Microphone update: John has nothing new to add from the last meeting. He needs more information on whether we will have a strong use for a portable system. He suggested looking into future possibilities of meeting locations which may not have speaker system setups. A microphone and speaker system should be middle to strong quality for lasting longevity and quality. Middle quality systems will cost about $2000 with one speaker, stand, and microphone set. There was discussion about the equipment being a lot to bring back and forth from meetings. John said he would take on the responsibility of transporting and keeping the equipment. Paul suggested we hold off on discussing the purchase of the equipment until we discuss possible meeting locations in the new business. Topic tabled until we set a meeting schedule.

Scholarship Committee: Scholarship fund topics presented by Paul from the Education Committee. Paul will get back to the committee and let them know the board is in favor of their current direction. He will allow them to proceed further in the work they have already started.

Education Committee: Belinda with the help of Brian and Maureen have secured ICC to discuss the 2012 home and property maintenance code at the March conference. Current budget for hotel, speakers, and member scholarships is $8000. Attendees will be charged $150 to attend the conference. Nonmembers who want to attend, will be charged an addition $60 to attend, which will include a MACEO annual membership. 45 hotel rooms have been blocked for the conference at $75 a night. An estimated 50-60 members are set to attend. Nathan set up the conference evaluation and packets. Hank is printing completion certificates. Maureen will ask the speaker if she would be willing to apply for ACT 54 certification.

Motion to keep the standard fee at $150 a member and $210 with included membership by John. Second by Deborah. 8- yes 0- no

Paul formally appointed Hank Berry and Rami Sweidan to the Education Committee to join Brian, Tyreece, John, and Belinda. Maureen will act as a consultant for the committee.
New Business

Modify number and format of regular meetings: Paul shared the possibility of finding new places for our meetings and changing up the frequency of meetings.

Meeting recess at 11:34 am for lunch.

Reconvened at 1:02 pm

Maureen did not want to move to quarterly meetings unless they were day long. John was concerned about ICC certifications due to lack of instructional time. Paul reminded everyone he wasn’t suggesting we did quarterly meetings just used it as an example. John thought we could do a straw poll amongst our members. Everyone seemed to agree that we could send out a survey to all members to gather input on meeting frequency. John suggested we have an August board meeting because it is needed for setting up the October mini conference. In February, we will do a straw poll and then Belinda will follow up with a survey to members who were not present at the meeting.

Tracking class attendance and credits: Maureen says we have to keep the class credits. Nathan suggested switching to the Wild Apricot should help with tracking the credits.

October Conference – location and training goals: Vista Tech is booked now in order to use it again. Paul proposed that we ask membership where we should have the conference in the same survey that Belinda is creating for the meeting survey. Vista Tech will be RSVP’d by Paul now and if we change our direction, we will cancel it.

Other: Maureen will not be returning to her role as treasurer due to personal and professional workloads. Mike and John are both interested in taking on the roll. Paul will announce it at the next members meeting.

Adjournment: 1:30 pm

Secretary

Nathan Izydorek