

Minutes January 14, 2014 SJMA Meeting



The meeting was called to order by Lenka, filling in for Kathy, at 12:01 p.m. In attendance were Lenka, Valerie, Dan, John Lang, Kathy, Mark, Jessica Short (guest), Rachel, Dhez and Leslie.

The minutes of the December 5, 2014 meeting, prepared by John Lang, were approved as read.

We thanked Claudia for providing today's lunch. Next month Dan will provide lunch.

The Election Results as followed were confirmed by the Board. In addition, Leslie Hallenbeck has been confirmed as Retiree Representative.

- i) President – Lenka Wright
- ii) Vice-President – Rachel VanderVeen
- iii) Secretary – Valerie Osmond
- iv) Past President – Kathy Lang

John Lang will continue on as Treasurer.

In addition, Ernest Azevedo of the CMO has indicated he would like to be on the Board. His confirmation will be delayed until the next board meeting.

John Lang reported there was \$33,312.55 in the bank account. He also said he would provide a demonstration of Wild Apricot demonstration in February. John reported he will book Room 1572 for foreseeable future for our future meetings.

There was no Secretary's report.

There was not a Director of Membership Report but Lenka reported as Director of Communication that she will send out an email about the hockey event. Flyers have gone out.

Rachel will provide a wrap up of the first year of the Retiree Connect pilot project at the next meeting.

The discussion on Bylaws will be continued to the next meeting.

There was discussion about using PayPal for retiree dues and event fees. It will be promoted as an option on the website once the HTML code is added to the SJMA website.

There was discussion as to whether to raise retiree dues since there has not been an increase in several years while event-related costs continue to increase. There are 36-38 retiree members for 2014. The board considered a proposal to increase rates by \$1 per month for an annual retiree membership rate of \$36 per year. This increase still maintains a considerable discount for retiree members in comparison to the rate for a current manager membership. Mark made a motion to accept the proposal. Dan seconded. The board approved the retiree membership increase by a vote of 8-0-1 with Lenka abstaining.

Lenka will follow up with Claudia about sending a letter to retirees to consider renewing their SJMA membership for 2015 as well as informing them about the new membership rate.

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING – FEBRUARY 11, 2015 - 11:45 A.M. (T-1572)

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Rachel gave an update on the Installation Luncheon planning. A Director's Panel was discussed for the February event. Several locations have been scouted but a final location still has to be determined. A date also has to be confirmed. Lenka will touch base with Norberto on his availability for February. The other committee members are John C. and Kathy.

Future events will be discussed at the next meeting.

Mark and Lenka will give a Holiday Party (Past Event) report at our next meeting.

Jessica Short expressed her interest in joining the board. Her appointment to the board will be considered at the February meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:03 p.m.