

8-21-22 State Board Meeting

Sports- Association has waived the participation rule for this year to try and get more lodges/chapters involved.

Please try to promote the tournaments, and participate in the tournament.

Remind the lodges to get the Lifetime Achievement into Sean by Oct 10th.

Sue requested to have a Child ID event and be voted on.

Feedback, we need your feedback good bad or other. We are human, but we will own it and work to correct it.

If the legion ambassadors/secretaries to hang out after for a meeting.

Phil stated that as we move through these chairs, so things get lost in the transitions, please remind us if you feel we have forgotten something.

Dale Johnson Sr stated that some lodges share information with the Pres/Admin and they decide what to share with the members.

Bill Daniels spoke about orientation. With all of these delinquent members, they have no clue what they joined.

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Other:

1. International convention June 20-23, 2023. Dec 12th.
2. We need to get all lodges, chapters, moose legions, Higher Degree units involved in fund raising for the "AAA" commitment (\$100,000).
3. Need approval for the Judy Zender donation. Dave Montgomery/Lee Greenhill Approved.
4. Need approval for the allocation of the funds from "Rev-it-up". Explained that State Moose Riders will be taking it over from Wertz Warriors. Funds will be dedicated to Michigan Chad/Bob Funkey Approved

HOC:

1. What are the lodges doing in their community?

- a. Make sure all lodges have the proper dispensations that are required (OTP)
2. “Tommy Moose” – Have you checked back to see if they need more?
 - a. You might want to include nursing homes as possible donations of “Tommy Moose”
3. Sean read report from Sue.

Convention/Mid-Year Conference: (Needs to be FUN, FUN, FUN!)

1. What workshops would you like to see happen?
2. Presenters need to know their subject, don't read, use visual aids, move around the room.
3. Meeting discussing why they should belong to WOTM and Legion
4. Looking at Mid-Year Friday night fun night. Maybe Golden Ball. Working with family activities, legion, and maybe Past DG.
5. Moving memorial service and drawing back to the hotel.
6. Price increase on the rooms.
7. Training prior to Conference. Removing those untrained.
8. Moose Legion meeting and event.

Line item for sending the Chapter Advocate to attend the annual conference. Instead of sending her to meetings, she asks for Gift Cards to present to the students. Joe recommended a budget of \$1,000 for Kathy/Dale Johnson. Approved

Phil Stachlewitz/ Jim Sedlar for \$2,225 for 300 tigers tickets.

Dale Stillwel spoke on raffle tickets. Hope the \$100 are going well. Bob is working hard on the Calendar tickets. This weekend we are handing out the \$1,000 raffle tickets, which is a fund raiser to help with expenses for the COB. The \$1,000 drawing will be in July at the State board meeting.

Moose Charities:

1. All lodges, chapters, moose legions, council's need to be helping association with the \$100,000 commitment.
 - a. On memo line put Michigan Moose Association capital project “AAA”.

- b. Do fund raising projects, don't just take out of general fund.
- c. Cradle fund submission
- d. Can we have a recognition program for those that donate to the fund.

Received a question from John Rogers about the flooring at Michigan House.

\$100 to gin Theresa/Phil

Membership:

1. All lodges, chapters, and moose legions need to be working retention.
 - a. State board members should be helping their own lodge if nothing else.

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Joe discussed that for future mid year conference that we have a theme. Looking for ideas and themes. We want to bring fun into the conference and some comfort. In favor!

Raising the registration fee for Annual and Mid year going from \$10 to \$25. Registration to \$25 motion by approved. A question was posed as to where the assoc is financially. Sean reported that the checking

Raising on site registration to \$50 Dave Montgomery and second by Cerie Pabon. Approved

Instill in Aug for the new rate Theresa and second Tim Tobey. Approved

Discussion was held on memorial service, regalia, and themes.

At the lodge tonight, we need members to get out of the tent after the ceremony so they can reset.

Workshops, we need to be there. Lodge members don't see us there, why should they be there.

International convention rooms. If you blocked off rooms and don't need them, please check in with Sean. Don't cancel them if you are at the main hotel.

Cash bash- Please mail them in early so we can get the raffle started on time without stress. We will be handing out the \$100 tickets for Aug this weekend. Current calendar credit will end on March 31st.

RSVP- Please RSVP for classes and workshops.

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Motion to give up to \$2,000 to the Grand Regent celebration. Discussion over a couple of the expenses that would not be covered such as the liquor insurance and bartender fee. Receipts must be turned in for repayment from Assoc. Kathy Thomas/Tim Tobey

Motion to purchase a new laptop and printer for the Registration committee. Joyce has been using the computer that she inherited from Mac. Motion up to \$1500 Cheryl Kennedy/Karen Dotson

Motion to purchase \$100 gift card for O.V. thank you gift. Dave/Cheryl Kennedy

BBQ lunch at the Michigan House on Graduation weekend. Up to \$2,000 Al/Scott

Website- Sean Smith announced that he needs help with the MMA Website. It needs updating of information and maybe layout.

Gary thanked everyone for a good conference. Reminded the DP's that we need you at functions. How can we tell members that they should be at the meetings, and then the Dp's not there?

The \$100 raffle will be inside the lodge at 12:30 pm.

Rooker commented that the Saturday dinner was cold. Several people commented on the dinner. Game night Friday was good. Workshops were also informative. Need more microphones wandering around.

Memorial- names need to be turned into the lodge of members that are deceased. We took the report from Moose Intl, we can't just add names without verification of degree and that they passed. We need to keep the bar closed in the tent until after the memorial ceremony.

Time limit Saturday, we will have to re-evaluate that program. Sorry to the speakers that were rushed or didn't get a chance to speak at all.

Child ID Kits, need to get a State inventory so that lodges can help each other out with events and share their systems. *Possible Community Day

Sports table- need to make sure it is manned to answer questions. Look into a tv with slides to catch attention. Please take photos of your sports events and send them to John and John. The table looked good, need to hang the banner so people can see it.

Attendance & Penalties for not attending. The minutes will show who was not present. We need these numbers for the 100,000 check-in rewards. There was much talk about penalties.

DP's would like to face the audience in the Saulte.

Discussion on the door reader grant. Time is limited and you must go through one of M.I. companies for instant approval, or you will have some hurdles if you go through a local company.

A discussion was held on district minutes. Please remit to the state secretary your District minutes, the assoc form that was handed out for attendance and finance report, and lodge reports. Lodge reports should be one page. Sean will send out the one page again. A discussion was also held on district accounts. A request was made for Sean to send each district a report each month and Jim O'Connor reminded that Sean is not a bank, each district should be tracking its own finances.

Gary asked the districts to set some goals. Hard to know where you're going unless you pick a destination. Membership, donations, activities....

Promote: we need to promote International and Association programs and sports.

Association goals: Cant express the urgency of the last 50 days and our membership renewals. Please work on retention, it should be easier to work on retention than recruiting new members. Send email reminders, they are fairly simple to pull an email list and send a letter by email. Work your dropped members the same way, and you can earn recruiting credits. District meeting lists, have a few members call with reminders at district meetings.

Raffle tickets- all have been distributed for the fall \$100. Also, have the \$1,000 tickets available.

Top Association- We are currently at 41st for Charities, Legion 33-34th, and WOTM 936 members.

Online Calendar, Sean will send out the link again to the State Board.

Training next year, we will not be holding the MLEC or the Leadership due to a lack of attendance.

A discussion was held over the officer training and removal of officers that refuse to take the training. The lodge can declare the office vacant if a board member doesn't take the training. IF you have an officer that isn't trained, your lodge will lose the \$.50 per member credit on your per capita. We will look at posting the training report online so members can check and see if their lodge officers are trained.

DP's request for information on lodges coming and going.

Rebate form for Calendar promotion. Gary apologized on behalf of the Assoc that we didn't send out the rebate announcement to the lodge.

District 17 hasn't submitted funds to the Assoc in 6 months. AI will look into it.

Note: 60 members attended the Sunday raffle at the lodge.

State Board Meeting July 15th, 2023

Kathy Thomas reported on the calendar raffle books. She is distributing them to the District Presidents of the new districts. Dist 9, 12, 18 no August meeting. Handed out the incentive sheets for the sales incentives. We have released them early so that they can be sold at Golf outings, fairs, picnics. Thanks to Bob Kenworthy for all his years of service. Do not wait until you sell them all to send them in. Request if you would put in numeric order.

\$100 tickets, if they are sold, please get them in. We have people looking for some and need to know where we stand. Please put the ticket numbers on the check.

Karolee spoke on the Banks. The committee is asking for lodges to take a collection and send a check for the funds to the Association to submit to the AAA fund. Each bank will cost \$5 above the one for each lodge.

Roger Wallaert spoke on membership. Margaritaville for the 25 club party. Invitations will be going out next week. 1 item membership promotion coming soon. We need to lead by example to encourage the lodges to hold a promotion. On lodge reports, we are looking what they are doing on the lodge level. Proud past, bright future. We are still seeing the old promotions up in the lodges. We need our district presidents to stop into their lodges and see what is on the boards. Looking into a 25 club shirt. Would like to reliable the Assoc Trailer that says Golf on it now.

Membership retention- instead of working on it at the end of the year, we would like to do a contest quarterly. We are way down at the moment. Need to work on communication with lodges and staff for promotions and retention.

We gave away 950 lap blankets for last year. The cooling towels, we have given 147 already this year. Lodge directory cards are out. Question if we can recognize those lodges that went above and beyond for the year, before August. Can we post on the website and facebook.

Working on the goal busters, for a clock.

Tigers tickets, they will be through your email and on your phone.

HOC report- Cop in the Box presentation at the Sault. Still working on the Child ID event at the Sault. May be able to use lodges systems if they can bring.

Convention agenda for the convention was reviewed.

Training- Bob would like to hold a lodge leadership class if there is enough interest. If we think we would like to see them go to the class, let Bob know. If your officers refuse to go to a training, then you are to remove the officers from office until they attend.

Gary just spoke on the results from Association ratings. District Presidents, we need your help with all lodge +1. Moose Charities donations, we are helping with the piggy banks. Moose legions- how can we help get more members. Chapters-how can we help you get more chapter members. More premier Lodge award winners.

We need your help for coming up with fund raising ideas for the party for the Chairman of the Board. Can the units make donations.

More lodges +1 we had 64
Premier Lodge 30 out of 80 this year
More Presidents and Administrators Leadership award
Chapters & Legions at a plus 1
Retention at 82% at year end
More lodges with 4 Superiors
More \$ given to Moose Charities. We have lodges with over 1500 members and donated less than \$500.

August 16th State Board meeting

March's Chairman of the Board visit. Looking for lodges that would like to be a host lodge for the visits. This means planing a meal, presentations, community service activity. Association will help plan it to ensure success for your lodge.

District & State Board resumes needed for each chairman and signed brochures.

Lifetime achievement nominations dues to Assoc Secretary Sean Smith by Oct 15th. Use the form and follow the rules to fill it out.

Taylor Lodge requested a \$35,000 to pay rent on second building while they work to get the value of the property taken by eminent domain by the city. Then will pay back the loan with the funds. Motion by Dave Montgomery/Jim Sedlar to approve once the correct forms are submitted.

Bank program. Please place the Heart of the Community banks out to collect donations and submit the funds by check to Assoc Secretary or Treasurer at the Convention or Mid-Year.