

MICL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
Sept. 13, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 3:32 p.m.

Present:

Annette Olsen-President
Bruce Clifton-President Elect
Debi Jackson-Secretary
Dorothy Ford-Treasurer
David Froba-Curriculum
Ron Rutschman-Membership
Roger Jackson-Field Trips
Open Position-Facilities
Johnnie Williams-Communication
Betty Stewart-Publicity
Diana Sicard-Immediate Past President

Guests- Bruce Gallmeyer
John Stott

Absent: Maureen Fuertes-Hospitality (could not connect)

Minutes for the July 31 2023 meeting were reviewed. One revision requested. Motion to accept by Betty Stewart, seconded by Bruce Clifton. Minutes are approved, and will be filed and posted.

Treasurer's Report-Dorothy Ford shared Financial report dated Sept. 12, 2023. She shared that she and Annette would be meeting with Emily on Sept. 21st about the Foundation. Scholarships will be followed up on.

Curriculum-Dave Froba shared that attendance is good. He mentioned that some members had expressed that they would prefer to have fewer classes be Wondrium videos. Dorothy Ford agreed that she would like to see a return to more members and local speakers, as in the past. Roger mentioned that PowerPoint is not required to present classes and that we just need to give members support to make them comfortable enough to present.

Dave stated that they have more than enough classes for Spring semester. Jim Pack will do a Philosophy class.

Membership- Ron shared that we have 129 members, only 3 without emails for communications. This is up from last semester, but still not where we were pre-pandemic. Dave stated that although we have fewer members, more are attending classes. Dorothy Winke will be sending cards and catalogs to pre-pandemic members to encourage them to return.

Ron is getting the nametags done and will make mailing labels for Dorothy Winke.

Communications- Johnnie reported that she is posting the Weekly Updates on Friday mornings and posting any revisions and other postings as soon as possible.

Publicity- Betty shared that she will be presenting to the Stanislaus Commission on Aging on December 11th. She is trying to set up a presentation every 2 months. She is working with The Stanislaus Magazine, which requires a lot of lead time prior to printing.

Betty would like to include a short 10 minute video with music and motion, showing MICL in action (testimonials-"What does MICL do for me"), to better engage her audiences in encouraging them to join MICL. Bruce G. mentioned that Rita Matthews did a MICL Promotion video in the 1990's that is posted on the website, for reference. Dave will ask Richard Anderson to assist and Bruce Gallmeyer will also be available.

Field Trips- Roger reported that we are set for 33 members to attend this Friday's trip to San Luis Reservoir and Double T Ranch, leaving at 8:00. Oct 20th trip to Sacramento River Cruise has 27 attending.

December 1st trip information flier will be released this week. Trip is to the Napoli Culinary Institute and Crocker Art Museum in Sacramento. It includes lunch. Only 26 slots available.

Roger was informed today that the MJC Board was meeting today and that it may lead to transportation cuts, which would affect us.

Hospitality- Maureen is reminding members to bring snacks to share.

Facilities- New member, Dan Gorman, will be approached to see if he would fill this open position.

Past President-Diana Sicard asked for input as to how we want the new and improved Sneaker Awards to look-acrylic, update of sneaker design, or total re-creation. We need to give input prior to her proceeding on this.

President Elect- Bruce Clifton shared the Event Schedule for the year.

The date for the Annual Luncheon will be May 7, 2024 at the Mary Stuart Rogers Building on campus (near the cafeteria). The room has double projection screens, no charge for the room, and table and chair setup-8 per table. Capacity is 75 to 100 people.

Bruce is seeking a caterer and asked if anyone knew about Rachel's Kitchen.

Old Business- Bruce Gallmeyer reported that the office computers have been backed up so that the college can do updates (date needs to be scheduled). He reminded everyone to always do their own backup when using the office computers.

A good quality camera was purchased for MICL a while back to film classes and post on the website. We cannot post any copyrighted material, such as Wondrium or Great Decision video classes. No one is trained to film. Not sure what we should be filming (used to do Climate Change and Health classes). We need someone to oversee the videotaping. Bruce G. will attend a Curriculum meeting to discuss further.

Bruce G. will check our YouTube channel to check for how many views we have gotten on past videos.

Bruce G. mentioned that we also will need to purchase a good quality tripod for future filming.

The YouTube subscription is working well to avoid advertisements during class presentations.

Jeff Swank from MJC Technology said we need to replace equipment in order for our microphone system to run efficiently. He is getting a bid for us.

Richard Cato turned in 3 Great Decision textbooks and the remaining money collected. Dave Froba will talk with Richard Cato about his upcoming class and include Dorothy Ford concerning the ordering of books and collecting of money.

Door Signage is being worked on.

AED equipment has not been installed yet. Although the training took place, the participants were not necessarily CPR certified, which is a prerequisite for the class. Therefore, we are not properly prepared, which may be why the equipment has not been installed. At this time, should an incident occur, we would call 911.

There was ice cream left over from the Ice Cream Social, so it will be served at the next potluck luncheon.

MJC gave us a printer which is not effective. Jeff Swank has been asked to find out if we can purchase a new printer which would be password protected and can connect to the internet so that we can make the copies we need in order to properly run MICL.

Adjourned at 4:33 p.m.-Dave Froba made motion, Roger Jackson seconded.

