



Michigan Chapter

Executive Council Virtual Meeting

Tuesday, April 14, 2026

MINUTES

(“Action” Items are in red *italics*)

10:04 a.m. called to order by Zachary Curtis, Chapter President

Roll Call:

Officers Present:

Zachary Curtis	President
Adam Reimer	President-elect
Katie Droscha	Vice President
Daniel Kesselring	Secretary
Dan Busby	Region 1 Director
Mila Resetar	Region 2 Director
Steve Schaub	State-wide At Large Director

7 Officers present – quorum achieved)

Officers Absent

Sarah Zeiler	Past President
Kelly Goward	Treasurer
Sherman Reed	Region 3 Director

Others Present: Gerald Miller, Chair, Professional Development Committee

Agenda: Chapter President Curtis asked if there were any additions or corrections to the agenda as presented. Moved by Katie Droscha, supported by Mila Resetar, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed by voice vote.

3/10/2026 Meeting Minutes: Minutes from the previous Executive Council meeting were appended to the agenda. Moved by Katie Droscha, supported by Mila Resetar, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed by voice vote.

Motions approved by email prior to this meeting: None

Treasurer's Report: Kelly Goward, Treasurer, submitted a draft report by email, but was unable to attend. *Consensus was to table the report until the next meeting, or until discussed by email.*

Disbursements Needing Approval: Kelly Goward, Chapter Treasurer, had asked by email to have an Executive Council decision on actions required for two Chase Bank Certificates of Deposit, one maturing on April 30, 2026, and the other maturing on May 15, 2026. She is suggesting combining the two in order to reduce trips to the bank. The two CD balances currently are \$2038 for the 4/30/26 maturing CD, and \$4057 for the 5/15/26 maturing CD. Dan Kesselring had suggested that excess funds currently in the Chase checking account be added to create a \$9000 CD. Kelly Goward had recommended a 2 month CD that had the current highest interest rate. Moved by Steve Schaub,

supported by Adam Reimer, to approve merging the two CDs into a new 2 month Chase CD on 5/15/26 or as soon as possible thereafter. Motion passed by voice vote.

Then Daniel Kesselring moved to supplement the previous motion that the 4/30/26 CD be transferred to the checking account upon maturity, and then when the 5/15/26 CD matures that it and sufficient funds from the checking account be used to create a \$9000 2 month Chase Bank CD. Motion supported by Steve Schaub. Motion passed by voice vote.

New Business:

SWCS Annual Conference Chapter Delegate appointment: The Chapter Work Plan calls for appointment of a Chapter Delegate and Alternate for the House of Delegates meeting to be held during this summer's SWCS Annual Conference. The Chapter Budget has \$500 designated to support a Chapter Delegate this year. Chapter member Zouheir Massri has been Chapter Delegate for several years and has requested financial support for the position this year. However, Chapter President-elect Adam Reimer will also be attending the Summer Conference this year, and has not served as Chapter Delegate before. Adam is also a member of the National Wildlife Federation and said that his attendance is being supported by that organization, so he wouldn't need our support.

Following discussion Steve Schaub moved that Adam Reimer be appointed Chapter delegate and Zouheir Massri be appointed Alternate Delegate, and that the \$500 support decision be delayed for now. Zouheir had received SARE support last year. Motion supported by Katie Droscha. Motion passed by voice vote.

Old Business: None presented.

Work Plan Reminders: Work Plan items were appended to the agenda.

Committee Reports:

Professional Development: Gerald Miller, Chair, reported that thank you letters had been sent to all presenters. Katie Droscha reported that pdf copies of all but one of the presentation PowerPoints had been uploaded to Google docs.

Concerning possible future events during the summer or fall season, it is suggested that the Chapter consider partnering with another event, as was done in 2025. Steve Schaub suggested partnering with an event now scheduled for September 3. *He will check on this event and get back to us by email.*

Membership and Outreach:

Membership and Outreach: Membership currently stands at 52.

Newsletter: Zachary Curtis reported that the newsletter is pending.

Legislative: Gerald Miller submitted a report by email and briefly reviewed State and Federal actions.

Committee Assignments Review: The Committee listing was **updated 3/5/26** and is available on our Website at

<https://www.migswcs.org/app/download/7124127463/2025+Executive+Council+and+Committees.pdf>

Open Discussion: Dan Kesselring commented that in the past he had been updating a Chapter membership list on a monthly basis, but had been negligent at this over the past year. Because this is a time consuming process he will no longer be doing this. As an alternative, he suggested that all officers

should have a login to the Society website, if they don't have one already, and that officers can now access the Society's new membership list at any time.

Next Executive Council Meeting: 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 12, 2026.

Adjournment: Having no further business to be discussed, President Curtis adjourned the meeting at 11:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel F. Kesselring, Secretary