Michigan Chapter

Executive Council Teleconference
Friday, August 7, 2020

MINUTES

(“Action” Items are in red italics)

Call to Order: 10:02 a.m. by President Tim Harrigan

Roll Call:

Present:  
  - Tim Harrigan  President
  - Glenn O'Neil  President-elect
  - Katie Droscha  Vice President
  - John Freeland  Past President
  - Dan Kesselring  Secretary
  - Kelly Goward  Treasurer
  - Rebecca Bender  Region 1 Director
  - Zachary Curtis  Region 2 Director
  - Gerald Miller  Region 3 Director

(9 present – quorum achieved)

Excused:  
  - Dan Busby  At Large Director

Absent:  
  - None

Others:  
  - Jon Bartholic

Agenda:  
  Tim asked if there were any additions or corrections to the agenda as presented. Hearing none, Tim declared the agenda approved.

7/10/20 Minutes:  
The minutes of the previous teleconference were appended to the agenda. Glenn moved to approve the minutes as presented. Gerald supported the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.

Treasurer’s Report:  
Kelly had submitted the Treasurer's Report by email. The balances are: General Fund $4,733.21; and Scholarship Fund $16,005.20. Moved by John., supported by Glenn?, to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Motion passed by voice vote.

Disbursements:  
None presented.

Motions approved by email prior to this teleconference:  
None

New Business:

EC Change to Video Conferencing:  
Kelly has suggested that the Executive Council teleconference be moved to a video conference format which would actually reduce the cost of the conferences. Then the video conferencing subscription could also be used for the Annual Meeting and any other activities requiring conferencing. Moved by Jerry, supported by Katie, to move Executive Council monthly conferences from telephone to internet through Zoom, and buy
the Zoom subscription at the Annual Fee of $149.90 ($12.49 per month). Motion passed by voice vote. Kelly will get the subscription set up.

Old Business:

River Raisin Watershed Project Proposal: Katie reported on progress planning the summer virtual educational session concerning activities in the Raisin River Watershed Project. Glenn will follow up with Elana about the video.

MiSWCS Annual Meeting: Katie reported on planning progress concerning the technical session planned to follow-up on the Annual Meeting on October 27.

Nominations Committee appointment progress: Rebecca reported on progress in finding a Chapter member to represent Region 1 on the Nominations Committee.

Committee Reports:

Professional Development:

MACD Summer Conference: Gerald reminded that the webinars from the MACD virtual Summer Conference were still available on-line at https://www.macd.org/summer-conference

Maple River Watershed RCPP: Katie and Glenn reported on their progress in getting a video on the Project to be posted on-line. This will help carry out the Chapter's in-kind commitment to the project.

Systems based planning: Zach reported that a pdf supporting this effort has been prepared. He will email the pdf to us.

ANR Seminar: Tim reported that the 2021 Seminar Committee has been formed, and requested that this item be included in future EC conference agendas.

Membership and Outreach: Rebecca reported.

Newsletter: John reported that he has items ready for the newsletter and will be working with Rebecca to get it published soon.

Membership Status: Currently 53 members.

Legislative: Gerald reported that the Michigan Revenue Coordinating Committee will be meeting on August 18 to consider State budget adjustments for 2020 and 2021.

Work Plan Update: The Work Plan Items for August, and the remainders from previous months were appended to the agenda.

Member Comments: None.

Next Teleconference: Next teleconference is September 4, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel F. Kesselring, Secretary