



# Michigan Chapter

## Executive Council Zoom Conference

Friday, May 7, 2021

### MINUTES

(“Action” Items are in red *italics*)

**Call to Order:** 10:01 a.m. by President Glenn O'Neil

#### Roll Call:

<b>Officers Present:</b>	Glenn O'Neil	President
	Katie Droscha	Vice President
	Tim Harrigan	Past President
	Kelly Goward	Treasurer
	Dan Kesselring	Secretary
	Rebecca Bender	Region 1 Director (Arrived 10:43 a.m.)
	Zachary Curtis	Region 2 Director
	Gerald Miller	Region 3 Director
	Dan Busby	At Large Director
	<b>(9 Officers present – quorum achieved)</b>	

**Others Present:** Jon Bartholic, Systems Based Planning Committee member

**Officers Absent:** Shelby Burlew President-elect

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

**4/2/2021 Minutes:** The minutes of the previous conference were appended to the agenda. Gerald Miller moved to approve the minutes as presented. Rebecca Bender supported the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.

**Treasurer's Report:** Kelly Goward had submitted the Treasurer's Report by email. The balances are: General Fund \$5325.28; and Scholarship Fund \$16,931.53. Moved by Dan Busby, supported by Gerald Miller, to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Motion passed by voice vote.

**Disbursements:** None presented for approval.

**Motions approved by email prior to this teleconference:** None.

#### New Business:

**Marshall Community Credit Union 12 Month CD:** Kelly requested a decision concerning the MCCU 12 Month CD that is up for renewal on June 6. Dan K. said interest rates for 12 month and 60 month CDs were 0.2% and 0.4%. After discussion, Dan Busby moved to close out the 12 month CD on June 6, and then transfer \$4000 to the Vanguard Mutual Fund. Gerald Miller supported the motion. Motion passed by voice vote. *Dan will notify the Credit Union and Kelly will make arrangements to transfer \$4000 to Vanguard Mutual Funds.*

**Maple River RCPP Deliverables question:** Jon Bartholic and Zachary Curtis reported that the Chapter was up to date on in kind deliverables, and a tour is being considered for 2022.

**Environmental Law and Policy Center inquiry:** President O'Neil reported that the Chapter had received a request from the Center for support for a proposal to designate certain Upper Peninsula land areas as Federal Wilderness Areas. After brief discussion and questions, *Glenn said he would email more information.*

**Old Business:** None brought forward.

**Committee Reports:**

**Strategic Planning Ad Hoc:** Glenn reported that the committee has developed a survey for Chapter leaders, and has determined who would be included in the definition of "Chapter Leaders." *Glenn will be emailing the survey to current officers and some former officers soon.* The Committee will meet again mid-May.

**Professional Development:** Jerry Miller, Chair

**ANR Webinar Feedback:** Kelly reported that she did not get much feedback from either her initial request nor from her follow-up email. She said what she did get was mostly positive.

**MACD Summer Conference MiSWCS sponsored breakout:** Katie reported that the MiSWCS virtual session on Climate Change is now scheduled for the Conference.

**Systems Based Planning:** Jon Bartholic reported that they are still meeting almost weekly, and that Katie is now included in the meetings, along with Zachary Curtis.

**Future Events questions:** Jerry again asked for suggestions for future professional development sessions, including webinars. *Jerry will submit a brief article, asking for Chapter members suggestions, for the next newsletter.*

**Membership and Outreach:**

**Newsletter:** *Articles for the Spring newsletter are due by mid-May.*

**Membership Status:** Currently 52 members.

**Legislative:** Jerry reported.

**Work Plan Update:** Items for May were appended to the agenda.

**Next EC Conference:** Next EC conference is 10:00 a.m. Friday, June 4, 2021.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel F. Kesselring, Secretary