



Michigan Chapter

Executive Council Zoom Conference

Friday, March 4, 2022

MINUTES

(“Action” Items are in red *italics*)

Call to Order: 10:02 a.m. by Katie Droscha, President-elect

Roll Call:

Officers Present:	Katie Droscha	President-elect
	Gerald Miller	Vice President
	Glenn O'Neil	Past President
	Dan Kesselring	Secretary
	Zachary Curtis	Region 2 Director
	Gary Boersen	Region 3 Director
	Steve Schaub	At Large Director
	(7 Officers present – quorum achieved)	

Others Present: Jon Bartholic, Former Past President

Officers Absent:	Kelly Goward	Treasurer
	Dan Busby	Region 1 Director
	Shelby Burlew	President

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

02/04/2022 Minutes: The minutes of the previous conference were appended to the agenda. Steve Schaub moved to approve the minutes as presented. Gerald Miller supported the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: Kelly Goward had submitted the Treasurer's Report by email. The balances were: General Fund \$5198.59; and Scholarship Fund \$17,030.13. Moved by Dan Kesselring, supported by Glenn O'Neil, to approve the monthly Treasurer's Report as submitted. Motion passed by voice vote.

Disbursements Needing Approval: None presented.

Motions approved by email prior to this teleconference: 02/07/22 - Dan Kesselring moved: Any organization that sponsors our 2022 Seminar at the Gold level shall be allowed to place an exhibit (maximum space 4 ft. by 8 ft.) at our Seminar as long as the message is consistent with our Chapter mission. In addition, the display shall be located in the back of the Seminar meeting room. This motion applies only to the March 11, 2022, Seminar.

Motion supported by Steve Schaub. Votes: Dan Kesselring – aye; Steve Schaub – aye; Gerald Miller – aye; Kelly Goward – aye; Dan Busby – aye; Gary Boersen – aye; Glenn O'Neil – aye; Zachary Curtis – aye; Katie Droscha – aye. 2/11/22: Motion declared passed by President Shelby Burlew.

New Business:

SWCS Leadership Training Webinar discussion: Gary, Glenn, Steve, Dan K. and new member Kyle Hildebrandt attended. Comments were that the webinar was well done, was informative and that new tools are now available for Chapters on the International website.

Old Business:

Membership Flier update: Dan Kesselring reported that Kelly had placed a draft of updates on the Chapter Google Drive, but had not completed an update yet. Kelly was unable to be present today.

IRS Name Error Status: Dan Kesselring reported that he had not received a response from IRS yet. This item will be moved off the regular agenda for now.

Membership and Outreach Committee Chair: Glenn O'Neil volunteered to chair the Membership and Outreach Committee.

Committee Reports:

Strategic Planning Ad Hoc: Glenn reported that because of time demands of the upcoming Seminar, Committee members had not been available for a meeting. Activities will resume after the Seminar.

Professional Development: Gerald Miller, Chair

Systems Based Planning: Zachary Curtis gave a brief update of ongoing Committee activities.

2022 ANR Seminar:

Miller reported that programming and logistics were set to go. The Planning Committee had a final meeting Thursday, February 24, and made the decision to proceed with an in-person event rather than resort to webinar since the COVID Omicron infection rate was receding, and CDC had revised their recommendations.

Dan K. reported that registration was still low compared to previous in-person events. There are 2 gold level sponsors, Michigan Farm Bureau and MAEAP, and 2 silver level sponsors, The Nature Conservancy and Tuscola Conservation District.

A Seminar day task list has been prepared. Dan K. will forward a copy to the Executive Council.

Future Webinar Sessions: Gerald reported that there are no new activities currently being planned, but the committee will start discussions on our partnership with MACD on the Summer Conference scheduled for June 6 and 7 after the Seminar is over.

Membership and Outreach:

Newsletter: No decision has been made yet on an editor for the newsletter, and what the newsletter should be in the near future.

Membership Status: Currently 56 members.

Legislative: Miller reported on Federal and State on-going legislative activities of interest to us.

Committee Assignments Review: Katie noted that the Committee listing was updated 1/30/22 and encouraged officers to check it out on our Michigan Chapter SWCS [Google Drive](#) and on our Website at <https://www.miglswcs.org/app/download/7124127463/Executive+Council+and+Committees.pdf>

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

Next EC Conference: Next EC conference is 10:00 a.m. Friday, April 1, 2022.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel F. Kesselring, Secretary