

Michigan Chapter

Executive Council Virtual Meeting

Thursday, February 11, 2025

MINUTES

("Action" Items are in red *italics*)

Call to Order: At 12:01 p.m. by Sarah Zeiler, President

Roll Call:

Officers Present: Sarah Zeiler President

Zachary Curtis President-elect
Steve Schaub Past President
Katie Droscha Vice President
Kelly Goward Treasurer
Daniel Kesselring Secretary

Dan Busby Region 1 Director Mila Resetar Region 2 Director

8 Officers present – quorum achieved)

Others Present: Gerald Miller Professional Development Chair

Tess Van Gorder Legislative Committee Member

Officers Absent: Gary Boersen Region 3 Director

Heather Varboncoeur State-wide At Large Director

Agenda: President Zeiler asked if there were any additions or corrections to the agenda as presented. Moved by Steve Schaub, supported by Dan Busby, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed by voice vote.

01/09/2025 Meeting Minutes: Minutes from the previous Executive Council meeting were appended to the agenda. Moved by Steve Schaub, supported by Zachary Curtis, 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 submitted the January Treasurer's Report by email. The reported balances as of 1/31/25 were: General Fund \$8,070.24; and Scholarship Fund \$17,698.45. Moved by Katie Droscha, supported by Dan Busby, to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed by voice vote.

Disbursements Needing Approval: None

New Business:

None presented today.

Old Business:

Strategic Plan Status: Katie Droscha reported that the reason for her original request to have this on the agenda was that the current items planned have been accomplished, so some of the action items might need to be updated. After discussion it was decided to leave the plan as is and consider the plan as reflecting the continuation of items accomplished, and to notify the membership on progress implementing the plan.

Work Plan Reminders: Work Plan Items for February, and remaining items from prior months, were appended to the agenda. Dan Kesselring reported that he and President Zeiler have been discussing some changes.

Committee Reports:

Professional Development: Gerald Miller, Chair.

ANR Seminar: Miller reported on progress with sponsors, program updates and speaker bios and abstracts. He stated that the registration materials are now on the website and encouraged all to register. Kelly Goward reported on facility arrangements. *Dan Busby volunteered to handle speaker gifts*.

Hoosier Chapter Joint Workshop inquiry: Miller reported that he had a response from Scott Wagner, Hoosier Chapter, and they will be having further discussions on the potential for a joint tour.

Legislative:

Federal Farm Bill. Gerald Miller reported that Federal and State legislation is all pending.

Membership and Outreach:

Membership: Membership currently stands at 53.

Policy: No Report.Scholarship: No report.

Committee Assignments Review: The Committee listing was updated 1/30/25 and is available on our

Website at

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

Open Discussion: None.

Next Executive Council Meeting: 12:00 p.m. Friday, March 14, 2025.

Adjournment: Moved by Dan Busby, supported by Katie Droscha, to adjourn the meeting. President Sarah Zeiler adjourned the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel F. Kesselring, Secretary