

**Metro Area Mayors' Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**January 19, 2017**

Present: Tammy DeSautel, Rikki Trageton, Kandy Jenkins, Steve Pederson, Jerry Christiansen, Robert Anderson, Lenore King, Ronda Blake, Keith Bjornson, Sherry Bjornson

1) Rikki Trageton called the meeting to order.

2) There was an introduction of member and guests.

3) The agenda was reviewed. Keith Bjornson added an agenda item under new business. Jerry Christiansen made a motion to approve the agenda, Tammy DeSautel seconded. Motion carried.

4) **Treasure's report** - Steve Pederson provided the report, please see attachment. Keith Bjornson made a motion to approve the treasure's report, Robert Anderson seconded. Motion carried.

5) **Review of Sub Committee reports** -

a) Grace Tveiten Grant Report; There are no active applications at this time. The most recent grant funded was for a bike costing \$429.00. The committee received three thank you notes from grant recipients, they were shared at the meeting. The subcommittee is going to discuss setting guidelines for awarding grants. They will bring recommendations to the general committee at the next meeting.

6) **Awards Banquet** - There will be an open meeting on Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup> over the noon hour to discuss and make plans for the MAMC Awards banquet. The meeting will be held at Job Service, 1350 32<sup>nd</sup> St S in Fargo. Please bring your own lunch.

7) **New Business** - Keith Bjornson talked about recent access ability issues within the Fargo area. The primary area of interest is the newly renovated Bison Sports Arena. He has talked with the EEOC at NDSU and the Dept. of Justice regarding his concerns. Keith also talked about concerns with the handicapped parking in Fargo and the fact that Fargo PD is not ticketing parking offenders due to improper marking of the parking spots. If you would like to visit more with Keith regarding the parking concerns, please email him at [kbjornson51@gmail.com](mailto:kbjornson51@gmail.com).

Steve Pederson reminded members that they need to receive prior approval before attending events on behalf of the MAMC. The MAMC will not pay for events/activities if there is no prior authorization.

9) **Announcements** - Kandy Jenkins talked about an upcoming event being hosted by Community Options, Unmasking Brain Injury. The event will be held February, 23 from 3-7 at Community Options. If you would like to have your agency/company information at the event, please contact Kandy.

Ronda Blake talked about a supported employment program at Microsoft. Dana Maddock is the contact person, she may be reached at 701-281-3589. The current positions available are landscaping, janitorial and food service.

10) Meeting was adjourn

The next meeting will be held Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 12-1 at Fryn'Pan, Fargo.

Submitted by,  
Tammy DeSautel