

**Metro Area Mayors Committee
For People with Disabilities (MAMC)
Location: Fryn' Pan, Main Avenue, Fargo
February 8, 2007**

Present: Ron Sandness, Paulette Ness, Brenda Majerus, Robert Anderson, Tammy Stuart, Mike Haring, Jeannie Krull, MaryBeth Collier, Lillian Mulder, Tom Thompson, Judy Siegle, Paula Aalgaard, Laura Eberhardt, Tom Ness, Mark Breitbach, Terry Romine, Dan Mahli, Jen Erickson

Co-Chairs Presiding: Dan Mahli and Tammy Stuart

Robert A. made a motion to approve the minutes from January 2007, and Jeannie K. provided the second. Motion passed.

Robert A. made a motion to approve the agenda and Jeannie K. provided the second. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Mark Breitbach

Checking: \$5,914.63

GT Grant: \$3,723.41

Savings: \$1,210.80

Total: \$10,848.84

Deposits: \$750.00 – 4th quarter parking fees

There are no Grace Tveiten grants pending at this time.

Awards Banquet – Tom Thompson

Tom indicated the buffet pricing has increased from \$10.95 to \$12.95 this year. Dialogue ensued regarding meal choices.

A motion was made by Tammy S. to have Italian Chicken and Jen E. provided the second. Motion passed. A motion was made by Judy S. to serve glazed carrots and Jeanne K. provided the second. Motion passed. A motion was made by Dan M. to include a wild rice option and Tammy S. provided the second. Motion passed.

Tom invited members who are interested in volunteering at the banquet to contact him. It was also noted that additional volunteers are being sought for the banquet and the Assistive Technology Expo. Some of the volunteer opportunities include:

- Runner
- Advertising/Promotions
- Traffic Control
- Display assistance/set up with Vendors
- Flower Pinner
- Escorts – Winners & Sponsors
- Front Desk/traffic control attendants

Tom indicated that banquet volunteers would arrive at 11:15 am. Jen E. offered to inquire with a couple of student organizations at NDSU to see if students would be available to work as volunteers at either event.

Tom indicated that nominations are arriving and noted that nominations for the healthcare category are needed. Tom asked that nominations be submitted by March 1st. A selection committee has been formed to review nominations to select those who will be honored at the banquet. The committee consists of Judy Siegle, Tammy Stuart, Laura Eberhardt, and Tom Thompson.

MAMC website

There was dialogue to choose the host name for the website.

After some discussion, Dan M. moved that the host name be www.fmareamayorscommittee.org
Laura E. provided the second. Motion passed.

It was agreed that meeting agendas would be added to the website in addition to meeting minutes, including the minutes from the 2006 meetings. Jen E. plans to send past minutes from 2006 to Terry to be added. It was agreed that Co-chairs would provide the agendas 3-5 days prior to each monthly meeting so Terry can add them for viewing prior to the meeting.

Nomination forms for the Awards Banquet are on the website and Tom T. plans to send text to Terry R. about the banquet to be added to the web.

MAMC By-laws

A committee met to review and revise the by-laws. Tom T, Paula A., and MaryBeth C. met and provided a draft of revisions for review by the members present at today's meeting. A draft was also emailed to the email list, inviting review and input. The committee indicated they are checking on the status of the committee in regard to designated 501C status and are waiting to hear back from the City of Fargo legal council. Feedback on current document revisions was invited and it was agreed that the new by-laws would go into effect as of August 2007.

There was dialogue about deleting the specific month in which the executive committee would participate in the annual planning session to allow for flexibility regarding when this would take place; it was agreed that the month would be removed.

There was dialogue about the process by which financial decisions would be made and it was agreed that text would be altered to permit the executive committee to make certain financial decisions without bringing it to a vote at a full committee meeting, recognizing the immediacy of certain decisions and the importance of responding in a timely manner.

C.O.P.P.S. Program

Tammy S. and Tom T. plan to meet with the designated leadership team regarding progress on information packets for employers in the community regarding accessible parking compliance.

AT Expo Sponsorship

Tom T. made a motion for MAMC to be a sponsor for the AT Expo, which includes a program listing. Judy S. provided the second and the motion passed.

Free lunch drawing – Ron Sandness

Respectfully Submitted,
Jen Erickson