

**Metro Area Mayors Committee
For People with Disabilities (MAMC)
Meeting Minutes
Location: Lone Star, Fargo
June 11, 2009**

Present: Tammy DeSautel, Tom Thompson, Ronda Wilson, Heather Woods, Lanore King, Brenda Majerus, Terry Romine, Jen Erickson, Kati Langlie, Val Nielsen, Cornelius Grant, Marisa Bengtson-Loerzel, Jeanne Krull, Dennis Krull, Laura Eberhardt

Co-chairs presiding: Laura Eberhardt

Last Meeting's Minutes: Motion to approve – Brenda Majerus, 2nd- Jeanne Krull

Agenda: Motion to approve – Jen Erickson, 2nd Tammy DeSautel

Treasurer's Report – Kati Langlie

Checking: \$6830.38
GT grant: \$3518.64
Savings: \$1223.72
Deposits: \$1175.00
Bill: Crown Trophy: - \$325.65
Total: \$11,572.74

There are no new Grace Tveiten Grants

We are still expecting the bill from the Ramada for the Awards Luncheon

Program Reports & Relevant Issues:

Officer Nominations were presented by Tom Thompson & Jean Thompson:

Co-Chair: Laura Eberhardt & Steve Pederson

Secretary: Marisa Bengtson-Lorerzel

Treasurer: Kati Langli

No other nominations were suggested. Tom Thomson motioned to cease nominations, Tammy DeSautel 2nd. All those nominated accepted and the committee voted yes to all suggested nominations.

Subcommittees:

C.O.P.P. Program – Tom Thompson stated that volunteers will be needed at the end of July to check on compliance. He will contact his committee as well as email out specific information. Those interested can sign up with Tom.

Awards Banquet:

No new updates

Chic's Clues:

Jeanne Krull spoke about this – Jeff A has the information regarding distribution as CLS offered to distribute the guide to all entities detailed throughout the guide. Jeanne said that the committee talked about getting holders to display at local grocery stores.

Jeanne will check at Hornbachers, Tammy will check at Cashwise and Sunmart. Jeanne will get an electronic version to Laura to get to Terry to post on the MAMC website. Other potential distribution places: HERO, Manor Care, Villa Maria, Bethany, Rosewood, Eventide, Health Care Accessories and Great Plains.

Meeting Location:

The committee seemed to like meeting at Lone Star. The food was good and reasonably priced. The meeting room was spacious and private. The only complaint was the temperature – it was a little warm.

Disability Awareness Month:

A reminder to all that October is Employing People with Disability Awareness Month. The committee discussed broadcasting information on the radio as well as sending Thank You letters to businesses who employ people with disabilities. Tammy is heading up the planning committee and will send an email with information with those interested.

Announcements:

Tammy talked about grant dollars available from the State of ND as well as upcoming disability summits – July 22nd, September 15th and October 20th. Scholarships are available. Email Tammy at tdesautel@nd.gov for more information about grant dollars and upcoming summits.

Cornelius talked about AmeriCorps projects with contacts at YMCA and Youthworks. Currently the YMCA program is recruiting for candidates for the AmeriCorps program. For more information, contact Cornelius at cgrant@nd.gov

The MAMC committee does not meet in July.

Next meeting is at Noon on Thursday, August 13, 2009, at Lone Star on 13th Ave in Fargo.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Eberhardt, Co-Chair