

MINUTES OF THE POST-CONVENTION BOARD MEETING  
OF THE MCRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OCTOBER 3, 2004

The post-Convention board meeting of the MCRA Board of Directors was called to order at 12:45 p.m. on October 3, 2004. Present were Rhonda Laurentius, President; Sandy Stewert, Vice President; Tammy Ballew, Immediate Past President; Angie Culler, Treasurer; Betsy Gromowsky, Secretary; Faith Olliges, Region I Vice President; Tiffany Hughes, Region III Vice President; Brett Harrison, Region IV Vice President; Christy Kordahl, Region V Vice President; Debbie Kriegshauser, 2004 Convention Chair and MaryAnne Brooks, MCRA Events Coordinator.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

President Laurentius introduced and welcomed all new board members.

**COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:**

Discussion was held regarding committee appointments. President Laurentius requested all committee appointments be submitted by October 31<sup>st</sup>. President Laurentius also distributed copies of the 2004-2005 proposed budget.

**AUDIT COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT:**

MOTION/TAMMY BALLEW: I make a motion that Linda Dattilo be appointed as chair of the Audit Committee, with Linda to appoint remaining committee members no later than October 31, 2004.

MOTION SECONDED. There being no further discussion, President Laurentius called for a vote on the motion. Unanimous aye. Motion carries.

CCR Exam dates of October 16 & 17, 2004, to be held in St. Louis were announced.

**RETENTION OF BECK & COMPANY, CPA**

MOTION/TIFFANY HUGHES: I move MCRA retain the accounting services of Beck & Company, L.C., for the 2004-2005 fiscal year, in an amount not to exceed \$7,200 for the year, plus any additional costs for supplies and postage.

MOTION SECONDED. There being no further discussion, President Laurentius called for a vote on the motion. Unanimous aye. Motion carries.

**NCRA LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE:**

MOTION/BRETT HARRISON: I move the board approve the expenses of sending the 2004-2005 MCRA President to the 2004 Leadership Conference held November 11-13, 2004, in Tysons Corner, Virginia. Expenses to include full airfare, cab fare to and from airport, hotel expenses from November 11, the day the conference begins, until November 14, the day after the conference concludes, a meals per diem of \$35 per day.

MOTION SECONDED. There being no further discussion, President Laurentius called for a vote on the motion. Unanimous aye. Motion carries.

A reminder was given to submit all expenses by October 10, 2004, for fiscal year ending October 31, 2004.

**STUDENT SPONSORSHIP REPORT:**

President Laurentius reported 36 students attended the 2004 MCRA Convention. One student was self-registered. The remaining 35 students were sponsored.

**PAC FUND CONTRIBUTION:**

MOTION/FAITH OLLIGES: I move that the amount of \$2,000 be transferred from the general revenue fund into the MCRA-PAC Fund.

MOTION SECONDED. There being no further discussion, President Laurentius called for a vote on the motion. Unanimous aye. Motion carries.

Discussion was held regarding concentrated efforts in the area of public relations and updating the Web site bandwidth contract.

An October 20, 2004 deadline was announced for submitting materials to be included in the next issue of Progress.

President Laurentius announced she would be attending a Career Fair on February 16, 2005, at Parkway Middle School in St. Louis and extended the invitation to others.

**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Vice President Stewart reviewed the inventory of items remaining in the MCRA Store and will further report status of inventory in January.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Treasurer Culler gave an explanation of the utility of the various MCRA expense forms and the Treasurer's Report previously submitted at the pre-convention meeting.

**REGION I REPORT:** Nothing to report.

**REGION II REPORT:** Nothing to report.

**REGION III REPORT:** Nothing to report.

**REGION IV REPORT:** Nothing to report.

**REGION V REPORT:** Nothing to report.

**COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS:**

President Laurentius conveyed a request from Randy Dunn to dissolve the Real-time Committee due to inactivity. If the need arises the committee can be again implemented.

**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:**

Discussion was held concerning the need to groom future legislative committee members with an interest to serve in that capacity and attend the legislative boot camp.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Discussion was held regarding the scheduling of the January Board meeting, date and time to be announced.

MOTION/KORDAHL: I make a motion to approve the day-to-day expenses until the next board meeting, date and time to be announced.

MOTION SECONDED. There being no further discussion, President Laurentius called for a vote on the motion. Unanimous aye. Motion carries.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Betsy Gromowsky, MCRA Secretary