



UP CHAPTER OF THE MCUL
UNITED for PROGRESS

UP Chapter Executive Meeting
May 17, 2019
Island Resort and Casino
Harris, MI

I. Call to Order: Chapter Chair, Chris Ison called the meeting to order at 12:08 pm EST

II. Roll Call Executive Committee and Committee Chairs

Present were: Chris Ison, Ray Theoret, Connie Toensing, Lynda Ellis, Brenda Lippens, Jim Veneskey, and Darcy McLean. David Black was absent. Committee Chair present was Tyler DuBord and absent was George Isola, Katie Wilcox, and Jennie Gylock. Also absent was MCUL Rep. Marc McKellar.

III. Minutes of Previous Meetings

- a. Minutes from the previous Regular Meeting dated March 1, 2019 were approved on a motion by Brenda and supported by Tom, motion carried.
- b. Minutes from Reorganization Meeting dated April 13, 2019 were approved on a motion by Jim and supported by Connie, motion carried.

IV. Correspondence - None

V. Reports:

- a. League Director: Jim Veneskey, Alternate Director, took notes from the last meeting. Discussed financials, introduced new CFO, Wendy Dadnais. Discussed top priorities: advocacy, cannabis, data security, and getting to know the new law makers on both the Fed and State side; budget, roads, and working on educating new Reps and DIFS leadership. Donated \$250,000.00 to Cuna's "Open Your Eyes" campaign, which the campaign has raised 30 million dollars on a National level. Increasing involvement with youth, through 906hYPe and FUEL.
- b. Chapter Chair: Chris Ison
Reached out to both parties that ran for Executive Committee and they are not interested in serving on other committees.
Discussed Education and Events Committees and if they should be combined, no action was taken. Also, discussed the Marketing Committee.
- c. Treasurer and Budget: Ray Theoret
Written reports were handed out for May 13, 2019, with a balance of \$70,224.28 There are still items to be paid for the Annual Meeting Committee. Nothing to report new on the budget.
- d. Audit Committee: Tom Blake – Nothing to report
- e. Marketing: George Isola -Absent

- f. Education: Brenda Lippens
Collection training, June in Escanaba.
Payments Academy is the following week in Marquette.
Managers Conference, speaker is all set, Bill Diedrick – Adults at Work.
MLO training, October 15 at Landmark in Marquette.
Will pursue IRA training back in the UP.
- g. Events: Darcy McLean
U.P. Manager’s Conference – Wednesday night will be live music and appetizer bar and social.
We will have a bon fire after dinner on Thursday.
- h. Golf Committee: Rick Gatiss
There was an increase in fees for \$9.25 per person. A motion was made by Jim and supported by Tom to increase the registration fee by \$5.00 to charge \$80.00 per golfer. Motion carried
There was also a discussion about vendors golfing with credit union groups.
- i. Annual Meeting Committee: Connie Toensing
Discussed the financials and handed out evaluation comments. The main discussion was the complaints on Five Bridges for Saturday’s lunch.
- j. Legislative: Katie Wilcox – Absent – notes were sent
Red Carpet Fundraiser raised a total of \$716.00 for the Federal PAC.
Yoooper Nut sales raised a total of \$338.00 for the ASFM Fund.
Three UP leaders were able to attend the MCUL GAC in Lansing.
- k. League Consultant: Marc McKellar - Absent
- l. 906 hYPe: Katie Wilcox – Absent – notes were sent
Membership is up to 97 members from 18 different UP credit unions.
2019 T-shirt fundraiser raised a total of \$500.00 for Autism Speaks.
UP-Wide 906hYPe meeting will be held on Saturday, June 1st at The Grind Coffee House in Manistique beginning at noon. Encourage your YP’s to attend! Carpools are available from each Chapter.
Discussion will include: The Grind Coffee House story, importance of financial education, and 906 hYPe brainstorming.
Spring volunteer events include: Highway Cleanup, Senior Yard Cleanup, and Pet Shelter Volunteering.
- J. Website: Jennie Gylock – Absent
Chris brought up Jennie is receiving incomplete information when people are requesting items to be put on the website. She has the authority to request further information.

VI. Old Business - None

VII. New Business:

- a. MCUL Chapter/District Structure – Jim spoke of the committee he is on now and discussed the combining of districts from 10 to 7. Our district should be the same, given our logistics.
- b. A motion was made by Jim and supported by Tom for \$100.00 donation for the charity in Memory of Dave Adams Mother, motion carried.
- c. A discussion of credit union representation on the Executive Committee.
- d. Meeting dates were set for the coming year as follows: August 9, 9:00 am on Mackinac Island, December 5, 3:00 pm, Embers CU in Marquette, and February 21, 2020, 1:00 pm in Harris, MI.

VIII. For the good of the Chapter – None

The meeting adjourned at 1:41 pm. Respectfully submitted by: Lynda Ellis, Secretary

