



UP Chapter Executive Meeting
February 8, 2024
Zoom

- I. Call to Order: Chapter Chair, David Black called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm EST.
- II. Roll Call

Present were: David Black, Connie Toensing, Lynda Ellis, Ray Theoret, Nicole Maki, Darcy McLean, Mindy Brezsko, Dawn Jahfetson, Joy Hill – Executive Committee - Julie Johnson, Brad Bisdorf, Becky Harding, Dylan Bloniarz, Katie Narhi, Jim Veneskey, and Jennie Gylock – Committees, and Tony Zorza, MCUL Rep.
- III. Approval of the Agenda on a motion by Lynda Ellis and supported by Nicole Maki, motion carried.
- IV. Minutes of Previous Meetings
 - a. Minutes from the previous Regular Meeting dated December 7, 2023 were approved on a motion by Joy Hill and supported by Mindy Brezsko, motion carried.
- V. Correspondence and Discussion
 - a. New credit union leadership, retirements, mergers, etc. – Merger of UP State, CCCU, & FECCCU was legal on January 1.
 - b. Other events in the UP or League – None
 - c. Industry trends or issues – None
- VI. Reports:
 - a. League Director: Connie Toensing (and Joy Hill) – February 27 is the next MCUL meeting. An email went out on 1/8/24 regarding Bylaw Amendment to Article IX-Section 8.B. Also, a press release was recently sent out, Patty Corkery will be the President/CEO of both MCUL and MCULSC as of July 1, 2024, replacing Dave Adams.
 - b. Chapter Chair: David Black – Nothing to report
 - c. Treasurer: Ray Theoret – The Chapter balance as of December 31, 2023 \$69,091.97, made up of Executive Committee - \$31,111.86, Education Committee – \$748.01, Annual Meeting Committee - \$32,274.02, and Golf Committee - \$4,958.08. A motion was made by Darcy McLean and supported by Joy Hill, motion carried.
 - d. Budget: Ray Theoret – The Budget was presented by Ray with the dues projected at \$21,499. Having an excess of funds already in the amount of \$31,111.86 a recommendation was made to only bill ½ dues again for 2024. A motion was made to accept this recommendation by Darcy McLean and supported by Lynda Ellis, motion carried.
 - e. Audit Committee: – Jim Veneskey – Ray will drop off the financials to Jim on February 12th for him to review/audit.
 - f. Engagement (Marketing/Website)– Jennie Gylock was present but having computer issues.
 - g. Education: Mindy Brezsko - MLO and Security training will both be held on Friday of the Chapter Annual meeting. Also, a search continues on a speaker for the Managers Conference.
 - h. Events: Darcy McLean – Managers Conference is August 7 – 9 on Mackinac Island and plans are coming along, same as last year.

- i. Golf Committee: Brad Bisdorf – First meeting next Tuesday with the committee to get things started for 2024.
 - j. Annual Meeting Committee: - Becky Harding and Julie Johson – The committee just met and everything is on track. Registration to be open next week with the new app.
 - k. Governmental Affairs: - Katie Narhi – The Committee is now meeting monthly and just met to start the invites for legislative breakfast. Will be working with the Crashers again on the fundraising.
 - l. 906 hYPe: Dylan Bloniarz – 906hYPe is now an official Chapter of FUEL with currently 10 members in our district. At the chapter meeting, will host an Extreme Rollercoaster – team building event with Crashers and credit union professionals. Both the Crashers and Pat Ruecker Scholarship applications will be going out soon. Children's Miracle Network is expanding to a virtual run with the MCUL Convention this year.
 - m. Reality Fairs-Kim Kareckas – not present – developed a committee to support all of the UP credit unions. Also, would like to know when credit unions are running reality fairs to let our legislators know.
 - n. League Consultant: - Tony Zorza – A report was sent to include information on a Town Hall on courtesy pay and junk fees scheduled for February 13. Partnered with MasterCard, there are nice incentives to switch from Visa to Mastercard for credit unions. Love my CU Rewards can help with non-interest income. Education, YOU Conference looking for more lending participants. Election forms will be going out soon.
- VII. Old Business
- a. Member credit union engagement – Ideas to enhance engagement. Still have scholarships to the Managers Conference.
- VIII. New Business
- a. Calendar of Events – Discussed upcoming events on calendar.
 - b. Approval of Budget – was discussed with the Budget report.
 - c. Appoint Kim Kareckas as Reality Fair Committee Chair on a motion by Connie Toensing and supported by Darcy McLean, motion carried.
 - d. Confirmation of nominations for committee and Mindy will also run as alternate delegate at the MCUL Annual Meeting.
 - e. Discussion of dues was included in the budget committee report.
 - f. Annual meeting award nominations come due next Friday. Due to logistics, the annual meeting committee will be appointed to select the award recipients for 2024, normally done by the executive committee.

Adjournment at 1:46 pm on a motion by Darcy McLean

Respectfully submitted by: Lynda Ellis, Secretary