



UP CHAPTER OF THE MCUL
UNITED for PROGRESS

UP Chapter Executive Meeting
May 16, 2024
Zoom

I. Call to Order: Chapter Chair, David Black called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm EST.

II. Roll Call

Present were: Executive Committee - David Black, Lynda Ellis, Darcy McLean, Mindy Brezsko, Connie Toensing, Nicole Maki, Dawn Jahfetson, Joy Hill, absent was Hilary Fountain. Committees - Julie Johnson, Brad Bisdorf, Becky Harding, Dylan Bloniarz, absent was Katie Narhi and Jennie Gylock. Also present was MCUL Rep. Tony Zorza.

III. Approval of the Agenda on a motion by Connie Toensing and supported by Nicole Maki, motion carried.

IV. Minutes of Previous Meetings

- a. Minutes from the previous Regular Meeting dated February 8, 2024 were approved on a motion by Dawn Jahfetson and supported by Nicole Maki, motion carried.
- b. Minutes from the Organization Meeting dated April 13, 2023 were approved on a motion by Nicole Maki and supported by Mindy Brezsko, motion carried.

V. Correspondence and Discussion

- a. New credit union leadership, retirements, mergers, etc. – None
- 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) – the last meeting was April 24, 2024, and both Connie and Joy participated. The recommendations of endorsements of candidates were approved, with Jack Bergman being one in our district. An amendment to bylaws to add an associate member and a young professional director was approved. Associate Member, would be credit unions with corporate office in another state but branches in Michigan. An email went out regarding the bylaw amendment on May 1. There have been 5 credit union mergers year to date. On the monthly Industry Leaders call today, online gambling was discussed and if anyone is having overdraft issues with these transactions, email Kieran Marion at the league.
- b. Chapter Chair: David Black – Attended the Chapter Leaders conference, which was in conjunction with the GAC. Some updates it is important to reinforce political advocacy spoke about FUEL and getting young professionals involved, and updating the chapter leader's book.
- c. Treasurer: Nicole Maki – The Chapter balance as of May 15, 2024, \$79,198.98 made up of Executive Committee - \$33,099.95, Education Committee - \$748.01, Annual Meeting Committee - \$39,672.94, Golf Committee - \$4,958.08 and FUEL - \$720.00.
- d. Budget: Nicole Maki – nothing to report
- e. Audit Committee: – Vacant
- f. Engagement (Marketing/Website)– Jennie Gylock absent

- g. Education: Mindy Brezsko - Training for managers conference is set. DS Tech suggested that we have IT training every other year since attendance has been low for these trainings.
- h. Events: Darcy McLean – Managers Conference is all set and an email should be going out next week to register for the event.
- i. Golf Committee: Brad Bisdorf – The date is set for August 22, 2024 and is the same as last year. Registration and sponsorship packets will be going out by next month. Looking at using the new app for registration.
- j. Annual Meeting Committee: - Becky Harding and Julie Johson – We had 430 attendees this year. Looking through the surveys there was nothing negative about the event. Julie is getting the contracts signed for the 2026 and 2027 dates.
- k. Governmental Affairs: - Katie Narhi – absent, but provided a written update to include \$300.00 PAC funds raised at the chapter meeting. Dawn Taylor was able to attend the MCUL GAC and we would like to encourage more UP credit unions to participate. Planning another fundraiser for golf event in August and Kim Kareckas is leading the coordination. Last meeting planned had to be rescheduled, hoping to meet next week to discuss email and social communications to go out to the chapter.
- l. FUEL: Dylan Bloniarz – June 20, 2024 there will be an education session with Stacie Vandenburg an invitation will go out to encourage all young professionals, not just FUEL members. Working on a new App with a group chat feature.
- m. League Consultant: - Tony Zorza – A report was emailed, with a special mention of the HR Conference registration is now open. The Fall hike the hill in D.C. fills up fast, so if interested get your reservations in. Positions open for board nominations are due end of day today, if interested you can still get them in. New solutions through partner CSS.

VII. Old Business

- a. None

VIII. New Business

- a. Recap Annual Meeting – Good feedback and the app is good. Also discussed sending a survey to all credit unions for ideas for extra education.
- b. Appoint Committee Chairs – All chairs will remain the same with the exception of Reality Fair – Frank Baublitt from Integra First FCU and we still have a vacancy for Audit Committee, if someone would like to take that role.
- c. Golf Outing – already discussed.
- d. Managers Conference – already discussed
- e. Next Executive Committee Meeting will be on Mackinac Island, Wednesday, August 7th at 3:00 pm. More to come on the meeting place.

Adjournment at 2:50 pm on a motion by Lynda Ellis and supported by Darcy McLean, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by: Lynda Ellis, Secretary