

Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2008

Meeting No. 33

Kathy Cole called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. in the OPS Conference Room, at the Mason Building.

Members present: Kathy Cole, Lin Emmert, Richard Darling, Jim Niewiek, and Diane Philpot. DMB staff present: Dane Hengesbach and Vivian Grinnell

1. Review of Meeting Minutes from April 10, 2008
Richard Darling made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Lin Emmert. MOTION CARRIED.
2. House Bill Update
Kathy reported that the bill to allow a check box on income tax returns was passed by the legislature. Confirmation that the bill was signed by the Governor is expected soon. The Commission agreed it would be beneficial to announce this with a press release.
3. RFP Update
Melissa Castro, with DMB Purchasing, emailed Kathy and Vivian that no bids were received in response to the RFP. Kathy and Vivian will be meeting with Melissa on Friday, June 20th to discuss another strategy.
4. Update on Ilitch Foundation
Vivian reported that Jason Nairn, Facilities Administration's Security & Emergency Management, has been in touch with a contact he has with the Ilitch Foundation regarding the MLEOM's fundraising efforts. Jason will contact Vivian when he has more information.

Vivian also stated she would contact Craig Orr, DMB's Director of Business Services Administration, to discuss the MLEOM's fundraising efforts. Mr. Orr was a former executive at Ford Motor Company.
5. Financial Update
Dane distributed a copy of the Financial Report for the period ending May 31st.
6. Conferences
POAM: Jim Niewiek reported he attended this conference on May 21st in Grand Rapids. Jim continued that the POAM Executive Board be contacted for contributions. Diane will be attending an upcoming POAM board meeting. Jim also suggested the MLEOM thank Senator Jansen for supporting the house bill. Kathy stated a letter of appreciation should be sent to both Senator Jansen and Representative Byrum for their efforts.
MACP: Lin will be attending this conference on June 22nd thru 24th at Boyne Highlands. She will be taking the model and glass sample for the booth, and will be asking attendees for potential donor contact information, and telling them about the cellphone program and check-off box.

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MAP: Diane indicated that she will be attending this upcoming conference where she will have an opportunity to sell 100 to 200 coins. Kathy stated she would order and ship them to Diane. Diane also stated that Citizens Bank has expressed an interest in selling the MLEOM coins in their branches.

MSA: Kathy attended this conference on June 8th & 9th at Crystal Mountain and told them about the cellphone program. She also asked for names of potential donors.

7. Action Items

- Lin will compose a letter of appreciation to Senator Jansen and Representative Byrum for their support of the house bill
- Diane will register the MLEOM on GoodSearch
- Diane will follow up on a meeting to be scheduled with Guardian Glass
- Vivian will contact Craig Orr in the hope of identifying a contact at the Ford Motor company
- Vivian will check on the status of the Commission's re-appointments

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

**Next Meeting: Thursday, July 10, 2008 @ 1:00 p.m. in the
Stevens T. Mason Building – OPS Conference Room**