

# ***Mountain-Plains Business Education Association Executive Board Minutes***

October 30-31, 2009

Hampton Inn—Westroads, Omaha, Nebraska

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The fall meeting of the Mountain-Plains Business Education Association Executive Board was held at the Hampton Inn—Westroads in Omaha, Nebraska, on October 30-31, 2009. President Sandy Braathen called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

## **ROLL CALL**

Lori Hauf, Executive Secretary conducted roll call. The following officers were present: Sandy Braathen, President; Suzanne Sydow, Past President; Murleen Bellinger, President-Elect; Delayne Havlovic, Treasurer; Lori Hauf, Executive Secretary; Marilyn Jones, NBEA Director.

Ex-Officio members present were: Christine French, Membership Director; Ramona Schoenrock, M-PBEA Leadership Award; Kris Gaebel, Archivist; ISBE Representative, Dennis Krejci; Wanda Samson, Newsletter Editor; Sheryl Piening Keller, Legislative Chair; Toni Landenberger, Regional Webmaster.

State Representatives in attendance included: Carol Sessums, Colorado; Connie Lindell, Kansas; Patricia Arneson, Nebraska; Glenda Rotvold, North Dakota; Violet Snell, Texas; and Michelle Dahlberg, Wyoming.

Officers Absent: Pricilla Romkema, Cindy Johnson, Mitchell Ober, and Michelle Metzinger.

## **APPOINTMENT OF PROXIES**

President Sandy Braathen appointed Wanda Samson to serve as proxy for the South Dakota representative, Sheryl Piening Keller to serve as proxy for the Oklahoma representative, and Dennis Krejci to serve as proxy for the Wyoming representative.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes were accepted as presented.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Delayne Havlovic presented the current financial status of M-PBEA. Delayne handed out financial reports and reported that the current checking and CD balance is \$35,261.80 as of October 15, 2009. Line items were discussed, specifically LDI stipends. Delyane reminded members about voucher forms and distributed them to attending officers. The forms are available electronically if members should need forms.

## **OFFICER REPORTS**

- PRESIDENT** President Sandy Braathen discussed ways of staying connected by increasing the use of Blogs. Blogs could be used for membership recruitment and keeping connected with the net-gens. One idea put forth was to have a guest blogger each week. (Written Report)
- PAST PRESIDENT** Past President Sue Sydow discussed LDI Planning. Sue passed around LDI information forms for members to distribute. The submission deadline is April 23, 2010. Sue reported on the curriculum standards. The NBEA hopes to get new curriculum standards finalized and distributed in 2011. Sue asked for reviewers to proof standards in January and February of 2010. A task force will meet in May/June to finalize the standards. Sue distributed NBEA convention flyers for members to distribute. (Written Report)
- PRESIDENT-ELECT** President Elect Murleen Bellinger discussed her activities since the spring board meeting. Murleen reported that she e-mailed all first and second year teachers in Nebraska to inform them about NBEA/M-PBEA and encouraged them to join. (Written Report)
- NBEA DIRECTOR** NBEA Director Marilyn Jones will present a full report after the Nov. 6-8 meeting. Marilyn gave a brief update on the NBEA San Diego convention.
- REGIONAL MEMBERSHIP** Membership Director Christine French discussed new techniques that are being implemented to increase membership. Christine will present a report at the spring meeting to see how the new strategies impact membership. (Written Report)

## **EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS' REPORTS**

- M-PBEA LEADERSHIP AWARD** Leadership Awards Chairman Ramona Schoenrock asked each state to submit nominees for leadership awards. The due date for applications is March 1, 2009. (Written Report)
- ARCHIVES** Archives Chairman Kris Gaebel suggested that the Payne Porter plaque be placed into the archives. Kris also asked for assistance in locating Share-An-Idea booklets from the years 1997-1998. (Written Report)

**ISBE  
REPRESENTATIVE**

ISBE Representative Dennis Krejci reported that the ISBE convention will be held in Australia in 2010, Switzerland in 2011, and the U.S. in 2012. Dennis encouraged members to join ISBE this year. (Written Report)

**NEWSLETTER  
EDITOR**

Newsletter Editor Wanda Samson informed members that the deadline for the Winter Issue is November. 15, 2009. Each state is asked to contribute twice each year—one article and one with state news updates. (Written Report)

**LEGISLATIVE**

Legislative Advocate Sheryl Piening Keller distributed an article she wrote on Bruce Yoder to all members. The article was submitted by Sheryl as a promotional piece on successful former business students. Sheryl asked for more nominations to be submitted. Sheryl also handed out the NBEA Legislative Advocacy Committee report dated October 16, 2009. (Written Report)

**NBEA PUBLICATIONS**

No report

**M-PBEA JOURNAL**

Journal Editor Cindy Johnson is looking for submissions—the call for papers deadline has been set for April 30, 2010. Papers will be published on the Web next Fall. (Written Report)

**WEB SITE**

Web Site Editor Toni Landenberger announced that the ISP provider was switched to GoDaddy. Toni added that the blogging site has been moved to Wordpress. The URL to the site is <http://mpbea.wordpress.com>. Toni requested pictures from the 2009 M-PBEA Convention to be put on the website. (Written Report)

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Written State membership reports are on file for the following: Carol Sessums, Colorado, Connie Lindell, Kansas; Patricia Arneson, Nebraska; Glenda Rotvold, North Dakota; Michelle Metzinger, South Dakota; Violet Snell, Texas; and Michelle Dahlberg, Wyoming.

## CONFERENCE REPORTS

- 2009 M-PBEA Conference** 2009 M-PBEA Conference—Rapid City, SD—Christine French reported for Michelle Metzinger. Christine suggested getting award winners to be presenters, in hopes of keeping them engaged and active. In future conferences, chairs are strongly encouraged to attend all conference activities.
- 2010 M-PBEA Conference** 2010 M-PBEA Conference—Fort Collins, CO—Carol Sessums—Don Moore asked members to submit call for presenters and liaisons. Discussion took place on the time conflict between LDI and Insurance Institute Education pre-conference session. Corrected forms are now posted on the Website. Lucinda Carpenter will serve as the Treasurer for the conference. Delayne will contact Lucinda to discuss the \$1,000 start up funding from the MPBEA. Exhibitor prices and board meeting times were discussed.
- 2011 M-PBEA Conference** 2011 M-PBEA Conference—Wichita, KS—Marilyn Jones—Computer workshops and potential speakers were discussed. Registration will be held online.
- 2012 M-PBEA Conference** 2012 M-PBEA Conference—Board Members—Glenda Rotvold—North Dakota proposed hosting the conference in Bismarck, ND.
- 2013 M-PBEA Conference** 2013 M-PBEA Conference—Omaha, NE—DeLayne Havlovic—presented an overview of the conference. Post Conference Training will be conducted by Family Economics & Financial Education (FEFE) on the topic of Personal Finance Education Training. The conference will be held in conjunction with College World Series. The Omaha Marriott hotel was previously toured and all board members were in favor of hosting the conference there.
- 2014 M-PBEA Conference** 2014 M-PBEA Conference—Board Members—Christine is going to explore options in Wyoming.
- 2015 M-PBEA Conference** 2015 M-PBEA Conference—Board Members—Violet will explore options in Northern Texas.

## POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

- 2009-2010 PROGRAM OF WORK** President Sandy Braathen encouraged members to look at actions as well as persons responsible for those actions and to double check to make sure individual duties are listed appropriately. President Braathen has submitted the report to the NBEA. Then next report will be due in February. President Braathen would like members to let her know about any additions or omissions. (Written Report)

**2010-2011 PROGRAM  
OF WORK**

Vice President Murleen Bellinger will report in June.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**AUDIT**

Wanda Samson found the books to be in excellent order. Wanda reminded members to send financial statements within 90 days at the end of fiscal year to NBEA. An internal audit will be conducted at Fall meeting. (Written Report)

**EDUCATOR AWARDS**

Murleen Bellinger—(Written Report)

**BYLAWS**

Connie Lindell reported that there is a word change in the bylaws. The bylaw change will be voted on during the business section of the meeting.

**POLICIES AND  
PROCEDURES**

Sue Sydow—(Written Report)

**LEGISLATIVE**

Sheryl Piening Keller is currently looking for an individual to speak at the M-PBEA conference. (Written Report)

**MEMBERSHIP**

Chris French—(Written Report)

**NOMINATIONS**

Sue Sydow reported that there are two positions open on the M-PBEA board: President Elect and NBEA Director. In order to be eligible for these positions, he/she must have 3 years of membership to the M-PBEA board. The deadline to submit an eligible candidate is January, 2010. (Written Report)

**PUBLICATIONS**

Priscilla Romkema—(Written Report)

**SHARE-AN-IDEA**

Wanda Samson announced that Colorado, Kansas, and Nebraska will serve as judges this year. (Written Report)

**STRATEGIC  
PLANNING**

DeLayne Havlovic will compare the M-PBEA strategic planning report to the NBEA report to make sure all information is aligned. (Written Report)

**ENDOWMENT &  
ROBERT THOMPSON  
SCHOLARSHIP**

Pat Arneson reviewed the procedure for submitting applications. (Written Report)

**FUNDRAISING &  
RAFFLE**

Marilyn Jones discussed raffle monies being used to cover the LDI. Marilyn would like to see more support from individual states. Other options, besides holding a raffle, were discussed. (Written Report)

**WEBSITE**

Toni Landeberger reported that a new Twitter account has been created. Twitter.com/MPBEA is the new address. The option of password protecting the site was discussed. (Written Report)

**ARCHIVIST**

Kris Gaebel—(Written Report)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

LDI stipends were discussed:

**Motion #1**

**Sydow/Rotvold moved that in 2010 a \$50 stipend to LDI participants will be presented at the conclusion of the LDI award presentation and the recipients must be present during the entire conference to receive the stipend. MOTION PASSED**

**Motion #2**

**The Fundraising Committee moved that the 2011 LDI participants receive their luncheon as part of their LDI program in place of their stipend. MOTION DID NOT PASS**

**BUSINESS MEETING**

**2012 AND BEYOND  
CONFERENCES**

2012 and beyond Conferences were discussed:

**Motion #3**

**French/Sydow moved that North Dakota host the 2012 M-PBEA Conference on June 17-20 in Bismarck N.D. Randy Wilson and D-Aulan Bussman will serve as conference chairs. MOTION PASSED**

**Motion #4**

**Havlovic/Rotvold moved to accept Nebraska as host of the 2013 M-PBEA Conference in Omaha. Delayne Havlovic will serve as conference chair. The proposed dates are June 9-12, 2013. Kris Gaebel will serve as conference treasurer. MOTION PASSED**

## BYLAWS

Bylaw change: 10 signatures were secured to amend Article 4 Executive Board and Officers—Part A—Section 1—Voting Members.

Approved and Amended Article 4, Part A, Section 1, second sentence will read:

All M-PBEA officers (President, President-Elect, Treasurer, Executive Secretary, and Immediate Past President), NBEA Representative/Director, State/Province Representatives, and Regional Membership Director shall be elected for a term of three year with the exception of the President-Elect, President and Past President.

## POLICY & PROCEDURES MANUAL CHANGES

No report.

## 2010 NBEA CONVENTION

President Sandy Braathen discussed State President Elect training as well as Membership training that will be conducted at the NBEA Convention. Two motions were put forth:

### **Motion #5**

**French/Rotvold moved to allocate the budgeted amount of \$400 to NBEA professional development stipends to be used for M-PBEA members. MOTION PASSED**

### **Motion #6**

**Lindell/Krejci moved that M-PBEA give \$75 to NBEA 2010 silent auction. MOTION PASSED**

## NBEA NOMINATIONS

Nominations include:

Secondary Schools Convention program Department Director

Postsecondary (2 year institutions) Schools Convention program  
Department Director

College/University (NABTE institutions) Convention Program  
Department Director

State and Local Administration and Supervision Convention  
Program Department Director

College/University (4 year institutions) Representative to the  
Policies Commission for Business and Economic Education

**2010 M-PBEA  
CONFERENCE**

**Motion #7**

**Bellinger/Havlovic moved that we approve the 2010 conference registration fee of \$120 and the budget as proposed for the Colorado Conference. MOTION PASSED**

President Sandy Braathen announced that presenters and coordinators/liasons are needed at the M-PBEA conference

An Insurance Education Institute Pre-Conference Session will be held at the M-PBEA conference. Members are encouraged to attend.

**FALL BOARD  
MEETING  
REIMBURSEMENT**

**Motion #8**

**Havlovic/Schoenrock moved that board travel stipends to attend the Fall board meeting in Omaha, NE--October 30-31, 2009 are as follows: In-State board members will receive \$75.00 and Out-of-State board members will receive \$200.00. MOTION PASSED**

**OTHER**

**Motion #9**

**French/Schoenrock moved that state memberships promotion accounts be reallocated as follows for the 2009-2010 year; Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska--\$300.00, Oklahoma--\$150.00. New Mexico, Wyoming, North Dakota and Texas will remain unchanged. An amount of \$400.00 will be unallocated and applied for on an as-needed basis to the Regional Membership Director. MOTION PASSED**

**Motion #10**

**The Website Committee moved that the following portions of the website will be moved to a members-only password protected directory; Journal, Share-an-Idea, and Newsletter effective July 1, 2010. MOTION PASSED**

**Motion #11**

**Schoenrock/Samson moved to approve a mailing to be sent as the membership "value added" item. The mailing will provide M-PBEA website password and will tell members how to access their annual member bonus. MOTION PASSED**

**Motion #12**

**Bellinger/Havlovic moved to implement an award at the middle level to align with the new award in this area at the National level. MOTION PASSED**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

The M-PBEA Board meeting was adjourned at 5:03

Recorded and submitted by

*Lori Hauf*

Lori Hauf, Executive Secretary