

Minutes for Board of Directors Meeting Mediation Association of Northeast Ohio

Date: Oct. 15, 2008 **Time:** 6:30 – 10:15 pm
Place: W. Hawbaker Home – Shaker Heights, OH
Members Present: M. Mennes, J. Lanz, H. Spicknall, J. Leeds,
W. Hawbaker, B. Curtis, H. Beard
Others Present: None

Call to order: By President Mennes at 7:30 pm.

Approval of Minutes:

***Motion by J. Leeds; Second by J. Lanz: That the Minutes of the Board meeting on August 21, 2008 be approved pending changes based on review by the Board and voted on by email.**

Action: Motion Carried

Action: Minutes were corrected, reviewed, and approved by the Board by email prior to 08/30/2008.

Treasurer's Report:

J. Leeds reported a balance of \$8,533.38 as of 09/30/08. Additional memberships have been received and are not reflected in this balance.

Arrangements have been made with the Corporate College facility to hold the date of April 3, 2009 for the MANO Annual conference. A deposit of \$939.50 will be made, based upon an estimate of a minimum of 30-35 attendees. This number can be increased to 80 or more based upon actual registrations.

***Motion by J. Leeds; Second by W. Hawbaker: That the Board approve the commitment to the Corporate College for the Annual Conference, to be held on April 3, 2009.**

Action: Motion Carried.

Committee Reports:

Annual Conference Committee:

The Committee has discussed various options for the conference, including: format, topics, speakers and cost.

Format: Main Session with key note speaker
Workshops
Business meeting
Lunch (Networking with no speaker)
General session
Break-out groups
Final General Session

Topics: Focus on Northeast Ohio
Health Care - Should be tied to mediation
Federal Mediation
Mediation Session – throughout the day, with Board
Members playing roles.

Speakers: Fairview Hospital Chaplin
Cleveland Clinic - Ombuds.
Elder Mediation – NCS
Business – Conflict prevention & resolution

Cost: Break even points – 60 at \$100 or 50 at \$110
Options for speaker(s) gift(s).

Public Outreach Committee:

Discussion of whether and how MANO might use National Conflict Resolution Day (3rd Thursday in October), and Ohio conflict Management Week (2nd week in May), to promote or market mediation in Northeast Ohio.

Options for give-aways at conference or generally.

Old Business:

The Board discussed using the website to acknowledge accomplishments of MANO Members, i.e. “Members in the News”. Contributions will be solicited from members at MANONews.org.

***Motion by W. Hawbaker; Second by J. Lanz: That the Board will design and post, “MANO Members in the News on the website.**

Action: Motion Carried

New Business:

The November Membership meeting will be held on 11/18/08 at the Independence Library. Matt will contact Frank Murtz about speaking on credentials.

The January meeting needs to be developed. Bob Curtis will check out the availability of the Brooklyn Library on -01/20/09.

Next Meeting Date: The next board meeting will be determined by email.

Adjournment: 10:15 pm

Motion by J. Lanz; Second by J. Leeds: That the meeting be adjourned.

Action: Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Harrold W. Spicknall, Secretary

These Minutes were reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors at its meeting on December 10, 2008.