 Maryland Agriculture Teachers Association

Board Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2018

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The MATA Board meeting was held at Farm Credit – Frederick Office on Wednesday, January 10, 2018. President Mike Harrington called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM. Those in attendance were:

* President – Mike Harrington
* President Elect – Lori Mayhew
* Past President – Diane Safer
* Secretary – Quinn Cashell
* Treasurer – Roy Walls
* Reporter – Tom Mazzone
* Membership Chair: Bridget Nicholson
* Guest: Terrie Shank, Naomi Knight (conference call)

Reflections were provided by Bridget Nicholson

**Secretary’s Report**

Quinn provided a copy of the minutes from the November meeting. Lori Mayhew moved to accept the minutes as presented. Tom Mazzone seconded, motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Roy Walls provided his detailed report.

Total Income: $10,040.22

Total Expenses: $11,359.76

Fiscal Year Total: -$1,319.54

Overall Total: $30,641.12

Lori Mayhew moved to file for audit, Diane Safar seconded, motion passed.

**Membership Report**

Roy Walls sent the membership update:

MATA Active: 29

MATA Affiliate: 1

MATA Associate: 1

MATA Life: 20

NAAE Active: 20

NAAE Life: 19

ACTE Active: 5

NAAE Magazine: 3

**Committee Reports**

Summer Conference

Naomi Knight reported on the 2018 Summer Conference, which will be held July 9-11, 2018. She provided a copy of the online registration form that will be sent out to via email to teachers. Diane Safar submitted for MSDE credit and received approval.

Lori Mayhew moved that MATA sponsor four college students to attend Maryland Ag Ed Summer Conference at $150.00/person ($600.00 total) after applying to be reviewed by the MATA Board by March 1, 2018. Diane Safar seconded, motion passed.

**Unfinished Business**

NAAE National Convention

Tom Mazzone reported on his experience at Convention in the Teacher Turn the Key program. He highly recommends the program and the Convention to all teachers. Tom did express concern about the lack of a prepared Maryland State Report for the Region VI meeting. Preparing this report will be added to the President’s duties for the month of November.

**New Business**

Mayland Council for Ag Ed (MCAE)

Mike Harrington is still seeking a Lifetime MATA member to serve as representation for MATA on the Maryland Council for Ag Education.

National Policy Seminar

March 4-6, 2018 in Washington D.C. NAAE pays registration for one MATA member, MATA sponsors lodging, and travel is covered by the individual. MATA is seeking one individual to represent our organization at this event. Registration must be submitted by February 5, 2018.

Strategic Plan Review

Board members selected sections of the strategic plan to complete the indicators. Members should have their work submitted to Quinn Cashell by March 1, 2018 to be presented at the March MATA Board meeting. The assignments are as follows:

Mike Harrington – Section A

Diane Safar – Section C1

Bridget Nicholson – Section C2

Lori Mayhew – Section B1

Quinn and Tom – B2 & 3

Taste of Maryland Dinner

Taste of Maryland Dinner on February 1, 2018 at Michael’s 8th Avenue. Tom Mazzone and Lori Mayhew will be attending.

Good of the Order

Lori Mayhew attended Weston A. Price Conference, a conference on Food, Farming & Health. She reported on the conference and the sustainable ag models that are realistic for our students in the future. She is hoping to arrange a day for student attendance for the conference for next year.

Lori Mayhew moved to adjourn, Diane Safar seconds, motion passed. Motion adjourned at 6:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Quinn Cashell

MATA Secretary