

**MLGMA Board of Directors Meeting  
Minutes  
March 12, 2010  
League Capital Office, Lansing**

**Al Vanderberg, President, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.**

**I. Roll Call**

Directors present:

Al Vanderberg, President, MLGMA; County Administrator, Ottawa County  
Ted Staton, Immediate Past President, MLGMA; City Manager, East Lansing (by phone)  
Steve Brock, President Elect, MLGMA; City Manager, Farmington Hills  
Christine Burns, City Manager, Cedar Springs (by phone)  
Michael Cain, City Manager, Boyne City (by phone)  
Ryan Cotton, Village Manager, Spring Lake (by phone)  
Mitch Deisch, City Manager, Manistee (by phone)  
Roger Fraser, City Administrator, Ann Arbor  
Perry Franzoi, Township Superintendent, Breitung Township  
Phillip Moore, City Manager, Alma  
Frank Walsh, City Manager, St. Joseph  
Lauren Wood, Public Services Director, Birmingham (by phone)

Also present: Colleen Layton, MML

**II. Consent Agenda**

- A. Approval of Minutes – February 5, 2009
- B. Approval of Finance Report

Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion by: Hibl  
Seconded by: Fraser

Discussion: Referring to the February 5 minutes, section V – I, Vanderberg clarified that any recommendations for future funding for the Saginaw Valley State University Certified Public Manager Program, would be made by the Professional Development and Education committees.

Motion passed.

**III. Action Items**

- A. University of Illinois Chicago (UIC) E Government Workshop Sponsorship Request.  
Sponsorship means only marketing to our members and lending our logo. There is no monetary support.

Motion to approve sponsorship of the program.

Motion by: Cain  
Seconded by: Cotton; motion passed

B. Approval of Appointment of President-Elect Steve Brock to the ICMA Annual Conference Planning Committee

Motion to approve the appointment of Steve Brock to the ICMA Annual Conference Planning Committee.

Motion by: Hibl

Seconded by: Cain; motion passed

C. Approval of Resolution Urging the State of Michigan to Implement Recommendations of the State Commission on Legislative Mandates

Motion to approve the resolution.

Motion by: Brock

Seconded by: Cotton; motion passed

D. Approval of Nomination of MLGMA Past-President and East Lansing City Manager, Ted Staton, for ICMA Regional Vice-President

Motion to approve Ted Staton for ICMA Regional Vice-President.

Motion by: Walsh

Seconded by: Brock; motion passed.

Pam Antil has resigned from the board and will be taking a new job in California. The Board will need to appoint a replacement. Vanderberg will review the by-laws. The replacement for the ICMA Vice-President will go to the other candidate in Ohio.

#### **IV. Discussion Items**

A. Adoption of ICMA Affiliation Agreement

Tom Wieczorek, Senior Manager Public Safety Programs, ICMA, encouraged the board to adopt the agreement. The primary goal is to encourage a closer affiliation with ICMA in programming and promoting the profession. It is an opportunity to promote each other. It is at no cost to the association. Six other states have already signed on.

B. Teaching Public Administration Conference

Vanderberg reported that he was contacted to participate in a panel of managers to talk about the city/county manager form of government. Daryl Delabbio will work with the group to coordinate the effort.

C. Managers in Transition

Tom Tilma will be a manager in transition beginning next October, and is already touch with the MIT committee.

D. 2010 MLGMA Fellowship status

Burns expressed concern that there are only 7 communities that have offered to sponsor an intern this year and 2 internships are available. The interns will select the community and it is helpful to have several options. She would appreciate any feedback on how to get more communities involved. This topic will be included in the next newsletter. This year, Oakland University and Grand Valley State

University are providing the interns. One will come from the east side of the state and the other from the west side.

## **V. Information**

### **A. MLGMA Budget**

Normally the budget is prepared in December and approved at the Winter Institute, well into the new budget year.

Motion to receive a financial report by the Winter Institute Committee at the September board meeting and adopt the budget in November.

Motion by: Moore

Seconded by: Hibl; motion passed.

### **B. Posting and Retention of MGLMA Board of director and Committee Minutes**

Layton reported that the board minutes and agendas (beginning in 2009) are now up on the website.

### **C. 2011 MLGMA Conference**

The 2011 Winter Institute Conference will be held in Detroit, February 1-4.

### **D. Pioneer of Profession Video – Deferred until next meeting**

### **E. Reports from Committee Liaisons – None**

### **F. Ad-Hoc committee Update – Fraser reported that they met last week and Andy Schor, Lansing League staff attended.**

- Recommended that the Association prepare a white paper for the Constitutional Convention, if there is one. Could tie into what's happening at the local level with Phil Powers' Center for Michigan.
- Ann Arbor is at work on a video (details on city services) and is available on YouTube in 2 sections. This could be used as a model.
- Midland has a Citizen Academy and this could also be used as a model.
- Andy Dillon is focusing on our failure to control costs due to lack of a universal health plan. Suggested that a group meet with Dillon.
- Committee will prepare a direction letter (action steps) for the legislature before the ConCon vote.
- The Public Policy committee will be discussing the ConCon at their next meeting.

### **G. Updated MLGMA Committee List**

An updated list is now on the website. Next year, a notice will be in the newsletter ahead of time to make sure that people sign up in a timely manner.

### **H. 2010 Summer Workshop Committee Update**

Deisch reported that they have had 4-5 meetings so far. They have some good topics. They will piggyback on some of the sessions from last year. Jason Eppler is handling the social activities.

## **VI. Roundtable**

Brock suggested that “Executive Committee” be struck from the bylaws, since this no longer exists. A draft will be created for next meeting as an action item.

**VII. Closing Comments from the President**

Vanderberg reminded everyone that the Midwest Regional meeting will take place on April 8<sup>th</sup> in Oak Park, Illinois.

**VIII. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by: Brock

Seconded by: Moore; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Layton  
Secretary/Treasurer