

MPCA 19OCT09 BOARD MEETING NOTES-Monday, October 19th, 2009-East Side Library

Attendees: Bethany, Beth, Chris, John, Paul, Tennie, Alex. Dzidra, Katie

- A. Minutes from September meeting approved.
- B. Treasury update-
 - a. Balance \$4730.39 is after PCP dinner and grant dispersal. \$300 check for Guatemala project (Tim Slettery) has not yet cleared. Bethany to send him an email about cashing it.
 - b. Fundraising updates-total donations received now \$910.
 - c. Decreased balance in general over last two years. No thresh-hold balance requirement. Board discussed keeping a minimum balance of \$2,500.
- C. Calendars
 - a. costs \$1600 and received \$1100 in revenue so far
 - b. sold 178, 131 @ 46 35@ 48 12@ \$12, 45 in stores on consignment, 75 with members to sell. Tennie will email listserve reminding them before the Brunch.
- D. Board positions
 - a. Board application-Bethany will send out to listserve. Chris to post on the website.
 - b. President application-Board voted Katie to be the next MPCA President starting at the January 2010 Board meeting.
 - c. Board openings-Vice President and Newsletter Editor (Katie to get some info about software from Allegra while in Colombia.)
 - d. Board discussed an attendance policy and decided not to implement one. If a Board member cannot attend the meeting, they are to notify the president in advance and have their tasks completed. Also, if a Board member cannot attend they need to have someone present their topics in their absence.
- E. January meeting-01/09 Saturday –tentative Dzidra’s
- F. Grants update-
 - a. 5th PCP dinner (Ethiopian Cottage) funded \$500 for a granary in Cameroon (Wisconsin PCV) and \$70 for health clinic in Mali. PC Washington received money. Previous PCP dinners have benefited regions of Africa, Eastern Europe, SE Asia, and Caribbean. Next PCP dinner will be for Latin America in late Feb '10. There are currently candidates for Fall grants. John will email these to the Board on Nov. 9th and Board will vote on the 16th.
- G. Events-
 - a. Brunch at St. Frances Brewery 11/7 10am-1pm with set up at 9:30am and brunch beginning at 1030am. Panelists are all set. Beth will email Mary about table decorations (regional papers) and collapsible MPCA display. Bethany to ask Amy about PC banner. Family of currently serving PCVs and prospective received postcard about brunch and potluck. Bethany to call Dan O’Rourke to talk to him about coming to the family brunch. Beth will send email again to listserve that the brunch is \$14 in advance or \$15 at the door. Bethany and Beth discussed the list of things/tasks for the brunch including: setup, registration, greeters, tear

down, decorations, list of current members, name tags, markers, RSVP list, and cash box. Alex to bring spreadsheet for moneys received to Brunch and Potluck.

- b. Potluck at Gordon Park Lodge on December 12th from 7pm-10pm with the doors open at 6pm for set-up.
 - c. Opportunities for others to help will be added to the website. Beth will email Chris assistance needed for upcoming events.
- H. Website-No updates since Chris revamped the website since the September meeting.
- I. Historian-No updates.
- J. Mike Farmer-Gave information to Bethany about the 50th anniversary of Peace Corps. Mike suggested people book early for their hotels. Bethany to ask Allegra for update from MPCA. 50th anniversary celebrations in the U.S. to include the University of Michigan on 10/14/10, the Kennedy Library on 03/05/11 and the National Mall from 9/22-9/25/11 in DC.

Minutes submitted by Katie Decker.

Next meeting Nov. 16 at the East Side Library

December meeting-none

January-01/09 -1100am-300pm (tentatively at Dzidra's house)