# MACA BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 19, 2017

On September 19, 2017, the regular business meeting of the MACA Board of Directors was called to order by President J.T. Taylor at 1:30 pm at the Oasis Ramada in Springfield, Missouri.

Attendance was taken by Lorraine Lester, MACA Secretary. Board members present were President J.T. Taylor, Vice President Nycole Griffin, Secretary Lorraine Lester, Treasurer Carmen Skelly, Mark Hastings, Christine Portmann, Holly Bowie, Beth Gillespie, Brandon Anderson, Shari Pijut, and Teresa Gilley. With all board members present there was no motion to excuse absent board members.

There were no non-voting committee chairs present. Jeff Lee has resigned from the positions committee according to President J.T. Taylor due to personal reasons.

There were no recognized guests.

A motion to accept the proposed agenda (or amended) was by Carmen Skelly, second by Shari Pijut. The agenda passed unanimously.

The last business meeting minutes, which had been previously read by the board members, was opened for discussion. A motion to approve the minutes as written (or amended) was by Brandon Anderson, second by Shari Pijut. The minutes passed unanimously.

The electronic minutes of the vote on Shawna Walker's resignation, which had been previously read by the board members was opened for discussion. A motion to approve the minutes as written was by Brandon Anderson, second by Teresa Gilley. The minutes passed unanimously.

There were no Membership comments from the floor except that the lunch was good.

Executive Officer's Reports:

President Report – J.T. Taylor had nothing to report Vice President Report – Nycole Griffin had nothing to report.

Secretary – Lorraine Lester had nothing to report.

Treasurer – Carmen Skelly stated the MACA account balanced against the 8-31-2017 bank statement is \$39,911.29. As of 9-15-2017 the balance in the Main MACA account was \$38,911.29. The Certification account balanced against the 8-31-2017 bank statement \$3,228.50. As of 9-15-2017 the balance in the Certification account was \$3,732.20. The PayPal account has \$0.00 balance monies due MACA as 9-15-2017. Our 990 has successfully been filed by Sarah Burkemper, CPA. The Biennial

registration with the Secretary of State has been updated as required for August 2017. The next Biennial registration will be due August 2019. The 2016 and 2017 Excel sheets for each account are attached for review by the general membership if requested. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Shari Pijut, second by Lorraine Lester. The treasurer's report passed unanimously.

## Board Member Committee Reports:

Awards – J.T. Taylor thanked Christine and Carmen for picking up the awards. He spoke about the Academy Awards presentation format. Rick Smith is not coming to the conference; Christine will be accepting his award.

Certification – Christine reported certification class in Harrisonville, MO is scheduled for October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. There are 5 registered at this time. 360 flyers were mailed to animal control agencies and animal shelters last week. Hopefully many more will attend the training. The cost of the class is \$140.00 and can be taken by certified officers' to earn CEU's and they would not be required to take the test. Reminders were sent out on October 1<sup>st</sup> for members who are due to recertify. The certification board will be discussing where the 2018 classes will be held at the bi-annual board meeting on October 24, 2017. Any suggestions would be appreciated.

Constitution and Bylaws – Brandon reported that the board made changes to Section 2 Article 4 for typos. His old computer died in July so he put it on the other computer. Changes were made to Article11, Section 5 also to correct typos. The date read 2012 which was incorrect, so it was changed to 2017 and will be ready to sign this week by the President and Secretary. Carmen asked if the new changes had been sent to the Secretary of State. There was a discussion on how often the changes have to be sent to the Secretary of State. Brandon said he would send the changes to the Secretary of State. The website is updated. There was discussion on Article 12 about the committee that was to investigate the board member. There was a suggestion that the committee be comprised of membership persons and not just board members, but headed by a board member. There was discussion of article 12 being amended to reflect this.

Historian and Photographer – Mark reported that he got a new camera. The camera model is a Canon T6. He built a doghouse for dog tags to be displayed at our booth. He also has a flash drive of pictures from 2009 thru present to use on a computer if desired. Holly mentioned that Pet-link would like a photo of the person who wins the scanner that they donated.

Legislations – Shari stated that she has nothing to report.

Membership – Holly stated that Kansas City hasn't paid their July membership dues which totals about 10 members. There was a discussion whether or not Kansas City paid for the memberships or the animal control officers pays their own. J.T, stated that about 387 membership letters had been sent out in the last 2 months with about 12 coming back. Make sure to update emails when registering.

Merchandise – Beth stated that we have lots of new merchandise. She ordered blankets, jackets, flash drives, tie dye shirts, and camo shirts. The merchandise will be to marked up 30%. She will let Gina know the prices so she can update the website. Every speaker and the conference attendees will receive a package of cookies. A reimbursement was offered for the cookies and Beth would not take a reimbursement. The company that printed tee shirts for merchandise has corrected the offset logo that was discovered upon delivery of the board member apparel order.

Newsletter- J.T. reported that the newsletter is current through August and he is working on the September issue pending the outcome of the annual conference.

Nominations – J.T. reported that Jeff Lee withdrew his candidacy. There will be three different ballots to pass out. There was a discussion about the Vice President vacancy if Nycole accepts the nomination for President. There was also a discussion regarding Kyle Held, he is member in good standing, but the board has not received written confirmation from his boss "Kat." A text was sent

to Kat and she confirmed he would be able to attend board meetings as needed. Kyle will not be at the conference because he is in South Carolina in response to the current Hurricane. The slate for nominations is: President – J.T. Taylor and Nycole Griffin, Board Members – Mark Hastings, Dan St. Lawrence, Kyle Held, Teresa Gilley, and Sandy Alexander. A motion to accept the slate was made by Lorraine Lester, and a second by Shari Pijut. The nominations slate passed unanimously.

Scholarships – Teresa stated that she has nothing to Report.

Social Media – J.T. reported that Nycole has been made administrator but cannot act as an administrator for 30 days due to Facebook rules. She can post but cannot delete or add people. The Facebook page received five new likes this week.

SOP – Teresa stated she has nothing to report.

Vendors – Holly reported that we have catchpoles (3) tall & short and lots of stuff to give away. Someone will have to to purchase some gift cards for the scavenger hunt. We have 8 vendors registered for the conference. Tomahawk will need two tables. The other vendors are Shor-line, Pethealth, Humane Society of Missouri, , Puppies for Parole, MAAL, and Humane Society of the United States. Jackson Creek has a table but may not be coming. Swag bags have been put together with some awesome stuff. Christine mentioned that the Humane Society of Missouri has 50 T-shirts and a microwave to give away. The t-shirts are from small to 2XL, and will be placed on the table to give away when registering. The conference books have a sponsorship page thanking all the conference sponsors.

## Non-Board Member Committee Reports

Website – Gina: The website is current with all information. Gina is unable to find anything wrong with the site and submitting items. A discussion was had with Gina

about putting power point presentations on the website. She said it can be done but will take up a lot of space. She was concerned about getting permission from the presenter and if it is fair to attendees that non attendees can get it also.

Positions – Jeff: J.T. reported that Jeff Lee has resigned. He is turning the Positions Committee into Resources Committee.

Special Committee Reports
Disciplinary Committee Report- Nothing to Report.

Old Business

SOP Handbook – tabled until next 2017-2018 board.

#### **New Business**

It was reported that 57 attendees are registered but three have canceled who were one day attendees so there will not be any. . 50 attendees are now registered. John Griffin will not be speaking at the conference but Gary Quinn will be here. Nycole reported that each board member has their own conference manual so don't give yours away. There are days and times each board member will work at the conference and what they will be doing. Bingo will not include the board members and have a really nice gift basket to give away for Bingo winner. All vendors will have the dabbers for Bingo. The books and name tags are done. Help is needed this evening setting up the room that the conference will be in. We should get the room around 7 pm. The scavenger hunt will be on the hotel property Wednesday evening. Board Members will be team leaders. We will give out two drink tickets and after that there will be a cash bar. We will need ten, \$10.00 gift cards, Batteries – AAA and AA, and an SD card. The board members will wear polo shirts on Thursday, the purple paw print tee shirt on Wednesday, and the camo blue tee shirt on Friday. Nycole reported there are ten golden paws in the membership books to allow the attendees that receive them to win prizes. Last year's business meeting minutes are being put in the books for membership to read for the business meeting. We are also putting in a page about Rodger J. Cecil who passed away.

Announcements: No announcements

#### Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Christine, second by Nycole. It passed unanimously.

Adjourned by President at 3:30 pm.