

MSSFA State Board Meeting
MUCC Headquarters, Lansing Mi.
Dec. 3, 2008

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Rick Balabon with a 14 member quorum present.

Presidents Report (Balabon)... The MUCC will change the affiliated chapter regulations, effective October 2009. Clubs will be required to have 100% member participation with a cost of \$5.00 per member. The member benefit will include a digital copy of the "Michigan Out of Doors" magazine. A hard copy of the magazine will have to be purchased for \$20.00 per year. The 2009 year MSSFA State Board meeting dates will be (Sat./Jan. 24, 10am; Wed./March 18, 7pm; Wed./May 20, 7pm; Wed./August 5, 7pm; Wed./Sept. 23, 7pm; Wed./Nov. 9, 7pm). All meetings will be held at the MUCC headquarters in Lansing, Mi..

Minutes (Sickon)... Motion (Saladine) to accept the Minutes as corrected... Second (Pietela)...passed.

Financial Report (Haddad)... YTD income \$xxxxx.00... YTD expenses (\$xxxxxxx)... Balance is \$xxxxxxx.

Old Business

- 1- Website Update (Haddad)... Greg Gumbrecht will be assuming responsibility for the membership records.
- 2- It Pays to Belong (Davis)... Local chapters can report to Renee if there are any changes to their vendor list.
- 3- Membership Challenge (Hoort)... The prize drawings for the local chapter high recruitment winners will be held during the January Presidents Meeting.
- 4- Passport to Giving Report (Pilara)... program is still under review.

Communications & Letters (Balabon)... The Battle Creek chapter has a 100 year old active member of the MSSFA. Motion (Saladine) to appropriate \$50.00 for a plaque to be made that expresses our appreciation for his many years of support Second (Potts)...passed.

New Business

- 1- Spring Show Events (Haddad)... the orders for extra show issue state newspapers has been placed. Chapters can pick the papers up at the January state board meeting.
- 2- Communications Committee (Pilara)... the state newspapers are starting to get on time delivery.
- 3- Fundraising (Haddad)... Motion (Potts) to appropriate \$xxxx.00 for the purchase of decals that will be made available to the chapters.

Legislative Report (Merckel)... A meeting between the DNR, MSSFA, and State Representatives to discuss the funding of a geothermal well pumping system for the Thompson Creek Hatchery is scheduled. If implemented, the pumping system will allow year round production of Steelhead. The 3rod / 6hook regulation has been made official.

DNR Fisheries Reports

- 1- Lake Huron (Merckel)... Frank Krist is the new chairman of the Lake Huron committee. 700,000 Lake Herring eggs are in the Wolf Lake hatchery for a trial run. If successful, they will be planted in Lake Huron.
- 2- Lake Michigan (Pilara)... A draft announcement will be made in the near future that addresses a DNR plan to write a comprehensive fish management strategy. Surveys will be utilized with the general public, anglers, and charter boat owners. Web posted (hot links) to information concerning research results on fish population trends as well as other detailed reports, will be made available to survey participants. This process will be used for Lake Michigan and Lake Huron DNR officials to develop lake-wide fish management goals and objectives.

Good of the Order

Holland has received a \$xxxxxx.00 grant from the Great Lakes Fisheries Trust to construct a fish cleaning station.

Respectfully Yours,
Gerald Sickon, MSSFA Sec.