BOARD MEETING – EMBASSY SUITES, DUBLIN, OH, JULY 19, 2012

President Angie Zeleznik welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. In addition to the executive board members, the education committee members were invited to this meeting.

Secretary Janice Speicher called roll call. Absent were education committee members Ruth Ann Ross, Groveport, and Sherryl George, Delphos.

ATTENDEES:

Angie Zeleznik, President, Independence Cathy Hilbert, Vice President, Dublin Marcia Soos, Treasurer, Shadyside Molly Schwartz, CE rep, Pickerington Mary Ellen Foster, NE rep, Macedonia Linda Lutts, Sharonville Penny Winters, New Albany

Clyde Bellinger, Past-President, Coldwater Joyce Remec, Educ. Committee Chair, Richfield

Janice Speicher, Secretary, Dublin June Allison, SW rep, Yellow Springs Kathy Kaluger, SE rep, St. Clairsville Becky Rosenbalm, Monroe

Robin Kemp, Amberley Village

NEW BUSINESS:

Membership and Regions

Some interest arose at the 2012 spring conference regarding creating new regions since some of the regions are so large. Cathy Hilbert distributed information she obtained from a survey sent to the clerks in the state as well as proposed changes to the regions. The members discussed increasing membership and if changing the regions would have any effect on regional meetings.

Cathy Hilbert motioned to ask each region to reach out to the non-members and if they decide there is an issue in getting to the regional meetings, to notify the board. June Allison seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Treasurer Marcia Soos presented the treasurer's report dated July 2012, with an ending balance of \$8338.12. The Kent State conference expenses are all paid. The association

incurred additional expenses for the Kent State conference due to paying \$100.00 towards each member's registration and additional costs for the anniversary recognition.

Combining Local and State dues

Angie presented an idea submitted by Cathy Hilbert to simplify dues by combining local and state membership dues. Both would go to the state and Marcia would return the local dues to the region.

After discussion, Kathy Kaluger motioned to leave the dues separate with a second from Mary Ellen Foster. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Marcia stated that in the past, regions have sent contributions to the state association's treasury. It was decided that each regional representative may discuss this with their region and allow that region to decide about sending funds to the state.

<u>Legislative Update:</u>

Linda Lutts discussed the following legislation:

- SB 337, goes into effect September 28, 2012, changes expungements (if previous conviction is MM, then a defendant could get another MM conviction expunged); drug paraphernalia with marijuana is going to be a MM; failure to comply has a class 5 suspension and the sentencing court may grant limited driving privileges; makes more driving under suspensions unclassified; eliminated some mandatory court suspensions and the court can order community service instead.
- SB 254, still in committee; raises population requirement from 100 to 200 for a municipality to have a mayor's court
- HB 523, assigned to the judiciary committee; raised the population requirement to 1000 for a municipality to have a mayor's court

Angie spoke with Edward Albright at the Ohio Municipal League. He said these are not big issues for the legislature. He believes the legislature will be busy with the pension bill and turnpike issue. At the end of the year these bills will expire. We do need to be diligent about watching this type of legislation and Angie asked whether we want to hire a lobbyist.

Marcia Soos motioned to not hire a lobbyist with a second from Molly Schwartz. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Protocol for Researching Conference Facilities

Angie stated that we needed to discuss protocol when it comes to researching a conference facility. The Islander Inn at Put-in-Bay and the Kalahari Resort at Sandusky contacted the education committee chair and invited her for a preview, which was accepted. Cathy Hilbert and Penny Winters brought this to the board to see if this presented an issue. The group discussed if there are any ethical concerns with accepting complimentary hotel and meals while researching conference facilities. Two attendees, Cathy Hilbert and Penny Winters, left the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Angie asked if anyone on the board would wish to seek an opinion from the Ohio Ethics Commission. Joyce presented documentation that she reimbursed both Kalahari and the Islander Inn and she did not solicit these offers. Joyce stated they did not influence her decision, in fact, she chose not to go with either hotel.

Angie called for a vote of the members: anyone in favor of seeking an opinion --say yea --there were none. Anyone not in favor of seeking an opinion--say nay--there were seven (7) nays. The vote is to not seek an opinion from the Ohio Ethics Commission.

Although this is a normal course of business for hotels and conference facilities, Angie appointed a subcommittee to address possible changes to the bylaws about accepting meals and lodging as well as a protocol for researching conference facilities. She appointed Clyde Bellinger, Robin Kemp, Janice Speicher, Becky Rosenbalm and Linda Lutts to the committee.

Education Committee Report:

Joyce Remec introduced two new members to the education committee: Robin Kemp of Amberly Village and Becky Rosenbalm of Monroe. The fall conference is set for Thursday, September 13, 2012 and Friday, September 14, 2012 at the Embassy Suites in Dublin, Ohio.

The spring 2013 conference is scheduled for Thursday, May 2, 2013 and Friday, May 3, 2013 at Put- in-Bay. The hotel is the Bayshore and they are offering a room rate of \$75.00.

The fall 2013 conference is scheduled for Thursday, September 19, 2013 and Friday, September 20, 2013 at the Embassy Suites in Dublin.

Marcia will send out the registration letter for the fall 2012 conference as soon as she gets the information from the education committee.

Molly Schwartz motioned to adjourn the meeting with a second from June Allison. The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Speicher Secretary

Note: Penny Winters submitted her resignation from the education committee via an e-mail dated 7/11/12.

Cathy Hilbert submitted her resignation as Vice President of the AMCCO and also from the education committee via an e-mail dated 7/19/12.