EDUCATION MINNESOTA RETIRED BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DATE: Monday, August 19, 2013 • 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Present: President Walt Munsterman, Vice President Dick Mans, Treasurer Boy Toy, Secretary Lowell Ueland, Past President Larry Koenck, Ed Mikulich, Wes Hanna, Jerry Klebs, Joanie Clark, Julie Jagusch, Alice Faribault, Judy Rohde, Myrna Doran, Lois Wendt, Joan Beaver, John Lipke, Roberta Margo, Joe Moren, Susan Brewer, Lori Nord

Other: Paul Mueller (Education Minnesota Vice President), Shelley MacDonald (staff), Ed Rapp, Betty Toy

Excused: Warren Misiewicz,

Absent: Charles Hellie

A Quorum is present.

The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m. by the President, Walt Munsterman.

Motion by Joe Moren; second by Jerry Klebs to accept the agenda with additions, Motion approved.

Motion by John Lipke; second by Dick Mans to approve the minutes as presented. with corrections, Motion approved.

The **Financial Report** was presented by Treasurer Boy Toy (See Green Sheet) with discussion Motion by Ed Mikulich; second by Lois Wendt to receive and file the Financial Report. Motion passed.

Officer Reports:

President: President Walt Munsterman - Wrote Grant to AFT for recruiting - Wrote Grant to NEA for recruiting - Reported the resignation of Susan Brewer (She is moving to Florida) - Will need a replacement - Reported on pension issues and Labor History Education - Discussed Marti Zins TRA Report and news reports on pension issues.

Vice President: Vice President Dick Mans - Worked with Walt at St. Ben's Conference

Treasurer: Treasurer Boy Toy - Discussed financial report earlier on agenda

Secretary: Secretary Lowell Ueland - No Report

TRA: Marti Zins (See Report included in packet)

Education Minnesota Officer Liaison: Paul Mueller reported on his busy summer with many activities. Fall schedule is full. Talked about advanced organizing for negotiations success and the 2014 political program.

Education Minnesota Staff Liaison: Shelley MacDonald reported on ESI activities and ESI's efforts to increase Retired membership, including articles in the *Minnesota Educator publication*.

Guests: Education Minnesota President Denis Specht addressed the Retired Governing Board.

Dayonna Knutson Report: (Director of Education Minnesota Foundation) Talked about setting up Retired contributions. (See Written Report) - willing to work Retired on setting up their own foundation 501(c3) There is a possibility of setting up a separate account within the Education Minnesota Foundation structure to specify where Retired funds go. **Larry Koenck** mentioned Statewide Student organization. President Walt Munsterman appointed a task force to work on the program: Lowell Ueland, Judy Rhode, John Lipke, Dick Mans and President Munsterman

Old Business:

Fall Conference 2013 (Update) Lois Wendt reported on the fall conference at Mystic Casino - Agenda is set and speakers are committed - reported that we need 75 attendees to break even.

Fall Breakfast 2013 (Update) Lois Wendt reported that the breakfast will be at the Science Museum - In the process of contacting 2014 political candidates for speakers at the breakfast

AFT Grant Proposal - Covered in President's Report

Other: None

New Business:

NEA National Conference Delegates Report - Reported that it was a positive experience - Paul appreciated the work the delegates did on his behalf in his election to the NEA Executive Cmte (He fell short) - Each delegate reported.

Election Timelines for the Fall EdMN - R - Motion by Joe Moren; second by Ed Mikulich to approve the timelines as presented. Motion approved. President, Vice President, Even numbered Congressional Districts up for election - Also, at Large for 1 year and at Large for 3 year term.

Budget for 2013-2014 - Motion by Ed Mikulich; second by Joan Clark to adopt the budget with flexibility as presented. Motion approved.

Election of delegates to the AFL/CIO Retiree Council Annual Meeting (September 25, 2013-Sheet Metal Workers Local 10 Hall, 1681 Cope Ave, Maplewood, MN 55109 (10 Delegates with fee paid of \$20. Nominations: Joan Clark, Warren Misiewicz, John Lipke, Larry Koenck, Jerry Klebs, Dick Mans, Joe Moren, Walt Munsterman, Ed Rapp, Lois Wendt, Dan Mikel. Motion to fund delegates \$20 for fee made by Dick Mans; second by Lois Wendt to approve. Motion approved. Motion by Dick Mans; to pay \$100 for Affiliation dues to AFL/CIO Retiree Council, Motion Passed.

Letter of resignation from Susan Brewer. Motion by Joe Moren; second by Joan Clark to accept resignation. Motion approved. Letter of appreciation will be give Susan for her service to EdMN - R. Sharon Kjellberg has shown interest.

Other: Ed Rapp reported on the need to spend more money on pensions (See Written Report)

Congressional District Reports:

District 1: Ed Mikulich - Fund raiser for Walz in district - Amy K in Clear Lake, IA

District 1: (Vacant) - No Report

District 2: Wes Hanna - Political Contribution Refund is back

District 2: Jerry Klebs - 3 DFL Candidates after Kline's Seat - Obermueller best candidate

District 3: Joanie Clark - Sad time for CD 3 in Congress

District 3: Julie Jagusch - No DFL candidate in CD 3

District 4: Alice Faribault - Quiet in CD 4

District 4: Judy Rohde - Betty McCullough never takes anything for granted

District 5: Myrna Doran - CD 5 committed to Rank Voting

District 5: Lois Wendt - No Report

District 6: Joan Beaver - Reported on Washington County political activities

District 6: Warren Misiewicz - No report

District 7: Charles Hellie - Absent - No Report

District 7: John Lipke - DFL not well organized in McLeod County

District 8: Roberta Margo - No report

District 8: Joe Moren - Several fund raisers in the district

At Large: Susan Brewer - No report

At Large: Lori Nord - No report

Standing Committees Reports:

Finance: Boy Toy - Finance Cmte Budget Actions

Membership: Dick Mans - Thanks to people working ESI workshops

Program: Joan Clark - Lois Wendt - Already Reported

Communications: Susan Brewer - Cmte met before Board Mtg - discussed several things

Resolutions: Ed Rapp - Goal to get more involved - talked about TRA increases

Nominations: Betty - Joan Clark, Betty Toy - No report Governmental Relations: Joan Beaver - No report By-Laws: Don Holman - Not present - No Report Local Chapters: Chuck Hellie - Absent - No Report

Professional Advocacy: Judy Rohde - First meeting is on September 14

Announcements: Larry Koenck announced that he is running for President of EdMN - R; Dick Mans, also, announced that he is running for EdMN - R Vice President

Meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m. by President Munsterman

Future Board Meeting Dates: Nov 18, 2013; Feb 10, 2014; May 20, 2014 and the annual meeting April 25, 2014

Respectfully Submitted, Lowell Ueland, Secretary