

**EDUCATION MINNESOTA RETIRED  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

*Education Minnesota Headquarters, 41 Sherburne Avenue, St. Paul  
(Meeting in Conference Room I)*

**DATE: Monday, August 24, 2015 • 10:00 am – 3:00 pm**

**Present:** President Larry Koenck, Vice President Julie Jagusch , Past President Walt Munsterman, Treasurer Lynette Wayne, Secretary Lowell Ueland, Ed Mikulich - 1, Cathy Stringfield – 1, Wes Hanna - 2, Jerry Klebs - 2, Judy Rohde - 4, Sharon Kjellberg - 4, Myrna Doran - 5, Lois Wendt - 5, Warren Misiewicz - 6, Charles Hellie - 7, John Lipke - 7, Bobby Margo - 8, Jan Cummings - 8, Sandy Skaar – At Large, Lori Nord At Large, Boy Toy

**Other:** Betty Toy (Cmte Mbr), Matt Blewett (Retired Staff Liaison), Christine Thornborrow (Retired Staff Liaison), Marty Zins (TRA Rep), Laurie Hacking (TRA Executive Director) and Luther Thompson (Asst. Executive Director, Legal and Legislative Services)

**Not Present:** Bonnie Herman – 3, Jean Scheu – 3, Joan Beaver - 6

*A quorum is present.*

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Larry Koenck

**Items to be added to the Agenda:** Under New Business: Finance Policy, Resolutions Vacancy, UCare

**Adoption of the August 24, 2015 Agenda:** Motion by Myrna Doran, second by Sharon Kjellberg to accept the agenda with additions. Motion approved.

**Approval of the May 18, 2015 Minutes:** Motion by Jerry Kleb, second by Walt Munsterman to approve the minutes as presented with corrections. Motion approved.

**Approval of the July 16, 2015 Special Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Sharon Kjellberg, second by Charles Hellie to approve the minutes as presented with corrections. Motion approved.

**Financial Report:** The Financial Report was presented by Treasurer Lynette Wayne. (See Green Sheet in Folder) Motion by Julie Jagusch, second by Judy Rohde to receive and file the Financial Report. Motion passed.

**Officer Reports:**

**President: President Larry Koenck:** Reported on AFL-CIO Retired Conf., AFL-CIO Retired Council, Fall Conf., DNC Meeting in Minneapolis, Don Boyer (Cancer)

**Vice President: Julie Jagusch:** Reported Student Reorganizing, Attending Retired NEA Cong., NEA RA and International Education Meeting.

**Treasurer: Lynette Wayne** - Financial report was given earlier in the agenda

**Secretary: Lowell Ueland:** Commented on the need to deal with the retired out in nether land who are not members and what do we want from our members in the GR arena.

**TRA: Marti Zins** (See written report in packet) TRA for Education Minnesota Retired by Martha Lee (Marti) Zins: On TRA Legislation, TRA raise Executive Salary consistent with the Governor's staff recommendation on July 1 and MMB's Hays study, PERA is still without an Executive Director because of salary issues, Problem with 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Venders (Subs) and looking into the expansion of pre-school teachers.

**Education Minnesota – Retired Staff Liaison: Matt Blewett** – Reported: Sign up for Fall Conference (Chase's), 3 - Ring binders and the contents.

## **Old Business:**

- 1. Committee Vacancies:** Add Julie Jagusch to Resolutions Committee. No one has volunteered to be the chair of the committee. President Koenck will call a meeting of the committee to deal with resolutions, issues and appointment of a chair.
- 2. 2015 Retired Fall Conference Update:** (New Location – Chase on the Lake near Walker, MN – Sept 14 thru 16) – Bring a door prize. There were approximately 30 signed up for the conference.
- 3. 2015 Retired Fall Breakfast Update:** Will be at the Science Museum. The speaker will be .....
- 4. NEA Retired Conference- March 22-24, 2015 (San Diego, CA)**
- 5. Other:**

## **New Business:**

1. **10:30 TRA Presentation:** Laurie Hacking (TRA Executive Director) and Luther Thompson (Asst. Executive Director, Legal and Legislative Services) presented an excellent presentation on TRA. It was the first presentation to TRA stakeholders for the coming year. It was very well done without the PowerPoint presentation. It was very informative. It appears TRA is in good shape at this time. Many questions were answered.
2. **AFL-CIO Retiree Annual Meeting (elect 10 delegates) 9/23/15:** The meeting will be at Sheet Metal Workers Building in Maplewood. Start time is 10:00 AM. EdMN-R has 10 delegates to the Annual Meeting. Registration fee is covered by EdMN-R. Motion by Walt Munsterman, second by Lois Wendt to fund up to 15 people for this meeting. Motion approved.
3. **2016 Retired Political Conference:** It is EdMN-Rs turn to put on the conference in 2016. The details and the agenda will be discussed by the GRC meeting on September 3<sup>rd</sup>.
4. **Resolutions Committee chair:** No chairperson so the agenda was moved to the next item.
5. **Education Minnesota – Retired Financial Policy:** Treasurer Lynette Wayne presented the Draft policy to the board for questions and discussion. Motion by Lowell Ueland and seconded by Walt Munsterman to approve the Education Minnesota – Retired Financial Policy with changes. Motion approved.
6. **UCare:** Boy Toy report on the UCare issues and asked for support. Boy is a member of the Health Insurance Advisory Committee.
7. **Other:** None

### **Congressional District Reports:**

- District 1: Ed Mikulich - No Report
- District 1: Kathy Stringfield – No Report
- District 2: Wes Hanna - No Report
- District 2: Jerry Klebs – No Report
- District 3: Jean Scheu – No Report

- District 3: Bonnie Herman – No Report
- District 4: Sharon Kjellberg – No Report
- District 4: Judy Rohde – No Report
- District 5: Myrna Doran – No Report
- District 5: Lois Wendt – No Report
- District 6: Joan Beaver – No Report
- District 6: Warren Misiewicz – No Report
- District 7: Charles Hellie – No Report
- District 7: John Lipke – No Report
- District 8: Roberta Margo – No Report
- District 8: Jan Cummings – No Report
- At Large: Sandy Skaar - No Report
- At Large: Lori Nord – No Report

### **Standing Committees Reports:**

**Membership:** (Dick Mans) - No Report

**Program:** (Lois Wendt) – Reported earlier on the agenda

**Communications:** (Myrna Doran) – Presented the Commination’s Committee Guidelines to the Board. Wanted some direction from the Board. Motion by Lowell Ueland, seconded by Walt Munsterman to bring the Commination’s Committee Guidelines to the Board at the next meeting for further action. Motion Approved. Discussed grant projects.

**Resolutions:** Will meet at the call of Present Koenck.

**Nominations and Elections:** (Boy Toy, Betty Toy) – No Report

**Governmental Relations:** (Joan Beaver) – No Report

**Professional Advocacy:** (Judy Rhode) – Judy has been reappointed. She will chair the Committee. First meeting will be September 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **Special Committees Reports:**

**Bylaws:** (Walt Munsterman) –No Report until meeting with Education Minnesota Present Denise Specht on September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Local Chapters:** (Chuck Hellie) – No Report

**Announcements:** September 10-11 Meeting AFL-CIO Political Conference at the Assn. of Nurses. We can send four people to attend the AFL-CIO Political Conference. Motion by Julie Jagusch, Seconded by Sharon Kjellberg to fund four people to attend the conference. Motion Approved.

**Meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.** by President Larry Koenck

**Future Board Meeting Dates:**

- November 16, 2015
- February 15, 2016
- April 29, 2016
- May 16, 2016

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lowell Ueland, Secretary