

MEMO 2002 General Membership Meeting
Friday, October 4, 2002, 4:00 p.m.
Thunderbird Hotel, Bloomington, MN

Minutes

1. Call to order - The meeting was called to order by presidents Galles and Beck.
2. Adoption of the agenda - The agenda was adopted as presented.
3. Reports.
 - A. Treasurer's report - Kelly Sharkey prepared a fiscal budget report for July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003. Bull moved, Prestebak seconded a motion to approve the report. Motion passed.
 - B. Co-Presidents report - Becky Beck and Gay Galles reported that they have been working on building membership. They also reported on the summer leadership conference, a grant for \$2000 for communications, and the Minnesota Library Council. Steltzner and Smalley represent MEMO and media specialists on the council.
 - C. Past Presidents report - Nancy Evans and Sue Meyer talked about the need to find new leadership to the organization. Currently the organization is looking for a new treasurer and president-elect.
 - D. President-Elect's report - Doug Johnson spoke of the need to find someone to take over the publication of *Memorandum* while he served as president. He would like to see the summer leadership conference return to a conference where members can receive the training in the leadership skills they need to run the organization. Johnson plans to review the by-laws and put together a conference-planning document.
 - E. Communications Committee report - Doug Johnson thanked the contributors to past issues of *Memorandum*. Lars Steltzner reported that some issues of *Memorandum* will be published electronically and others will be published in paper. Laurie Conzemius spoke of plans for the 2003 issue of *Minnesota Media*, and Ken Corens about the *MT News*.
 - F. Conference Committees -
 1. Dave Henning and Ken Corens - Fall 2002. Johnson reported that he was pleased with the number of members attending the fall conference, and thanked the people for coming. One member expressed appreciation for e-mail information on sessions and post card reminders.
 2. Joan Larson - Alexandria. Larson is in charge of the 2003 MEMO Mid-winter Conference in Alexandria and would welcome help.
 3. Laurie Conzemius and Mary Garlie - Fall 2003 (Fargo, MN) Conzemius reported on plans for the Fall 2003 MEMO Conference in Fargo.
 - G. Legislative Committee report - Judy Bull reported that a state budget deficit of \$3 billion is predicted. One can expect taxes to go up. Everyone is waiting to see the results of the election and she urged members to keep talking to legislators. Bull also gave a summary of the MLA/ MEMO Legislative Platform.
 - H. Membership Committee - no report.
 - I. Nominations Committee report - Nancy Evans reported that members are being sought to serve as regional chairs.
 - J. Policies, Procedures and Bylaws Committee - no report.
 - K. RED Fund Committee report - Nancy Evans reported that she had not received any Red Fund applications.
 - L. Information Technology Committee - no report.
4. Region Updates - Region chairs were introduced and thanked.
5. Business Items.
6. Student Standing Task Force - Jane Prestebak spoke about what Wisconsin has done and urged Minnesota to do the same.
7. Adoption of the Legislative Platform - Judy Bull presented the 2003 MLA and MEMO Legislative Platform. Doug Johnson moved and Conzemius seconded a motion that the platform be adopted with the addition of a plank supporting the completion and dissemination of a state technology plan. The motion passed.
8. Other - Beck thanked past presidents Meyer and Evans for their leadership through a difficult time for the organization. Conzemius urged members to write articles for *Minnesota Media 2003*.
9. Adjournment. The meeting was formally adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Douglas Howard
MEMO Secretary