**MOUNTAIN PLAINS NAHRO**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**March 25, 2012- 11:30 pm – 12:45 pm**

**Meeting Room 2**

**Renaissance Hotel, Washington DC**

I. Call to Order, Roll Call, Introduction of Guests

II. Approval of Minutes from February 8, 2012- Salt Lake City

Ann Horton moved for approval and Terry Hanson seconded. All approved and motion

passed.

III. President’s Report

1. Don reviewed the Strategic Plan Overview/ Business Model that was adopted a few years ago in Helena, Montana. This plan was discussed at our Legislative meeting in Salt Lake City last month. From that plan, a list of strategic plan objectives was developed and discussed as a framework going forward.

* Barb Cook recommended that we have meeting materials in advance so members can review and respond with comments and recommendations.
* Dave Martens suggested that we also schedule a conference call in advance.
* Julie Brewen will work with her IT department to develop a way to collect housing articles from other housing authorities in our region so we can all view them. Dave Martens will set up a link to housing articles via the MPNAHRO website.
* An Advocacy Tool kit to link MPNAHRO to the NAHRO website was recommended by Ismael Guerrero.
* Don May recommended a subcommittee to look at what it would take and how it would be facilitated to develop a tool kit on our website. Don would like ideas and samples from each state to include: Ismael/CO, Lucy/MT, Lynelle/UT, Matt/SD, Lynn/ND and Mike/WY.

1. State Chapter Bylaw Amendment Status

MPNAHRO is trying to align their appointments with the National time frame. All states were asked to check their bylaws to see if they are aligned or could be aligned. Revonda reminded everyone that these must first be sent to Lori Myers-Carpenter before there can be any changes. Then back to the state for voting, then to MPNAHRO and then to member services for their approval before the state can implement any changes. Don recommends that all states have it on their state meeting agendas. The goal is to have them all completed by the end of 2012.

IV. Treasurer’s Report

1. YTD Report

US Bank Checking- $20,533 and US Bank CD $25,382= $45,915

YTD P&L -$17,000 (This is because membership dues have not yet been received).

John Stengle made a motion to accept the financial report and Patty Webster seconded it. All members voted to accept and motion was passed.

Dave recommends that invoices for membership dues be sent with the existing fee structure.

1. Payment Procedure Changes

Dave’s check will go direct deposit beginning ASAP.

Dave will send bills/invoices to Don for approval and then Kim will issue a check after Don’s approval and send it back to Don for his final signature. This process will be done electronically.

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V. Old Business

1. By Laws Changes- Revonda-explained previously
2. Regional Membership Dues-tabled.
3. Co-ordinate State Terms with MPRC and NAHRO-see previously.
4. NPDS Licensure for Commissioner Training-Joan Smith is a trainer in our region. Dave is talking with NAHRO to see if they will grant our region a license to wave this. Joan and Matt volunteered to train commissioners.

VI. New Business

1. Legislative Strategy in DC

Don recognized Ismael for all his work as the Legislative Chair. There will be a meeting Monday, March 26th at 5:00 with HUD, meeting room 5. Milan Ozdinec, Director of HCV Programs will be meeting with us to discuss our recommended regulatory relief measures.

1. Housing America- Lori volunteered to head this.
2. RAD Comment Period-[**http://portal.hud.gov/huddoc/pih2012-18.pdf**](http://portal.hud.gov/huddoc/pih2012-18.pdf)

VII. Staff Report

1. Cody Conference Report-Dave reports everything is running smoothly. He has mailed out the registration brochures and 932 email invites. MPNAHRO received a $7,500 donation from American Express for scholarships. He is recommending 15-$500 scholarships available for attendees.

VIII. Committee Reports- Committee reports will be sent to Don electronically.

A. Housing Ann Horton

B. CR&D LuAnn Clark

C. Professional Development Sherry Scudder

D. Member Services Revonda Stordahl

E. Commissioners Joan Smith

F. B&A Barb Cook

G. International Ed Talbot

H. Legislative Network Ismael Guerrero

I. State Reports Chapter Presidents

IX. Next Meeting- Annual Membership Meeting, June 22 in Cody, Wyoming

X. Adjournment

Terry made the motion adjourn the meeting and Patti seconded the motion. All

members in favor and meeting adjourned.