

Minutes of the Middle Tennessee Public Purchasing Association

August 20, 2009



President Brian Wilcox called the chapter meeting to order at 11:55. Brian asked if there were any first time visitors or guests other than the speaker. There were no visitors or guests.

David Friedlander introduced the August guest speaker, Matt Kisber, Commissioner, Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development. Commissioner Kisber discussed various development projects being pursued by his department across the State of Tennessee. He also discussed recent commitments by businesses to locate in the TN area. The Commissioner stated that Forbes magazine has previously voted the State of TN as; "one of the best states to locate a business in". Forty five corporate headquarters have located in TN in the last six years. He credited this and future development in TN to all of Tennessee's three regions working together.

Following the program, Brian began the regular business meeting by requesting approval of the July 16 chapter meeting minutes. A motion to approve was made by Angie McDonald and seconded by Mike Spore. Motion was approved.

Brian then asked for approval of the Treasurer's Report dated August 19, 2009 as submitted. The treasurer's report was approved with a motion by Angie McDonald and seconded by Mike Spore.

Officer Reports were requested and are as follows:

VP of Programs: David Friedlander reported that the September meeting speaker will be Ms. Stephanie Creed, CPPO, CPPB, the NIGP national board member from our NIGP region and NIGP second Vice President, and he encouraged membership to attend. There was a suggestion made that the members ask her to discuss chapter fund raising.

Professional Development: Amanda Cochran reminded members that there is an upcoming emergency preparedness conference in East TN and the

event is free if registration is completed by the deadline. She also announced that there will be one more educational Leap class in the fall.

Membership: Christy Hensley not present.

Secretary: Casandra Swan no report.

Treasurer: Sondra Howe not present.

Committee Chairs Reports were requested and are as follows:

Purchasing Month Committee/ Webmaster/Photographer:

Angie McDonald no report.

Audit Committee Chair: Curry Corder not present.

Nominating Committee: Stan Melton not present.

Special Events Committee: Helen Crowley asked everyone what they would be willing to spend for the holiday event. Last year the December holiday event cost \$25.00 per person with the chapter paying \$5.00 of the \$25.00 for members. Membership voted to spend either \$20.00 to \$25.00 for the event in December.

Other or old business to be addressed included:

Brian reminded membership that he was leaving tomorrow to attend the 64th annual NIGP forum. He was attending on behalf of the Chapter and Sheila Douglas was attending on behalf of NES. He was going to ask at forum for fund raising idea suggestions.

Brian announced the MTPPA September meeting will recognize MTPPA's 29th anniversary.

Brian also reminded members about the East TN Purchasing Associations Emergency Preparedness conference to be held in Knoxville, TN on Oct. 14-15. Brian and Ralph Cross of UT-MTAS are attending this event.

Brian reminded members the TAPP 2009 fall conference is scheduled for 10/28-30 at the Music Road Hotel in Pigeon Forge.

Brian adjourned the meeting at 1:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Casandra Swan, MBA CPPB
MTPPA Secretary