

Minutes of the Middle Tennessee Public Purchasing Association

January 19, 2012



The January monthly meeting of MTPPA was held at Nashville Electric Service.

Attendance: 33

President Davita Brown called the meeting to order. First time attendee James Reyes of the State of Tennessee, Central Procurement Office's Director of Training and Compliance was introduced by Sondra Howe. The minutes of the November and December 2011 meetings were approved following the motion made by Stephen Yates and seconded by Angie McDonald. The 2011 Audit Chair, Bryan Gleason circulated a copy of the MTPPA 2011 Audit Report for their review with discussion to follow the guest speaker's presentation.

Vice President of Programs Michelle Lane introduced the guest speaker Nancy Whittemore . Ms. Whittemore is Metro Government's Director of General Services. Ms. Whittemore discussed examples of various Metro contracts, savings, and strategic sourcing

The President opened the business meeting by announcing the joint TAPP/MTPPA Spring Conference will be held April 25-27, 2012. Vice President of Professional Development Angie McDonald will be circulating a survey of NIGP one-day class offerings to determine the NIGP class that MTPPA will sponsor during the Spring Conference. Brian Wilcox announced that the TAPP Spring Conference will be held in Franklin, Tennessee. He extended TAPP's appreciation to NES for their hospitality and providing meeting area for TAPP's Spring Conferences the past two (2) years. Brian advised attendees that as plans for the TAPP Conference are finalized he would advise the MTPPA chapter.

Recent retirees Pat Edwards and Stan Melton submitted requests to receive Retired Membership status as allowed in the MTPPA Constitution. Motion was made by Brian Wilcox and seconded by Angie McDonald with a unanimous vote to accept Pat Edwards and Stan Melton as Retired Members.

Motion was made and unanimous vote received for the chapter to establish a post office box for the purpose of receiving all mail and consistency of address with the changing of officers. Treasurer Tamra Byrd advised the chapter that the semi-annual rental fee would be \$43.00 and chapter would receive two (2) keys. The Church Street Station Post Office will be utilized.

The President made a request for volunteers to chair the following committees: Directory/Photographer, Special Events, Fund Raising and Nominating. Bryon Gleason volunteered to chair the Special Events Committee.

Congratulations were extended to Brian Wilcox for obtaining the Certified Public Purchasing Officer certification.

Brian Wilcox thanked Bryan Gleason for conducting the 2011 Audit of the Chapter's financial records. President Davita Brown will prepare a response to the 2011 Audit Report. With the completion of the audit, the financial records will be handed over to 2012 Treasurer Tamara Byrd.

Past President Stephen Yates thanked the chapter for support during his term of office.

Bob Watkins, MNPS, announced that there is currently and Contact Agent position open with Metro Schools.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 PM .

Respectfully submitted,

Sondra Howe
Secretary MTTP