

Minutes of the Middle Tennessee Public Purchasing Association

My 17, 2012



The May monthly meeting of MTPPA was held at Nashville Electric Service (NES).

President Davita Brown called the meeting to order at 11:50 AM and welcomed all in attendance.

There were thirty-one (31) members/ regular attendees and four (4) guests in attendance. Stephen Reksten introduced guests Matt Ross, Andy Kidd, and Mike Moore from the State of Tennessee, Central Procurement Office. Ken Hampton from TDOT Maintenance was introduced as a guest attendee.

President Brown recognized Quinn Nowlin as one of the charter members of MTPPA and presented her with a framed copy of the March 1987 NIGP Nashville Middle Tennessee Chapter's Charter and a collage picture in honor of her retirement from State Government service. Those in attendance applauded Ms Nowlin's contributions to the chapter and to government purchasing profession.

Vice President of Programs, Michelle Lane introduced guest speaker Ken Murdock, Director Planning and Construction of Metro Nashville Public Schools. Mr. Murdock discussed items on MNPS's capital projects horizon and presented a forecast of future plans and construction. Mrs. Lane presented Mr. Murdock with a Certificate of Appreciation at the conclusion of his presentation.

President Brown began the business portion of the meeting by requesting a motion to approve the Minutes from the previous meeting. Angie McDonald made a motion to approve the Minutes from the April 2012 meeting. The motion was seconded by Helen Crowley. The minutes were approved. Randy Gannon made a motion to accept the April's Treasurer's Report with an ending balance of \$5,675.32. The minutes were approved as submitted.

President Brown advised the chapter of recent procurement legislation that was adopted by General Assembly regarding Cooperative Purchasing, and its effect on both city and county procurements. The Bill if enacted, revises provisions regarding cooperative purchasing agreements and county government purchasing in regard to the utilization of pricing discounts. The Chapter was advised that Senate Bill 2289/House Bill 2425 was being sent to the Governor for signature and would become law ten (10) days after his signature. President Brown reminded chapter members and guests how important it is that all governmental purchasing professionals stay informed on proposed legislation as not to blind sighted. It was suggested that the next monthly chapter meeting be devoted to roundtable discussion on how the chapter can be better be informed and proactive regarding legislation that impacts procurement.

There being no further business, Michelle Lane made a motion and it was seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 12:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Sondra Howe, CPPB, CPPD
Secretary MTPPA