

**Vision**

To be the Malcolm Baldrige of quality councils!

Mission

To promote quality by providing:

- KNOWLEDGE for improved community;
- RECOGNITION of excellence; and
- OPPORTUNITY to learn and network.

**Mankato Area Council for Quality
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 16, 2006
Jake's Stadium Pizza
Mankato, Minnesota
12:00 p.m.**

Present: Peggy Anderson, David Cowan, Ed Fahrforth, Jeff Halla, Jeff Poole, Carol Stallkamp, and Gloria Zachow.

President Jeff Halla welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from the meeting of September 21, 2006 were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Gloria Zachow reported a balance of \$4,083.18 in the checking account and a balance of \$597.74 in the savings account. (See attached report.) It was moved and seconded that the Council pay \$100 for membership in the Greater Mankato Economic Development Corporation. David Cowan will provide Gloria with an invoice to pay the outstanding printing bill at MSU of \$366.66 that had been approved for payment at the previous meeting.

Public Relations:

Chair, Peggy Anderson, reported that the committee had been busy with the Awards banquet. The Board discussed the Banquet and noted that it was an especially good event. Attendance was good, and the speaker was excellent. It was suggested that planning begin earlier next year. The Committee will send a thank you note to Dennis Dotson. Pictures of the event are on the Council's website.

Gloria asked if the Council wanted to continue to sponsor a hole at the MSU Golf Tournament. The Public Relations Committee will discuss and report back to the Council.

Education:

Jeff H. reported that the December event has been moved to January. There was no further information on plans for calendar year 2007. Peggy Anderson has been contacted by TUV. She will forward the information to Committee Chair, Jane Carter.

Membership:

There was no report from the Membership Committee. Chair, Amy Ites has asked to move from the Membership Committee to the Public Relations Committee.

Old Business:

Gloria is keeping the membership data base updated and will be sending out the 2007 invoices shortly. David agreed to draft a letter to go with the renewal invoices and a similar letter to go to former members.

New Business:

The Council will need to appoint a new chair for the Membership Committee. Please give suggestions to Jeff H.

ASQ would like to work with us on a lean event on health care. The suggested date is March 22. Kato Engineering was suggested as a possible location for the event. Jeff H. will ask the Education Committee to pursue.

There was discussion about a meeting in December that would be an appreciation lunch for Board members. Jeff H. agreed to e-mail Board members and determine interest/availability.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 pm.

**Carol Stallkamp
Secretary, MACQ**