

**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
Tuesday, February 9, 2010
City Center Hotel
Mankato, Minnesota
11:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Present: Dan Behrens, Peggy Anderson, Greg Thomas, Jeff Poole, David Cowan, Amy Ites, Eric Raverty, & Brian Smith.

Guest Speaker: Holly Resner of Rasmussen College

Vice President Dan Behrens welcomed everyone to the meeting in Matt's absence.

Treasurer's Report:

Gloria was not present and therefore no Treasurer's Report was reviewed.

Secretary's Report:

Peggy passed out copies and summarized the January meeting minutes. Minutes were approved by the board.

Education:

Greg Thomas from Enterprise Minnesota passed out a flyer on an upcoming educational event on Innovation for Profitable Growth. This is a joint venture between Enterprise Minnesota, Greater Mankato Growth, and Minnesota Small Business Development Centers. Also, Enterprise MN will be holding a session called "What it takes to become ISO Certified and what an ISO 9001:2008 Quality Management System provides". It will be a joint venture between Enterprise MN, MACQ, and Greater Mankato Growth. The event date may be 3/24/10.

Membership:

The Membership Committee will be meeting in sometime in March – they will be sending out information to past and new members.

Old Business:**New Business:**

Dan stated that Matt is looking into setting up MACQ on Facebook.

Holly Resner with outside sales from Rasmussen College was the guest speaker. Holly works with corporations in the Mankato to help educate and develop “Employee Success Programs”. Rasmussen is forming true partnerships for continual education and establishing educational goals in the community. This will help corporations build their own workforce. Most of the students are working on-line but there still needs to be some labs and hands on work which they are doing on some weekends. She is working with HR Managers, Owners, and other key personnel from companies such as Winland, Taylor Corp., Wal-Mart, Cub, UPS, Thro Company, and the State Hospital in St. Peter. Holly also spoke about Rasmussen’s Nursing Program.

The meeting finished with a round table discussion on how members businesses as progressing and topics of interest in the community.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Peggy Anderson
Secretary, MACQ**