

## Special Board Phone Conference Meeting – September 18, 2017

*Minutes are abbreviated.*

### **X - Indicates in attendance**

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| x | President, Jim Ashton                            |   | Region 1 Senior RR, Curt Ellestad         |
|   | Immediate Past President, Carl Phillips          | x | Region 2 Senior RR, Jeff Miller           |
|   | VP Finance/Treasurer, VACANT                     | x | Region 3 Senior RR, David Johnson         |
| x | VP Communications/Marketing, Patrick Krumenacker |   | Region 4 Senior RR, Kimberly Cates        |
| x | VP Fisheries & Research, Jim Moore               |   |   |
| x | VP Internal Affairs, Fred Brogle                 |   | <i>RR in attendance but without Vote:</i> |
| x | VP Membership, Jim Evers                         |   | Region 1 Representative, Brian Johnson    |
|   | VP Youth Activities, Vacant                      | x | Region 1 Representative, Mike Riha        |
| x | Corporate Secretary, Jim Fritz                   |   | Region 2 Representative, Vacant           |
|   | <b><i>Non-Voting Support Personnel:</i></b>      |   | Region 2 Representative, Brian Mirek      |
| x | Administrative Secretary, Robert Petzke          |   | Region 3 Representative, Todd Cook        |
|   | Parliamentarian, VACANT                          | x | Region 3 Representative, Bob Sisson       |
|   | Executive Accountant, Kathy Goon                 | x | Region 4 Representative, Earle Hammond    |
|   | Webmaster, Randy Loewecke                        | x | Region 4 Representative, Frank Walter     |
|   | Editor, Amy Penza                                |   | <b><i>Non-Voting Guests:</i></b>          |
|   | Assistant Editor, Sean Landsman                  |   | Rob Brice – Title Town                    |
|   | Cathy Adams, Finance Assistant                   |   | Geoff Verges - Milwaukee                  |

09/18/2017 at 8:15 PM CST waiting on all parties to join in the conference, final connections and arrivals 08:15 p.m.  
President, Jim Ashton called the meeting to order.

### **Tonight's agenda:**

Roll call was taken and documented by Robert Petzke and noted above.

A quorum was present at start of meeting (12 of 18 board voting members including the President). *Note Majority = 10 of 18 for approved motions.*

### **Agenda:**

| TOPIC            | DISCUSSION  |
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|                  | Jeff Miller made motion to increase the annual membership dues by \$10.00 across all membership types.<br><br>Seconded by Frank Walter<br><br>Vote was unanimous<br><br><b>Motion passed</b>  |
| Motion<br>17-01a | <b>Motion* by:</b> Fred Brogle, VP Internal Affairs<br><br><b>Second by:</b> Jeff Miller – SRR Region 2<br><br><b>Move to amend the Bylaws.... as follows:</b><br><br><b>4.03 (2) ELIGIBILITY TO SERVE AS A REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE.</b> A) A Regional Representative shall have been a member of Muskies, Inc. in good standing. <del>for a minimum of three (3) years prior to taking office provided He/She shall have been a member of Muskies, Inc. for a period of at least two years at the date of election or appointment, and</del> |

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|                                   | <p><del>has previously served as a Chapter officer for a period of at least one (1) year.</del></p> <p>Rationale for Proposed Changes. The current Bylaws were written at a time when we could sustain stricter eligibility requirements. Muskies, Inc. like many other non-profit volunteer driven organizations is finding it increasingly difficult to fill leadership positions. Unfortunately, this trend appears to be accelerating. For the last few years MI has had a number of Regional Representative positions that have remained vacant. As a result, some Regions have been underrepresented in MI affairs, a situation that needs to be addressed. This Bylaw change will permit a greater pool of candidates to be considered. Benefit of Proposed Changes. The change will increase the pool of potential candidates for the position of Regional Representative and permit Regions to be fully represented in the affairs of the corporation. Some members have volunteered to run for election for an RR position, but have been prevented because they failed to meet the more stringent requirements.</p> <p>Financial Impact. None. Additional Comments. None recognized.</p> <p>Implementation Date. Immediate.</p> <p>Contacts: Name: Fred Brogle Email: vp-internal-affairs@muskiesinc.org Phone Number: 715-617-5873 Date: 09-05-2017</p> <p>* Motion and Second must be made by a Board member.</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b> No Discussion</p> <p>Vote was unanimous</p> <p><b>Motion passed</b></p> |
|                                   | <p>Motion made to adjourn by Jeff Miller<br/> Seconded by Jim Moore<br/> Adjourned at 8:30 pm</p>  |
| <b>NEXT MEETING DATES PLANNED</b> | Next Executive Committee Conference scheduled for September 19th, 2017   |
| SUBMISSION BY and CC to:          | Corporate Secretary,<br>Cc: Corporate Secretary, Administrative Secretary and Webmaster  |