

THE MICHIGAN CHAPTER OF NATOA

MINUTES OF ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, September 12, 2001

PLACE: Loew's Resort Hotel, Miami Beach, FL

ATTENDEES:

NAME	JURISDICTION	TELEPHONE
William Mattson	OCCC	
Diane Griffiths	Lake Orion, Orion Twp.	248-693-7420
Mike Ager	Canton	734-394-5192
Caren Collins	SWOCC	248-473-7266
Jeanne Treff	Livonia	734-466-2535
Kamal A- Amen-Ra	Detroit	313-224-2281
Clarissa Grigsby	Pontiac	248-857-5716
Charlie Harrison III	Pontiac	248-857-7677
Lowell Peterson	Livonia	734-427-0427
Craig Welkenbach	Westland	734-467-3198
Ralph Salmeron	Ann Arbor	734-997-1051
Sedric Sawyer	City of Oak Park	248-691-7538
V. Olimpio Varsogea	City of Monroe	734-934-9182
Hap Haasch	City of Ann Arbor	734-994-1833
Kathy Sherman	City of Southfield	248-351-1301
Ifetayo Johnson	Detroit	313-224-2100
James J. Beasley	Detroit	313-224-2100

The meeting began with introductions of those present. The frequency of meetings was discussed. Fewer meetings than past years is a fact, but these meetings remain important for the networking that occurs therein.

Treasurer Mile Ager submitted the Financial Report dated September 2001 (copy attached). Total assets are \$7,811.25. Discussion ensued relative to dues structure and the amount of the fund balance. Various options for spending the fund balance were offered: speakers, development of MI-NATOA list serve, PROTEC, expenses for legal assistance through national NATOA. Mr. Haasch remarked that the existence of a fund balance was not in itself a bad thing. In the event of necessary and quick mobilization of resources, funds, are available.

Mr. Sawyer commented on the need for more communication. This led to a discussion of the Michigan NATOA listserve that was previously discussed at the Michigan Association of Broadcasters meeting in February, 2001. In a motion by Haasch, seconded by Varsogea and unanimously approved, it was

RESOLVED that MI-NATOA seek to create a membership list serve and a website presence through Grand Rapids Community Media Center within six (6) months.

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A committee was formed to implement the foregoing resolution with Mr. Sawyer as Serving on the committee are Kamal Amen-Ra, Caren Collins and Hap Haasch.

A meeting with cable providers was suggested. Companies represented for those present include Comcast, Time Warner, Charter, Wide Open West (ANM systems) and Monroe Cable.

In a motion by Haasch, seconded by Griffiths and unanimously approved, it was

RESOLVED to adopt the budget for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2001 as proposed (copy attached).

The current officers of MI-Natoa are Kathy Sherman, President, Caren Collins, VicePresident, Mike Ager, Treasurer and Jeanne Tref, Secretary. In a motion by Haasch, seconded by Peterson, it was

RESOLVED that the above slate. of officers be retained for the upcoming fiscal year beginning October 1, 200 1.

Mrs. Sherman updated the members on the National NATOA meeting that she attended. The major thrust was for National to have an of what the Chapters need. *The NATOA* magazine is available for all agency members. While our national president has been very involved in matters of importance to telecommunications, much of this does not get filtered to the state membership. Fax alerts were suggested as a way to disseminate information. Also, *the NATOA* website was mentioned.

Mrs. Collins questioned the membership's interest in continuing our involvetnent in the Michigan Association of Broadcasters (MAB). Mrs. Grigsby passed along a comment from an absent member regarding the relevancy of topics at the MAB. Consensus supported continued involvement.

Ifetayo Johnson suggested a two-tier level of information that would be useful for those new to their role as cable regulators versus those who have been involved for some time.

Mrs. Sherman directed the discussion back to the frequency of chapter meetings. There is still a great interest in networking lunches.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Treff

MICHIGAN NATOA
PROPOSED BUDGET
OCTOBER 1, 2001 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2002 ft

Beginning Fund Balance (Michigan NATOA checking and savings accounts)	\$ 7,811
Projected FY2001-2002 Revenue (Dues, miscellaneous receipts, interest)	6,000
Total Beginning Fund Balance and Projected Revenue for FY2001-2002	13,811
Proposed FY2001-2002 Expenditures	
Printing and publishing	\$ 400
Operating supplies	400
Legal fees/lobbying activities	2,000
Education (includes List Serve Project)	6000
Postage	600
Other Sundry	2000
Bank service charge	120
Total Expenditures	11,520
FY2001-2002 Projected Year End Fund Balance	2,291

MICHIGAN NATOA
FINANCIAL REPORT
SEPTEMBER 2001

BALANCES

\$6,147.88	Checking Account NBD
<u>1,663.37</u>	Savings Account, NBD
\$7,811.25	TOTAL ASSETS

Michael Ager
Treasurer