

TPMA Middle TN Membership Meeting
JANUARY 18, 2008
NASHVILLE, TN

Present were: Steve Adams, Melissa Berry, Fredia Black, Casta Brice, Vicki Burton, Dave Crawford, Bonnie Curran, Janet Curry, Cindy Donaldson, Dawn Freeman, Pearl Gibson, Bill Hendry, Lynn Henning, Alan Jones, Martha Justice, Antonia Scipio, Chandra Starks, Diane Stewart, Richard Stokes and Mary Lou Thompson.

President Vicki Burton opened the meeting and extended words of welcome. Martha Justice also welcomed all to Middle Tennessee.

The minutes of the January 19, 2007 were approved on motion by Lynn Henning, seconded by Pearl Gibson.

Treasurer Melissa Berry presented the Financial Report. Balance on hand as of September 30, 2007 is \$15,880.99 - \$5633.30 in the checking account and the Certificate of Deposit has a balance of \$10,247.69. The report was received on motion by Alan Jones; seconded by Janet Curry.

The Certificate of Deposit has an 8-month maturity. Melissa was authorized to renew the CD for either 4 or 8 months depending on which would yield the best interest rate on motion by Lynn Henning, seconded by Janet Curry.

Executive Director Richard Stokes gave the Membership report. Currently, there are 95 members. Richard noted that there are 56 HR Directors in the state are IPMA members, but are not TPMA members. He will send membership letters to them and will send membership renewal letters also. There are 81 TPMA members who are not members of IPMA. There are 200 others – Police Chiefs, School Board Members and others who may be candidates for membership.

Rick will work on a new application for membership. Rick also shared with the group a copy of the letter dated December 26, 2007 that he received from Oscar B. Jackson, Jr., IPMA-HR President.

Richard announced that he will attend the IPMA Retreat in California.

Richard mentioned that TPMA could offer Webinars to the membership as a means of training at a later date or as a pre-conference activity. The cost would be \$125.00 per site. He will check on the training disk, which will be available after the Webinar on Workforce Planning. He will also check with IPMA and report back by e-mail of any limitations.

Mr. Stokes also noted that the revised bylaws dated 7/19/07 – Section 2 states “The Board shall not exceed nine (9) voting members. The voting members of the Board shall consist of the elected officers, the immediate past president and no less than four (4) directors. Any member elected to serve on either the Southern Region or the International Board of Directors shall be ex-officio or non-voting members. This change was approved on motion by Janet Curry and seconded by Melissa Berry.

Steve Adams presented the 2008 Membership and Training Conference Program and proposed Budget. He and his committee are still working on 1) Sending sponsorship packages to all members (Cities may even share sponsorships); 2) Registration - \$175.00 for members and \$200.00 for non-members; 3) Moderators for the sessions. This report was accepted on motion by Martha Justice, seconded by Alan Jones.

Richard Stokes mentioned that UT will take care of the registration, with the fee already included in the proposed budget.

Executive Director's Report: Richard noted that TML has held regional sessions, now they are requesting websites to pass on information rather than meetings. Richard encouraged all board members to submit information to TML for Legislative updates. The TML Conference is scheduled for June 21 – 24, 2008 in

Memphis. TML information can be a usable training aspect for membership. Representatives can come and speak to members and hold training sessions at Regional Meetings.

The schedule for Regional Meetings is noted below:

Friday, July 18, 2008 – West Tennessee
Friday, October 17, 2008 – East Tennessee
Friday, January 16, 2009 – Middle Tennessee
April 2009 – Annual Conference

The Governing Board of the International Chapter (IPMA) will hold the annual conference in Nashville in 2009

Rick will contact the Nashville Visitors & Convention Bureau for information and perhaps some favors to take to the Conference in Las Vegas.

After the State Conference, a decision will be made whether we will host a reception for the Southern Region in Nashville at the 2009 Conference.

President Vicki appointed the following to the Nominating Committee:

Pearl Gibson; Cindy Donaldson; Alan Jones; Gary Hall and Richard Stokes.

The following were appointed to the Scholarship Committee:

Janet Curry; Lynn Henning; Martha Justice and Richard Stokes.

Announcements:

November 12 – 14, 2008 TN PRIMA Conference in Brentwood
Southern Region Conference Attendees can go to website to link to the hotel.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned for our training session with Bonnie Curran, "Employee Benefits – Do you hear what I hear?"

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn B. Henning

Lynn B. Henning,
Secretary

Vicki Burton,
President