

**MSU ALUMNI CLUB OF MID MICHIGAN (“Club”)  
Minutes of Meeting Held May 10, 2006  
At Providence Mortgage Company**

**Board Members Present:** Rob Gilbreath, Micki Pasteur, Steve Peckham, Jeff Hicks, John Black, Peter Wujkowski, Tim Sambaer, Meritta Proctor, John Suckow and Carole Lick (via telephone).

**Board Members Excused:** Marcy Bishop, Tom Ruis, Ray Chase and Nicole Dandridge

**Board Members Absent:** Pauline Johnson-West

President Pasteur called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved. No additions were added.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A **motion** was made by Jeff Hicks to approve the April 2006 minutes. The motion was seconded by Meritta Proctor. Motion carried to approve the April 2006 Board minutes, as submitted.

**REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

President Micki Pasteur indicated that the Executive Committee has approved mini-grants worth \$10,183. All of the applicants received a mini-grant with the exception of the Kresge Art Museum. Kresge wanted a grant for hotel fees and an honorarium for a guest speaker. The Executive Committee decided that this request did not fall into one of the Board’s priority categories and the request was denied by the Executive Committee. President Pasteur presented the Board with the 2006 Mini-Grant Recommendations. A **motion** was made by Meritta Proctor to approve the 2006 Mini-Grant Recommendations as presented. The motion was seconded by Jeff Hicks. Motion carried to approve the 2006 Mini-Grant Recommendations by the Executive Committee. Rob Gilbreath will do a press release and the Board discussed taking pictures with some of the recipients for our newsletter and web site. The grants will be paid through the MSU Development Office so the Board will continue to receive “credit” for our donations. The recipients will be notified via a correspondence from the Board.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY’S REPORT**

**Newsletter** –The newsletter has been sent out. The next newsletter will go out in August.

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**Website** –We have continued to receive a steady stream of e-mails from alumni who wish to be added to our mailing list. We have approximately 22 people on the “Spartans Supporting Spartans in Business” networking list.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Treasurer John Suckow presented the Statement(s) of Cash Flow reports. These included the Steve Smith Account and the Board Operating Account. Members had an opportunity to view the reports and ask any questions related to it.

A **motion** was made by Steve Peckham to accept the Treasurer’s report and seconded by Jeff Hicks. Motion carried to approve the April 2006 treasurer’s report, as submitted.

**PROJECT UPDATES**

**Endowed Scholarship**

We have received our first contribution to the endowed scholarship fund. Foster Zack Little Pasteur & Manning, P.C. had a “casual” Friday. For a donation, employees of the firm could wear jeans. The firm collected \$28 in individual donations. The firm matched the employee donations for a total donation to the endowed scholarship fund of \$56. The contract should be complete in a week or so. The Endowed Scholarship Committee will meet on May 18, 2006 and will have a report for our June, 2006 Board meeting.

**Undergraduate Teaching Excellence**

There will be a committee meeting on May 22, 2006 to prepare for a meeting with Dr. Banks on June 13, 2006. Tim Sambaer asked for “younger” Board members to volunteer to serve on the committee. Carole Lick agreed to become a committee member.

**Textbook Scholarships**

Peter Wujkowski gave the report as Tom Ruis was on vacation. We received approximately 20 applications and the committee will need assistance in evaluating the applications. Meritta Proctor, Tom Ruis and Peter Wujkowski have agreed to “grade” the applications in the next couple weeks. Applicants will be notified of their status as there was some confusion as to the cut-off date to receive applications. The committee discussed having a reception but no definite date is in place at this point.

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**Golf Outing**

The committee will meet on May 19, 2006 @ Panera’s in Frandor. We are still looking for silent auction items from Board members. To date, 17 foursomes have registered. \$18,250 has been raised in sponsorship money. John Black indicated that he has received a portion of the basketball court upon which MSU won the 2000 National Championship. This will be auctioned off at the golf outing. Tom Izzo, Jud Heathcote and Steve Smith will autograph the piece of floor. Up to four tickets to the MSU/Northwestern football game with coach service has been donated by Dean Trailways. We will need to send out a “Marcy Gram” to further promote the event.

**Club Sporting Events**

There was no April committee meeting. The next committee meeting will be held on May 17, 2006. Between 12-15 UM/MSU football “packages” have been sold to date. Carole Lick has been contacting Tom Izzo’s office and Rick Comley’s office to inquire about tours of the Breslin Center and Munn Arena..

**Non-Sporting Events**

The Club will purchase 100 seats for Wicked. Rob Gilbreath made a **motion** to not have a reception for the Wicked performance. The motion was seconded by Meritta Proctor. The motion carried.

**Membership Development/Outreach**

There will be a committee meeting on May 19, 2006. There was some discussion about having some Club information and literature at the golf outing so potential members could register. Jeff Hicks indicated that the Club could use Walnut Hills’ credit card machine to process membership dues more easily.

**Student Assistance/Coordination**

No Report.

**University Assistance: Mini-Grants**

See Executive Committee Report.

**Publicity**

The Club will release a press release describing the mini-grants.

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**OLD BUSINESS**

We need to decide ASAP whether the Club will purchase football tickets for single games.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was some discussion whether the Board should change our meeting place. Dave Brown indicated that the Board could use conference rooms in the new football addition at Spartan Stadium if the Board was interested. The Board could bring its own food to the meetings. John Black made a **motion** to continue to have the meetings at Providence Mortgage provided that there are no accessibility issues for current Board members and the Board could meet at Spartan Stadium for “special meetings” once or twice a year. The motion was seconded by Tim Sambaer. The motion carried.

President Pasteur indicated that several current Board members will be leaving the Board at the end of 2006. She requested that the current Board members actively recruit new members for next year. According to our By-Laws, notice will go out in October and the new Board members will be elected in November.

Peter Wujkowski presented a **motion** to adjourn. Jeff Hicks seconded it. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.