

MMOTA Minutes May 23, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:19 by Bernie Ganino

Pledge of Allegiance. Thank you Founding Chapter for hosting the meeting

Greetings and Introductions/ Past Presidents in Attendance

Ruth August MetroWest/ Former Past President of National

Gerry Zablatzky Dedham

Lynda Rowland South Shore

Jan Merson MetroWest

Joyce Mulroy Dedham

Claudia Kelly Dedham

Jufi Cimilodoro Dedham

Kathy Johnson Founding

Kim Simonich Greater Nashua

Recording Secretary- Leah Bunnell

Minutes were read and accepted with corrections

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Children's Education Award had no applications received

Ginni Babaian – Historian is no longer a member

Unfinished Business- Correction to resolution on voter representation- President can only vote in case of a tie and the motion passed unanimously with corrections

Vice President- Julie Dupont

The MMOTA directory update will only be on the MMOTA website and there will be no more printed directories per last September's General meeting because the directories are out of date almost immediately when printed. Please have directories updated by September 01, 2018

Treasurer's Report- Kristen Potter

Report submitted for File and Read

Membership Report- Julie Dupont

Submit statistics for clubs online. Invoices are out for State dues

29 Total in attendance

26 Votes

Executive Secretary- Jan Merson

Nothing to report, no applications for Children's Award

Convention Committee Kristen Potter and Julie Dupont

Looking for 2019 hosts

Received payment from GNPOTM- \$1500 loan, \$761 raffle

Convention 2018- North Shore

November 2-3, 2018, Mom Prom. The MMOTA website has information, first call cards can be mailed out, the convention email is mmotaconvention2018@gmail.com. The hotel cannot be booked yet but it

is \$105/night at the Four Points Sheraton in Wakefield. The Friday night party is the Mom Prom with music and pictures, workshops are in progress

Historian

Ruthie August has old pictures that can be scanned if desired

Hospitality- Bernie Ganino

A new site has been found for meetings- 1st Church of Christ on Great Road in Bedford

September meeting- hosted by MMOTA officers

March Meeting- hosted by Dedham Regional

May Installation- North Suburban

Jewelry- Carla Gambino

2018 convention needs to contact Carla for the form- Kristen Potter will submit the file. This is to be Carla's last year so someone can shadow her for the year to learn the process- send out for discs, coordinate with hosting club, does disc upkeep and has older discs

Outreach- Angie Callbeck

Sent out a few cards, if interested, can email list. Different ways for future correspondences were discussed- an email blast to past presidents, chapter presidents, and delegates was decided on

Webmaster- Kathy Johnson and Kristen Potter

Minutes, by-laws, and proposed by-law changes have been posted. The contents of the state binders were scanned for the website. New passwords will be e-mailed to the chapter presidents, past presidents, delegates.

Unfinished Business

Voter Representation Proposal

Committee for by-law change read at the March meeting, posted on website, emailed, and was read at May meeting. Ways were compared to show representation, (IE 1-25 members, 2 delegates, 26+ [in multiples of 25] add one delegate, Past Presidents retain votes, board members retain votes, current chapter presidents retain votes) Members must be in attendance to vote.

Judi Cimilodoro said smaller chapters may feel they don't have a voice, the delegate should carry the voice for the chapter.

Claudia Kelly said corporations do not have representation per employee so that should be the same for state.

Melissa DeSimone was worried that the smaller clubs would have the chance to take over and the larger clubs could be out voted.

Judi Cimilodoro said the past presidents don't vote for the club they are in, they vote for themselves.

Kristen Potter said it throws the balance off if each club gets a fixed number of votes, maybe we should have one voting body.

Lynda Rowland said smaller chapters won't end up doubling up on votes, most chapters have no way of getting more votes.

Kara (don't have last name) didn't understand that the Past Presidents votes aren't always with the chapters.

Julie Dupont said roll call should be set up differently so the the Past Presidents do not appear

to give their votes to their chapters, but instead have their own independent votes.
Liz Law said the Past President and Board votes should be independent votes but attendance is important. We need to change the way we do things to try and increase membership. If we can't give people an incentive to vote then people won't show up. Growing clubs have the ability to provide votes for new members.
Claudia Kelly reiterated that the Past Presidents don't vote for their club so they deserve a vote
Judi Cimilodoro suggested taking roll call differently and separate the recording of chapter votes. And a vested interest in voting should not be the reason for attendance at state meetings.
Bernie Ganino said National does votes according to representation.
Joyce Mulroy did the math and it would be 20 votes for the small chapters vs 23 votes for the large chapters.
Christine Rehlander said state is dying. The larger clubs just want to make things more equitable.
Joyce Mulroy made a motion to table the discussion until 2018-2019 year. The motion passed 15 for, 7 against, and 3 abstaining.

New Business- (Parliamentarian)

Installation- Gerry Zeblatsky acting Parliamentarian

New Board members were installed

Recording Secretary- Hannah Miller

Membership Secretary- Julie Dupont was nominated from the floor and accepted

Treasurer- Nichole Duggan

Vice President- Melissa DeSimone

President- Kim Rosenberg

Bernie Ganino continued the installation as the new Parliamentarian

Motion to Adjourn was made by Kristen Potter and seconded by Gerry Zeblatsky.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15.