## MAT Board of Directors Regular Meeting 8:30 a.m. - February 15, 2024 Meeting room at the Country Inn and Suites Albertville, MN

The MAT Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:30am by Board President Gary Burdorf.

Directors present: Sandy Hooker, Jill Hall, Mel Milender, Donell Williamson, Kevin Comnick and Rex Edge.

Staff present: Jeff Krueger, Executive Director, Steve Fenske, MAT General Counsel, Jessica Petersen, MAT Finance Manager and Lori Stalker, Administrative Assistant/Training Manager.

Directors present by zoom: Reno Wells, Vance Bachmann, Tammy Carlson, Frank Hard.

Director Lyle Stai joined the meeting by phone at 10:15am.

President Burdorf opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Motion** by Comnick, second by Hooker to limit discussion on each topic to three (3) minutes for each Director followed by a one (1) minute rebuttal after all Directors have had the chance for initial discussion point. **Carried.** 

Motion by Hooker, second by Carlson to accept the regular meeting agenda. Carried.

Director Hard presented the treasurer's report for business ending January 31, 2024. Highland Bank Cash \$655,066.26; BMO Liquid Cash \$675,344.15; BMO Investments \$4,195,599.75; Total General Operation Monies \$5,535,950.16 as of 1/31/2024. After questions and discussion **motion** by Comnick, second by Hall to approve the treasurer's report. **Carried. Motion** by Hooker, second by Edge to pay the February bills not paid and approve the February bills already paid. **Carried.** 

Motion by Comnick, second by Hall to approve the credit card statements. Carried.

Motion by Hooker, second by Edge to approve the minutes from the January meeting. Carried.

In-House Counsel, Graham Berg-Moberg joined the meeting via zoom and presented a legislative report.

**Motion** by Wells, second by Sandy to set March 1<sup>st</sup> as the deadline for the official officer list to determine the official quorum vote needed at Spring Short Courses. **Carried**.

John Uecker and Kathryn Lyons from BMO Investments joined the meeting at 10:15am to report to the board the investment portfolio.

**Motion** by Hard, second by Comnick to proceed with the current investment policy for the next year. **Carried.** 

**Motion** by Milender, second by Hooker to approve the following statement to be included in Short Courses during Director's Announcements. "Today you will be asked to vote on several MAT By-Law changes. A "YES" vote will confirm your agreement to the proposed changes. A "NO" vote will confirm your opposition to the proposed changes. This is an opportunity to have your voice heard on these proposed changes." **Carried.** 

**Motion** by Wells, second by Hooker to accept the ballot of five (5) questions for proposed by-law amendments. **Carried** with one (1) opposed.

**Motion** by Edge, second by Comnick to approve to set the date for ballot counting as April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at a location to be determined. The ballot counting board will consist of at least a minimum of five (5) Directors and any staff available. **Carried.** 

Jessica Manivasger from Fredrickson and Byron joined the meeting via zoom at 11:00am to present to the board information regarding fiduciary duties for Directors of a non-profit organization.

Motion by Hard, second by Wells to approve paying a per diem to Directors for attending two (2) short courses. Carried.

Directors will be provided a list of townships in their own districts that have not filed a financial statement for 2022 to the State Auditor. Directors were asked to reach out to those townships and ask how MAT can assist in getting this report filed.

Director reports were presented to the board.

**Motion** by Wells, second by Comnick for the board to go to a closed meeting at 2:50p to discuss Human Resource issues and legal issues. **Carried.** 

Motion by Wells, second by Comnick to return to the regular meeting at 3:00pm. Carried.

3-month calendar:

March 18<sup>th</sup> – April 5<sup>th</sup> – Spring Short Courses April 8-9<sup>th</sup> – Township Day at the Capitol April 18<sup>th</sup> – Board Meeting

**Motion** by Comnick, second by Edge to adjourn at 3:00pm. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Lori Stalker, Administrative Assistant/Training Manager