

MASCOE Board Meeting
July 26, 2017

The MASCOE Board of Directors met at the St. Charles Convention Center in St. Charles, Missouri on July 26, 2017. The meeting was called to order by President Jared Singer at 10:30 a.m.

Members present were:

District 1:	Mandi Bird Kristy Gray	Dekalb Dekalb
District 2:	Debbie Leeper	Caldwell
District 3:	Patty Lambert Tina Young	Macon Macon
District 4:	Jared Singer Cathy Hemme	Saline Pettis
District 5:	Randon Leathers Barb Denker	Cooper Moniteau/Morgan
District 6:	Sheria Yancey Kristy Shuck	Franklin/Jefferson Monroe
District 7:	Jackson Jones Gayle Wilson	Cedar/Dade Wright
District 8:	Dennis Ray Laura Sarratt	Perry St. Francois/Iron/Washington/Madison

Also in attendance: Jessica Claypole, Abby Inglis, Mary Leible, LeAnn Barnard, Rebecca Malter, Priscilla Eggering, Randy Tillman and Micki Crider.

Members and guests were led on a tour of the convention center by Chardean Olsen and then reviewed the National Convention agenda and itinerary for the week of July 31 through August 5, 2017. A tour of the adjoining Embassy Suites hotel also took place.

Review Meeting Minutes

President Singer called for review of the minutes from the March 15 and June 6, 2017 Board Meetings. Cathy Hemme motioned to approve the minutes as submitted. Barb Denker seconded. Members voted to approve both sets of minutes and motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Barb Denker presented the treasurer's report and informed members of income and expenses related to National Convention. To date, \$3,000 in sponsorships, \$13,100 in raffle proceeds and \$29,859 in online registration fees have been received. Expenses include \$28,724 in convention center fees and other miscellaneous costs associated with tours and transportation. Currently, the convention fund stands at \$34,000.

Loans from NASCOE and MASCOE totaling \$25,000 are included in convention income and have not been deducted from the current fund.

President Singer informed the board of discussion at the June meeting to donate \$500 from MASCOE to the scholarship auction to purchase items to be bid on. Dennis Ray motioned to approve this expenditure, subject to Executive Committee concurrence, as needed. Gayle Wilson seconded. Members voted to approve a \$500 MASCOE expenditure for National Convention scholarship auction items and motion passed.

Old Business

a. MASCOE Districts

President Singer informed the board of the MASCOE by-law change proposal that had been drafted by Sheria Yancey and posted to the MASCOE website for membership to review prior to the annual meeting. The proposed change involves aligning MASCOE districts to FSA districts, increasing the number of representatives in each district, and allowing future boards more flexibility to adjust to changing FSA Districts. Members were invited to review the document and contact any MASCOE Board member with concerns or questions.

b. Meeting with STO Management

President Singer informed the board that the Executive Committee had met with the Missouri State FSA Committee and Acting SED Kim Viers on July 18 at the state office to address concerns raised by employees from the recent CRP review process. The committee also addressed State Office specialists Allen Powell and Rod Bealer informally. The State Committee and State Office will be providing written responses to the items presented, which were compiled from the feedback received from county office employees. It will take some time before a final document is ready for distribution, but it will be made public.

c. National Convention Report

Randon Leathers updated the board on final preparations for National Convention. All committee chairs were instructed to secure volunteers for their respective assignments and report to Kate Gerlemann and Maureen Cope. Expense reimbursement for members attending and volunteering at convention is subject to the final ending balance in the

convention fund. President Singer asked for volunteers to help with assembling name tags on Saturday, July 29. Anyone willing to assist can report to the Saline County FSA office in Marshall at 9:00 a.m. He also presented membership with a welcome video he had produced to be shown during Missouri's roll call during the opening session of National Convention on Thursday, August 3. Members agreed the video will be played and all Missouri employees and guests will enter the session collectively during roll call.

New Business

a. Labor-Management Relations Agreement

President Singer informed the board that the Labor-Management Relations Agreement between USDA, FSA and MASCOE will be reviewed and acted on during the National Convention in St. Charles next week, as Acting SED Kim Viers and State Committee Chairperson Sharon Oetting will be in attendance.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 2:15 p.m. by Cathy Hemme and seconded by Sheria Yancey. Members voted and meeting adjourned. The MASCOE annual meeting will be held Monday, July 31, 2017, 2:00 p.m. at the Embassy Suites in St. Charles.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica A Claypole
2016-17 MASCOE Secretary