

**TUCSON PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZERS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
May**

The Board meeting of Tucson Professional Organizers was called to order at 9:45am on Monday, May 11, 2009 at Mimi's Cafe by Sue Zepeda.

PRESENT (in order of appearance):

Jill Janis, MaryLynn St.Germaine, Ori Parnaby, Sue Zepeda, Carolyn Sanger, Nanette Palmer, Wanda Baader

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MaryLynn moved to approve April minutes as corrected.

Carolyn seconded the motion.

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as corrected.

(Jill agrees to send corrected April minutes to Ori for posting on website.)

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

VICE PRESIDENT – MaryLynn

Tues 5/19 - May's general meeting – round-table discussion

Tues – 6/16 - June's general meeting – speaker

The speaker will be Emily Morrison (MaryLynn's mother, author of 4 books on volunteering, leadership, communication, etc) who will speak about personality typing, especially Myers-Briggs test. At the May general meeting members will receive tests to take home and fill out and bring to the June meeting.

Lisa Lloyd did receive a thank you from MaryLynn for her presentation at April's general meeting.

SECRETARY Jill

Nothing to report.

TREASURER - Carolyn

Current balance \$1,516.07

Ori will redo the checking account spreadsheet, to make it easier to read. Thank you, Ori!

Report on possible partnership with Staples: Only 12 members supplied Carolyn with figures she'd requested showing amount spent at office supply stores in 2008. Still, It looks as if we can meet their guidelines, so Carolyn will take the next steps to have this happen. She will invite the Staples representative to our June general meeting so she can tell us all about the considerable advantages of this program, answer all our questions, etc.

MEMBERSHIP – Ori

Discussion about potential member David Shale-McCartney. It was decided that he is not really appropriate for our organization – not as an industry partner, nor an associate member. Ori will let him know.

Recognition of need for more discussion about definitions of industry partner and associate member.

Discussion about whether or not to put together a list of resources, services we can recommend. Strong division of opinion about this. More discussion needed.

Recognition of need to define what we mean by “member” –

- provisional (new to organizing)
- active (no longer new, but not as experienced as next level)
- sustainer (seasoned professional)

More discussion to follow.

PUBLICITY – Chair vacant

Board accepts with regret the resignation of Barbra Russell from this post. MaryLynn agrees to “pitch in” temporarily. Thank you, MaryLynn! Sue will contact Barb to see if there is anything outstanding to do. MaryLynn will contact Michael Otenero (?) at Desert Leaf to see if our ad got changed the way we wanted it.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sue brings up the fact that with shorter meeting times (currently one hour), we sometimes don't have enough time for speakers and general business. We don't want to cut our wonderful speakers short, but currently have no specified amount of time allotted for them, so they can go on longer than we have time for. We need to clarify exactly how much time our speakers have.

MaryLynn moved that we revert to old meeting length of one and a half hours, starting at 5:00, ending at 6:30, and do away with formalized socializing time at end. Nanette seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Sue will send out an email to members informing them of this change, to take effect starting June meeting.

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 10:30AM BY SUE.

DATE AND LOCATION OF NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Monday June 8, 2009 at 9:30am
Mimi's Cafe

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY: Jill Janis, Secretary