

## **Minutes of the MOPACA Board of Directors' Meeting, July 8th 2015**

Present: Liz Vahlkamp, Theresa Kaiser, Steve Rush, Sheri Jacoby and Jeanette Campbell. Gwen Wolff attended for part of the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Liz Vahlkamp at 8:04 pm.

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of the meeting of June 10th 2015 were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's report was not available. Liz reported that MOPACA had approximately \$63000 in a separate account at the Bank of Washington.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Fiber U:** The new Fiber U website was up and running. Liz Mitchko had not reported any problems. There were a record number of people registered for classes.

**Education Committee:** Nothing to report.

**Publicity Committee:** Brian Willsey was currently involved with another project.

**MIAS:** Everything was on schedule.

### **Old Business:**

**Website:** Gwen gave her views on the various bids submitted for updating the website. The bid from Selle Design was an estimate rather than a bid. She had to extend the deadline for their submission. The proposed platform was Joomla rather than Word Press. There was no pricing for webhosting, or information on web servicing and training. Generally, Gwen felt that there had not been a great deal of thought given to the proposal.

The bid from Living Web LLC was well presented and they had responded to every item we asked for. They had done a good job in addressing our special requirements such as searching by zip code. They proposed to use Word Press which is much easier to manage than Joomla. A graphic designer would work on the layout of the site.

Igniting Business came highly recommended by Mary Licklider (former Director). She had used them for her own website and they had also done work for the University of Missouri. Several items such as alpaca sales and farm store were not included.

Also discussed was using Wild Apricot, a 'do it yourself' site which was inexpensive. This is the site used by the Suri Network. Although it seemed that the site might be able to provide the features we require there were still issues such as cost of webhosting, security, Gwen's time to create the site and coordination with OpenHerd.

After Gwen left the meeting the various proposals were discussed. There was general consensus that Living Web was already familiar with our site and that Brian Hanson had been very generous with his time spent on all the website issues. The proposal was clear and would provide us with those functions that we needed. The motion was made and seconded to accept the Living Web bid. Approval was unanimous. Liz would inform Gwen of the decision.

Articles of Incorporation: Liz had been able to find the name of the lawyer who had drafted the Articles but was unsure whether he would have the information. Steve was asked to follow up with the State on getting a copy.

**Other Business**: It was suggested to inform people at Fiber U that the process for selecting officers and directors for next year would be starting soon.

The meeting was adjourned at 9.43pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeanette Campbell  
MOPACA Secretary