# **MEETING MINUTES**

NARUC Summer Meeting Monday, July 23, 2012 Portland, Oregon

# MID-AMERICA REGULATORY CONFERENCE

## The following MARC Commissioners were in attendance at the meeting:

| Colette Honorable   | AR | Orjiakor Isiogu      | MI |
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| John Colgan         | IL | John Quackenbush     | MI |
| Lula Ford           | IL | David Boyd           | MN |
| Ann McCabe          | IL | Beverly J. Heydinger | MN |
| Erin O'Connell-Diaz | IL | Phyllis Reha         | MN |
| Doug Scott          | IL | Betsy Wergin         | MN |
| Kari Bennett        | IN | Terry Jerrett        | МО |
| Carolene Mays       | IN | Robert Kenney        | МО |
| Larry Landis        | IN | Tim Schram           | NE |
| David Ziegner       | IN | Brian Kalk           | ND |
| Swati Dandekar      | IA | Gary Hanson          | SD |
| Libby Jacobs        | IA | Phil Montgomery      | WI |
| Tom Wright          | KS |                      |    |

### Call to Order:

President Colette Honorable called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

### Welcome New Commissioners and Introductions:

New Commissioners Ann McCabe of Illinois and Beverly Jones Heydinger (Chairperson) of Minnesota were introduced by President Honorable. Commissioner Jarrett mentioned Steve Stoll as a new Commissioner in Missouri.

### Minutes and Secretary's Report:

Per Commissioner Isiogu, the Minutes will be available for vote during the November MARC business meeting in Baltimore. They were wiped off of his computer in a transfer. He asked if anyone has information from the annual meeting in Des Moines to please forward it to him.

### Treasurer's Report:

Commissioner Montgomery presented the Treasurer's Report. He asked that anyone who attended the MARC annual meeting submit their requests for reimbursement if they have not done so. Commissioner Ford moved for approval of the Treasurer's Report and Commissioner Schram seconded the motion. The motion carried and the Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously.

# **MARC**

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President:

Colette D. Honorable, AR

Vice President:

Carolene Mays, IN

Treasurer:

Phil Montgomery, WI

Secretary:

Orji Isiogu, MI

Executive Committee: David Boyd, MN

### President's Call for Next MARC Business Meeting:

The next MARC business meeting will be held on Monday, November 12, 2012 at 5:00pm during the NARUC Annual Meeting in Baltimore, MD. President Honorable advised the Commissioners that the meeting may have to be changed to the morning of Tuesday, November 13, per NARUC. She will advise Commissioners in advance if the date changes.

### MARC Commissioners Only Retreat:

President Honorable noted the MARC Commissioners Only Retreat will be held January 10-12, 2013 at the Driskill Hotel, Austin, TX. Commissioner Montgomery is planning a dinner at the Salt Lick for those who will be staying until January 13. There was discussion regarding the preferred location for the 2014 and 2015 meetings. Commissioners Mays and Montgomery, who will be hosting consecutively, will work jointly to try and secure a two year contract in San Antonio.

# MARC 2013 Annual Meeting:

The MARC Annual Meeting will be held June 8-12, 2013 at the Peabody Hotel, Little Rock, AR. President Honorable advised the group that the Peabody is selling to the Marriott. She encouraged bringing family and noted that the MARC tradition of having phenomenal meetings will continue. She advised that two other regions. SEARUC and NECPUC, will be hosting their meetings during these dates as well.

#### **Old Business:**

Commissioner Jacobs presented and update on the 2012 MARC Annual Meeting in the absence of Commissioner Hanson. She reported that there were more sponsors secured than any other previous Annual Meeting and that NARUC executives were very impressed with Commissioner Hanson's fundraising. She reported the proceeds currently at \$89,912.95 with a few small expenses outstanding. Several Commissioners commented on the fine job done by Commissioner Hanson and the lowa Commission.

### **New Business:**

MARC Dues – President Honorable advised that MARC did not vote on dues as indicated by the By-laws. Waiver is supposed to take place by July 1st. There was discussion regarding the need for dues. Ohio needed to pay dues because of state statute or rule. Since Ohio has withdrawn from MARC it was determined that the dues are no longer needed. President Honorable asked for consideration of voting to remove this article from the By-laws. There was consensus from Commissioners. President Honorable will draft a By-law change for vote at the November meeting.

Website - President Honorable will ask Alex, the Website host in Michigan to update the logo, deleting Ohio.

### Motion to Adjourn:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10pm.