

Midwest Academy of Management  
Minutes of the Board Meeting at 2019 Annual Conference in Omaha, NE  
Oct 10, 2019

President Millicent Nelson called meeting to order a few minutes after 5:30 pm. In attendance are the following Board members: Millicent Nelson, Tim Peterson, Bart Sharp, Ronda Smith, Young Ro, Lesley Page, Angela Miles, John Orr, Ranjan Karri, Ben Blackford, Becky Badawy and Arun Pillutla.

Secretary Arun Pillutla did not present the minutes of the prior Board meeting and asked for time to send them electronically at a later date.

Treasurer Bart Sharp presented the current financial condition of the Midwest Academy of Management to the Board. He noted that the Academy has sufficient funds to cover the expenses for 2019 program and seed money for the 2020 conference.

Membership Chair Ronda Smith noted that the new website and OpenConf systems are making it possible for the Academy to track membership at any point in time. She also noted that the registration related preparations for the 2019 Conference are up to date.

Long Range Planning Committee Chair Ranjan Karri noted that the committee was not able to meet but he had presented written proposals to modify the role and structure of the Long Range Planning Committee and is awaiting feedback from the Board and the Committee.

Director of IT Operations Ben Blackford noted that there was a temporary break in availability of the website a few days before the conference but it was quickly restored. All electronic systems are available and working.

Midwest Academy of Management Newsletter Coordinator Rebecca Badawy presented a strategy document for producing four issues of the Newsletter a year for the consideration and approval of the Board. The document is attached.

Program Chair Tim Peterson provided an update to the 2019 Annual Conference, that got started today with pre-conference activities, including the doctoral consortium, visit to the zoo, and visit to Gallup.

Program Chair-Elect Arun Pillutla presented details of the 2020 Annual Conference, to be held on the campus of St. Ambrose University in Davenport, IA.

Rep-at-Large Young Ro indicated his interest in hosting the 2021 Annual Conference in Detroit. His institution, the University of Michigan Dearborn has indicated support to be the host institution.

Under New Business, Program Chair Tim Peterson made a motion to defer voice vote on changes to the constitution from Membership Business Meeting on Oct 11 to a later date to be voted electronically, for the reason that the members may not have had enough time to review the changes to the constitution. Treasurer Bart Sharp seconded the motion. Following a discussion, the motion passed.

Program Chair Tim Peterson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Representative-at-Large Young Ro. Motion passed.

In closing, President Millicent Nelson thanked the members for their participation. Meeting ended at approximately 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Arun Pillutla, Secretary