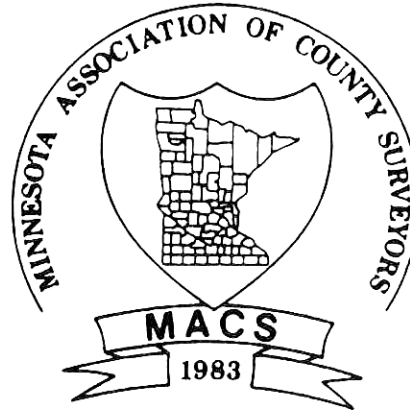


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## MINUTES OF MEETING

Minnesota Association of County Surveyors

December 5, 2011

MACS Meeting @ AMC Conference.

Lisa Hanni called the meeting to order at 11:40 A.M .

In Attendance: Robin Mathews, Steve Jobe, Mike Welling, Jim Hentges, Rick Morey, Lisa Hanni, Dan Baar, Bob Kovanen, Ken Holmbeck, Tim Wotzka, Peter Blethen, Bill Brown, Pete Jenkins, Dick Walter.

**Approval of Minutes:** September 27<sup>th</sup> 2011, Motion Robin Mathews. Second by Bill Brown. Approved.

**Membership report:** 36 voting members, 7 affiliate members

**Treasurer's report:** \$23,347.64 in treasury of which \$5000 is obligated to the GLO notes scanning project. Bill Brown asked about non-profit status.

**Legislative report:** Steve Jobe asked about the oath and bond required for County Surveyor position. County Surveyor covered by county insurance for bond. Some do oath for each appointment to County Surveyor position, some don't do oath after initial appointment if same person. There was discussion of Statute 389 and maybe MACS should look at revision of entire chapter. Rick Morey reminded everyone that Legislature is on 2 year cycle.

**Long Range Planning Committe:** Dick Walter updated group on Life Member status. Dick asked everyone to forward eligible names to him if they know of anyone.

**MnDOT Survey Conference Topics:** Lisa Hanni and Rick Morey are working on MnDOT Survey Workshop committee and putting together program for Workshop in March. MACS meeting to be scheduled for Tuesday evening @ 4:30 pm after sessions. Dick Walter is presenting at the conference. There may be a topic on Corner Certificates also. Tim Loesch is presenting on LiDAR also.

**MLS Foundation update:** Pete Jenkins updated group on activities happening with the MLS Foundation. Pete noted that the MSPS Conference will be at a new place this year. The new location is Ramada Mall of America. There will be an auction and donations are being accepted. Pete also gave some information on scholarships and said that since 2005 about 30 % of the students who received scholarships went on to become licensed surveyors. There was discussion with St. Cloud State University (SCSU) about how to help their program. The MLS Foundation will give about 10 scholarships this year. There is talk of a possible \$25,000.00 endowment for SCSU.

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**Survey Institutions Donations:** Lisa Hanni talked about a program where MACS could donate for specific items. There was much discussion on using public funds (MACS dues etc.) for equipment or endowment and about keeping track of dues money and seminar funds separately. The group discussed putting together a bylaws revision that would identify funding uses. Robin Mathews will draft some language for consideration. Jim Hentges will check accounts and get numbers for dues versus seminar money.

**State Board update:** Lisa Hanni updated group and said the biggest things going on at this time are the rules changes and public hearing to get rid of the oral exam. Lisa also reported that the Board has been working on the definition of Land Surveying and model rules and laws. There was much discussion on these topics.

**State wide DEM project:** Tim Wotzka reported that there is a meeting tomorrow in Brainerd for the Central Lakes Region. Steve Jobe said the committee is looking into potential training and education on uses for the data that is collected as part of the project.

**Gov't Notes scanning project:** The notes are not available on a website yet. Dave Claypool and John Hoshal are presenting this topic at the MnDOT Survey Technical Workshop also.

**Other:** Bill Brown initiated discussion on the oral exam and exhibit requirements for the Land Surveyor test. There is discussion on requiring exhibits yet.

**Next Meeting:** MnDOT Survey Technical Workshop in March @ Breezy Point.

**Motion to adjourn** by Robin Mathews. Second by Bill Brown.