NFRBMEA Spring Board Meeting

April 23, 2014 via Conference Call

The meeting was called to order by President Mark Holkup at 8:30 a.m. CDT. Those participating in the meeting were Mark Holkup, Jim McCuistion, Myron Oftedahl, Will Walter, Doug Wertish, Jennifer Smith, Deb Pike, Jay Olsen (departed midsession), Ira Beckman.

Jay Olsen reviewed the agenda of the upcoming National Conference in Salt Lake City, UT. Details were shared about the speakers, breakout sessions, and tours.

A motion to approve the minutes from the fall board meeting, supplied by Secretary Walter, was made by Ira Beckman, seconded by Myron Oftedahl. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Myron. Some discussion was held on how to document the \$10,000 received from CHS that is earmarked for scholarships yet to be paid out. The 3-31-14 checking account balance was \$9,810, other assets of \$29,147 = Total Assets of \$38,957. With the \$10,000 liability to be expended for the scholarships, Equity is \$28,957. For fiscal year 2013-14, there was \$21,943 of Revenue less Expenses of \$31,100, for a net loss of (\$9,156). Myron is to procure an audit committee to review the records prior to convention. A motion to approve the report was made by Jim McCuistion, seconded by Ira Beckman. Motion carried.

Jennifer Smith reported on the progress of sponsorship commitments for the conference. Most of the past support is in place for the 2014 conference, with a small amount yet to confirm and collect. Jennifer was directed to coordinate a meeting for the scholarship winners and William Nelson of CHS. The board expressed their appreciation for her efforts.

The CHS scholarship was discussed. A selection committee consisting of Mark, Doug, and Jim was appointed. Jay reported he had four applicants from his area that could pool together their expenses and allow for more to benefit from the scholarship. This was well received by the group, and all hoped for plenty of applicants. President Holkup encouraged all to step up the contact with colleges and universities to identify potential future FBM instructors to take advantage of this opportunity. Jim volunteered to be the conference "host" for the winners.

The agenda for the business meeting at the conference was brought up for discussion. The main things are to recruit officers, specifically for president elect and secretary which are elected annually. Also this year a replacement for Ira Beckman's position on the NCAE board will need to be nominated. Some names were mentioned as possible candidates, and board members set goals to contact these people. Direction was given as to who supplies whom with the proper information for the conference packet information.

Awards: In an amendment of an initial motion made by Jim McCuistion, Ira Beckman moved to honor two organizations for the Distinguished Service Award- Friend. Myron seconded. Motion carried.

Deb Pike strongly encouraged the members to get the information needed for the Annual Report submitted as soon as possible. She will coordinate the printing and Doug Wertish will bring them to the conference.

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was declared adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Will Walter, Secretary