

The MAPJ board met on January 21st, 2010 at Radina's coffee shop meeting room. Members present were Treasurer Anne Cowan, Newsletter editor David Buck, Movie Series coordinator Christopher Renner, Majka Jankowiak, John Exdell, Bill Dorsett, Alley Stoughton, Ellen Welti, Rob Dunn and MAPJ Coordinator Victor Force.

Anne Cowan served as acting Chair as Tveite was out of town.

Two additional items were added to the agenda.

The minutes from the November meeting were approved without exception.

Reports-

Treasurer's Report- Cowan reported that all bills were paid and in all accounts including the CD we have \$18, 878.09.

Fundraising- Cowan reported that on Monday a second appeal will go out. Thus far \$6,575 has come in. Of the 67 people who have contributed so far, 13 people are from out of town. Cowan reported that we need to hear from about 100 more people and that envelopes for fundraising will be hand addressed at her house on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Coordinator-Force reported that his efforts had been spent working with the fundraising committee, newsletter committee, attending the movie series and assisting with administrative activities. Force has also spoken with a few students attempting to get the Progressive Coalition to meet and has completed the self assessment.

Movie- Renner reported that 43 people attended "The Age of Stupid". It was also reported that the library is no longer charging groups to use the building so we will save \$20.00/month. Next month we will show "American Casino", in March "Anatomy of Hate" will be shown and in April "Broadcast Blues" will be shown.

Radio/Konz- Renner stated that the station is raising money. UFM community foundation is loaning that station the money that is needed so that the station can begin to be built. The plans are that the station will be built in August and up and running by September. Renner said that the next class to teach organizations how to do publicity for organization will be held on February 6th in the afternoon. Cowan noted that MAPJ had \$2,000 in the budget for Konz and asked when that money should be paid. Renner said that it could be paid at any time.

Annual Meeting Speaker-The group chose Sasha Abramsky as the annual meeting speaker. Cowan volunteered to be the project manager for the annual meeting. Renner will work with the speaker on the cost and travel arrangements. The Date set is March 27th. Renner will see if Abramsky will make his own travel arrangements and we will reimburse him. Buck will work through Clafin Books and get copies of the speaker's books at the annual meeting. Jankowiak will find the location for the meeting. Dorsett will serve as the person who takes the reservations. Exdel will arrange any added speaking opportunities for the speaker.. The board discussed broad topics for the speaker. Renner will work with our speaker to finalize the speech. The question was raised about where the speaker would stay, the answer was not given.

Ongoing Focus groups-Cowan reported that it was her understanding that the focus groups had completed their tasks. Each group was to have given the board specific objectives that needed to be carried out. Cowan asked what the next step should be.

Renner suggested that we put items on our website and ask for volunteers. It was discussed that our website most likely does not get the hits needed to do this work and that at some point we should form

a committee to see how we can get people to use the website more. Dorsett agreed to work on items regarding Afghanistan, Dunn will work with the campus on education issues about war e.g. film series...

Newsletter-The next newsletter will come out the first part of February, and the one after that will be in the hands of people at least two weeks before our annual meeting.

New Business-

Cowan reported that member Tom Phillips had contacted her and asked that the board write a letter of support for Jean Montrevil, who is being threatened with deportation to Haiti. The deportation makes even less sense due to the recent earthquake in Haiti. The board agreed to have a letter written in support of Montrevil, Cowan will do this.

Tabling at the Mall-Mapj will have a table at the Mall on February 6th.

The following people signed up:

10:00-12:00 Dorsett, Welti

12:00-2:00 Cowan Conrow

2:00-4:00 Exdell, Dunn

Dorsett and Buck will work together to get bookmarks with our name and website made and have them by February 6th. Cowan will work with Barta to have an interactive part to our table. (We are looking for old fashioned bedpans for this project.

Nominating Committee-

Cowan reported that this year Dorsett, Covington, Barta, Exdell, and Tveite are up to circulate off the board. Cowan asked for people to serve on the Nominating Committee. Renner, Dunn and Cowan will make up this committee.

Mark Larson-Member Mark Larson is looking for people around the state to work with one another on issues of peace and justice. He believes that the various groups need to work together on a state level. Dorsett, Exdell and Renner expressed interest in meeting with Larson and exploring the opportunity.

Appeals-Two appeals came before the Board. The first was a request to renew membership in the Flint hills Human Rights Project for \$25.00. The board agreed to this request. The second request came from the Kansas Coalition against the Death Penalty, the board agreed to give this organization \$50.00.

Haiti-Dunn reported that many campus organizations were working on fundraisers for Haiti and suggested that the board support them Dorsett agreed that we should do all that we can. Dunn will stay abreast to the fundraising issues and keep the board and membership posted. He will also see if he can find a student to write an article for the next newsletter about these events. Renner wanted to make sure that money given was going to organizations which will give the most to the effort in Haiti and will send an announcement to the membership on this issue.

Checking account: Cowan placed Exdell's name on the checking account as he has representation with the Living Wage association, Renner's name was also added.

With no further business the board adjourned.

The next meeting will be on February 18th, 2010; place to be announced.

Respectfully submitted,

Victor Force

MAPJ Coordinator.

