

The MAPJ board met at 7:00 pm on July 16th 2009 at Radina's coffee shop meeting room. Members present were Chair Jon Tveite, Treasurer Anne Cowan, John Exdell, Alley Stoughton, Christopher Renner, Greg Covington, Bill Dorsett, student board member Ellen Welti and Mapj coordinator Victor Force.

Agenda- There were no additions made to the agenda.

Minutes-The minutes from the June meeting were approved.

Reports:

Treasurer/Fundraising: Cowan reported that MAPJ was awarded \$1,500 from the Resist grant. Cowan also reported a total of \$17,819.05 for all accounts. Last year at this time we had approximately \$24,100.

Campus- Force reported that he would be attending a meeting on Tuesday and to get the Progressive Collation reinstated with the university.

Movie Series-Renner reported that Food Inc. will be shown at the Public Library on August 11th. The cost for the movie will be \$395, Renner has found sponsors to cover this charge. The cost for 'What's the matter with Kansas' will run between \$300-400.

KONZ-Renner reported that there will be a management meeting this coming Saturday. There has been no news on grants applied for, but he expected to hear from the Peine Foundation soon.

Movies on the Grass-Tveite reported that the movies have been selected. Two of the movies will be shown off campus at the zoo. Tveite suggested the 'The Visitor' may be the movie that we should sponsor.

Speaker Series-Tveite reported that Dr. Sarah Shields would be willing to speak on Tuesday November 10th. Force will work with Tveite to try and secure a space on campus.

Pastors for Peace: Cowan reported that while only nine people attended the meeting, the dinner and presentation were good. Force will send Glenda a thank you on behalf of the board.

Pharr Workshop/organizational change- The board continued its conversation about how we need to focus our time and resources to do the most good in the future. The board is committed to working on issues that have both a local and national reach. The board also wants to ask the membership for ideas about where we should place our focus. After some discussion the board decided on the following:

1. A message will be sent to the membership via the listserve telling the membership that they will receive a phone call inviting them to our membership forum on September 19th.
2. A post card will also be sent to MAPJ members telling them about the membership forum and telling them to expect a phone call.
3. The Newsletter, which will come out the first week in September, will explain to the membership what the board will be looking for at the forum.
4. The board and other volunteers will call the membership and invite them to a meeting to be held on September 19th. The phone calls will also be a chance to make sure that we have updated addresses, emails addresses and phone numbers for our members. This is a time when we can also ask if members prefer to receive our newsletter online. Finally we will survey attitudes that are relevant to finding a new focus for our board.
5. At our membership forum, people will be invited to give a short presentation or to advocate for an issue for MAPJ's focus.

6. Following the meeting the board should have enough information to focus on one or two topics for the following year.

Due to time constraints on the room, the meeting needed to be concluded. Some board members expressed confusion about the order of these events. Tveite will continue to work with the board via the board listserve to make sure that we are clear about the order of events.

Respectfully submitted,
Victor Force

Next Board meeting will be held on August 20th, at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of Radina's coffee shop.