

The MAPJ board of directors met on March 18th, 2010 at Radina's coffee shop meeting room. Members present were: Chair Jon Tveite, Treasurer Anne Cowan, Film series leader Christopher Renner, John Exdell, Ellen Welti Bill Dorsett, and MAPJ coordinator Victor Force

Approval of last meeting's minutes.

No additions to the Agenda

Reports-

Treasurer/Fundraising Cowan reported that we have \$15,552.52 in all accounts. Fundraising increased by four donations or about \$100.00. Plans are to do handwritten post cards to past donors this month who have not yet donated. This was to be done following the annual meeting. We are behind other years. Fundraising- Cowan reported that it is time to start on the "Resist" grant proposal due by the middle of May. The grant is for general *maintenance use*.

Campus/Coordinator:

Plans continue for Earth Day. Ellen and Victor will get together and check on the re-registration of Progressive Coalition and KAPJ.

Movie Series: Next month, April 13th we will show "Broadcast Blues." We had about thirty people at the March showing (Anatomy of Hate). This film had been postponed due to the MPL double booking of our room. Renner will plug the April movie in the Journalism department at K-State. Renner will email a brochure to Exdell who will send it out through email to K-State faculty. On May 11th, we will show "The Most Dangerous man in America". Due to cost we need to seek a sponsor. Renner will broadcast an interview from Laura Flanders on his radio show. The Board should continue to think of a name for the film series.

Community Radio-Renner expressed deep concern about the lack of funds coming forward for the station. The website does have some podcasts.

Coordinator Evaluation Committee- The committee has Victor's self evaluation and they will meet next week and then get together with him.

Board Nominating Committee- Cowan reported that a few people had given her positive responses about serving on the board. A few good names have come recommended by members of MAPJ. So far, Rob Dunn, Thea Nietfeld and Steven Mull have agreed to serve on the MAPJ Board. Two others are considering.

(Ongoing Business)-

It was the opinion of the board that since the speaker canceled (due to a death in his family) and since the number of reservations have been low, that we should postpone the annual meeting. The board asked how much we will have to pay the restaurant if we cancel the meeting. Jankowiak will be meeting with the Holiday Inn tomorrow and see if we can get out of our contract for the meal. Exdell suggested that Stan Cox be invited to be the annual meeting speaker at a rescheduled event and that we have a pot luck at a church or do something modest in size in late April This may help with fundraising. Dorsett expressed support for the idea. Cowan asked about the professor from Ft. Hays. Board and wanted to look at May 1st. Renner will get in touch with Stan Cox. Exdell suggest the topic of 'Ecology and Global Justice'. The Board agreed to pay him \$300.00. Cowan agreed to see if the Unitarian Fellowship was available on that date. Exdell will be the project manager. Dorsett will

organize a post card mailing. Renner will design the post card, which will state that there will be wine and beer. Time set for 6:30, people can gather earlier. Jon T. will send out an email to announce the new meeting. The meeting will be pot luck. Board members will help to set up and do the clean up afterwards.

Pastors for Peace-Majka is the project manager will continue will work on this project.

Fall Speaker-

Exdell passed out a list of speakers from Democracy Now and volunteered to get a group together to organize the fall speaker. Exdell will follow up on this.

Ongoing Focus Process-The Board discussed the focus issues. We need to make an effort to respond to what our membership said that they wanted. This includes Healthcare, Peace and No-NBAF. Cowan stated that she wants to be able to include progress with the issues in the upcoming grant application. Dorsett will pursue No-NBAF, there are three people interested in this issue. Dorsett will have a meeting soon. Exdell reminded the group that a national health care bill had been passed, and that our group could help explain what that means for Kansas. It was asked who in MAPJ will/should do this? Exdell suggested that we arrange a meeting/forum with local legislators. Renner suggested that we replicate the energy panel and help people ask, "What does this mean for me?" We will work on an event to include someone from the free medical clinic, state legislators, and a speaker to clarify the content of the health care bill. It was suggested that we could do this in June. We need someone to organize this. Tveite will send out emails and make calls for this. Cowan will contact PNHP regarding a speaker from this area, Renner will call Sydney Carlin. For the War and Peace focus Cowan will work on arranging a meeting between the MHS Amnesty International group and the KSU AI. Cowan will offer programs which could be presented to either or both of the groups by MAPJ members. Cowan has been in contact with the national organizers of IVAW and scheduled to table at the K-State Union, they are looking for interest in Veterans. This is done in connection with KSU-Amnesty International.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned. Our next meeting will be held on April 15th at the Bluestem Bistro meeting room.

Respectfully submitted,

Victor Force