**MOUNTAIN PLAINS NAHRO**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**.Monday, July 30- 4:30 pm – 6:00 pm**

**President Martens’ Suite 2048 (tentative)**

**Marriott Hotel, San Francisco**

1. **Call to Order, Roll Call, Introduction of Guests**

**Attending:** Jill Elliott, Matt Pike, Dianne Hovdestad, Revonda Stordahl, Luann Clark, Lori Davidson, Sherry Scudder, Betsey Martens, Tami Fischer, Barb Cook, Kim Giordano, Kathy Ricci, Alan Feinstein, Lori Rosendahl, Lynn Fundingsland, Ann Horton, Dave Martens, Julie Brewen. Guests: Toni Manjarrez (Denver HA); Meade County SD Commissioner (there were others but did not record names).

1. Approval of Minutes from March 25, 2012- Washington DC

Motion to approve minutes by Ann Horton, seconded by Revonda, all approved.

III. **President’s Report**

1. **Status on Regulatory Relief measures with HUD**

Don reported on the March meeting in DC between HUD representatives and MP NAHRO members and the response letter that HUD sent us. No good answers have been given. A follow-up letter should be drafted and sent to HUD.

Don also reported that Assistant Secretary Henriquez came to the Cody conference.

Senator Bennett has issued a sign-on letter in support of the MPNAHRO letter. There was another phone call with HUD where HUD tried to focus the conversation on EIV, which is the wrong focus. Need to do follow-up in September. A working group was established to prepare for what we want comprised of Barb Cook, Dianne Hovdestad, Betsey Martens, and Tony (?).

Dianne Hovdestad will provide testimony to Congress on August 1 at 10am eastern to focus on admin fee, rent reform and regulatory relief.

1. **BOG Report- New format and State President’s Role**

NAHRO has developed a new format for the BOG which attempts to gather information relevant to evaluating the progress on the NAHRO Strategic Plan. The questions may change from report to report. State Presidents will be asked to provide data from their states.

1. **Strategic Plan Update**

Don and Dave will be working to clarify and plan timetable for achieving the Strategic Planning Objectives that were outlined in Salt Lake City in February of 2012. Dave is currently working on updating the membership management database with some new, improved software and is working with NAHRO on getting a regional license for the Commissioner Essentials training.

IV. **Treasurer’s Report**

1. **YTD Report**

Kim Giordano reported that as of June 30 we have $32,127 in checking and $25,455 in CD accounts for a total balance of $57,583. Many conference expenses are being paid in July. Dave reported that the Cody conference will net around $3,200 despite the low turnout. Dave also indicated that $3,000 of that amount may need to be paid to American Express for unused scholarships. Dave has sent AmEx a request to make a determination on this but has not heard back from them.

1. Payment Procedure Changes (nothing reported)

V. **Old Business**

1. **Updates (Advocacy tool kit; links)**

Dave has set up links on the [www.mpnahro.org](http://www.mpnahro.org) web page to link directly to NAHRO’s Advocacy page where a plethora of advocacy tools are available.

1. **NPDS Licensure for Commissioner Training**

NAHRO is considering giving MPRC a regional license. The licenses are usually for states only.

VI. **New Business**

1. **Housing America Month- October**

Members were encouraged to step up efforts to promote our industry during Housing America month in October. Don highlighted the great PR value his agency has achieved by participating in the Poster Contest and sharing the results in his community.

VII. **Staff Report**

1. **Cody Conference Report**

Dave reported that although the turnout was low (69 attendees) the conference was well received and will actually achieve a profit of around $3,200 (see IV-A).

1. **2013 Regional Conference and 2013 NAHRO Summer Conference**

Dave reported that Colorado will be hosting the 2013 in Colorado, location TBD. National NAHRO will also be doing the 2013 Summer Conference in Denver in July. Based on this, it was agreed that the regional conference should take place in May, which is CoNAHRO’s usual time for its state conference, instead of June, so as not to compete so much with the NAHRO summer conference in Denver.

VIII. **Committee Reports**

Don requested that committee chairs send their report to Dave in writing to be posted on the web page.

A. Housing Ann Horton

B. CR&D LuAnn Clark

C. Professional Development Sherry Scudder

D. Member Services Revonda Stordahl

E. Commissioners Joan Smith

F. B&A Barb Cook

G. International Ed Talbot

H. Legislative Network Ismael Guerrero

I. State Reports Chapter Presidents

IX. **Next Meeting- National NAHRO Conference in Nashville, TN., TBA.**

X. **Adjournment**