

# MTA BOARD MEETING

July 10th 2022

Via Zoom

This Meeting was called to order at 7:10pm

## Officers Present:

President: Rob Benson

Vice President: Marc Skutt

Treasurer: Elaine Unrath

Secretary: Kelly Agren

## Board Members Present:

Robert Slogeris,, Mike Lagorio, Kyle McClure, Travis Walle, Todd Ekstrom, Kody Godwin, Kandi Nichols

## Board Members Absent:

Lexi Vaughn, Doug Aven, Carissa Kennedy

## UPDATES:

- Group of MTA members mounted 18 Deer for Doug Veldheis
  - Still working on finishing
- Previous Meeting Minutes
  - Motion made by Robert Slogeris to accept the previous minutes
  - 2nd by Travis Walle
  - All in favor
- Treasurer's Report:
  - Financials emailed was the quarterly and bank statement.
  - CD did renew for 3 more years
  - A few T-short payments were not in yet
  - Estimated cost on seminar event? \$3500?

MOTION made to accept Treasurer Report by Kyle McClure

2nd by Robert Slogeris

- Memberships:191 Family Memberships

## Old Business:

- Habitat: Keep as is or try adding the artistic/nonconventional habitat like nationals?
  - TABLED: See how it goes over at nationals
- Replicas: remove or keep requirement to cast your own blank in the masters division
  - Idea of creating a Masters commercial blank category and Masters Cast by competitor category
  - TABLED: Bring to membership for discussion.
- 3D Printed entries and how they should fit within the divisions?
  - Points made: 3D printing yourself is actually harder then molding and casting
  - Buying a file you still need to edit within the design programs
  - Not much available premade/ already printed

- TABLED: Bring to membership for more discussion
- Interpretive Division/Category: Update
  - Reword and notify membership of update when the packet is out.
  - 1 entry: meaning if an entry is entered as interpretive it cant be entered in another category
  - Have the Habitat Judge judge interpretive as well (update contract)

MOTION made to accept all updates to the Interpretive category by Robert Slogeris  
2nd by Elaine Unrath

## New Business:

### Hall of Fame Committee: UPDATES

- Mike Lagorio
- Charlie Fanta
- Pat and Charlie Walker
- Don Gadillie
  - Suggested recipients:
    - Joel Krichbaum
    - Bob Parkey
    - Jim Dievrie (sp?)
    - Mike Burden
    - Randy Desormeau
- Alcohol:
  - No price on keg
  - Maybe offer a single drink token to each registered competitor?
  - 2 bars instead of 1 instead of keg
- Out of state board memberships
  - TABLED
- FB Members Page
  - 30 days after the show remove non paid members
  - Let new requests sit until membership is paid
- Build new backerboards / repair any that need it?
  - 10 new vendor boards
    - 10 4x8 sheets plywood
    - 60 8' 2x4s
    - ¼" screws and 20 hinges
  - 4-5 old ones need repairs
  - Get material list quoted and bring to board for approval
  - Build at Legends? Set a date.
- By Law Committee:
  - Members contacted and asked to print/highlight.
  - Meeting at August Seminar Event
- Judges Contracts Updates: Contract haven't been sent out yet.
  - Travel type
  - Hotel preferences

- Seminar info
- Critique availability (noon sunday)
- Judging starts Friday after judges meeting
- Send Elaine and Kelly a rough draft
- Novice, Youth, Commercial Judges:
  - Jim Unrath- Birds
  - Curtis Cook- Deer
  - Tom Stombaugh- Mammals/GH
  - Ron Acker - Fish
- 2023 Convention Seminars
  - Non set yet, send Travis any Idea
- Sponsorships:
  - Set \$ amounts for awards, Monetary sponsorships etc
  - Get an actual list put together
  - Kandi might have her old idea list
- Hotel Block: Not booked yet
  - 80 to start at Hampton
  - 40 at Casino
  - 20-25 somewhere else?
- Seminar Event
  - Venue and schedule all set
  - They set up but we can get in /walkthrough at 9:30am
- Board Mileage Cap?
  - TABLED till after bylaws are completed
- Photography
  - Buy an MTA Backdrop or two, maybe a couple lights?
  - Up the quality of photos and take more then one per mount

With there being no other business of the Michigan Taxidermist Association Board, the following action was made:

ACTION: Robert Slogeris motioned to adjourn the meeting. 2nd by Todd Ekstom

ALL IN FAVOR

MTA Board meeting was adjourned at 9:01pm

Respectively Submitted; Kelly Agren, Secretary