



**UP CHAPTER OF THE MCUL**  
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UP Chapter Executive Meeting  
January 6, 2022  
Embers CU  
Marquette, MI

I. Call to Order: Chapter Chair, Chris Ison called the meeting to order at 3:14 pm EST

II. Roll Call

Present were: Chris Ison, Lynda Ellis, Ray Theoret, Mindy Brezsko, David Rautiola, Darcy McLean, David Black – Executive Committee. MCUL Rep. Jordan Kingdon. Tyler DuBord and Katie Wilcox – Committee Chairs. Connie Toensing and Jim Veneskey were absent

III. Minutes of Previous Meetings

- a. Minutes from the previous regular meeting, September 23, 2021 were approved on a motion by David Black supported by David Rautiola, motion carried.

IV. Correspondence

- a. None

V. Reports:

- a. League Director: Connie Toensing – was absent but emailed a report. The 2022 MCUL Strategic Plan was approved along with the MCUL Budget and Advocacy for the State and Federal topics. The MCUL's new Mission Statement – To support and protect the cooperative credit union movement in Michigan. The board approved the recommended 2021 State and Federal Lawmaker and staff persons of the year. Information items are as follows: Governance Manual in the process of being edited, and additional compliance person, changes to the Full Share Investment in CULink premiums for credit unions, among other items.
- b. Chapter Chair: Chris Ison – Chris is up for reelection and will not be rerunning, we will have 3 openings and 2 incumbents plan on completing the self-nomination form.
- c. Treasurer and Budget: Ray Theoret
  1. The Chapter balance as of December 31, 2021 is \$41,822.88. Executive Committee balance is \$26,614.08, Annual Meeting Committee balance is \$9,585.58, Golf Committee balance is \$4,838.84, and Education Committee is a balance of \$784.38. It was noted that the Education Committee fund received \$337.50 due to funds left over for MLO Training.
  2. The budget was discussed, leaving the formula the same but increasing dues to a maximum of \$1,500.00. A motion to make this change was made by David Rautiola and supported by Lynda Ellis, motion carried.
- d. Audit Committee: David Rautiola will coordinate with Ray Theoret on a date to audit December 31, 2021 financials.

- e. Marketing: Chris apologized for not reaching out to Steve Smith, prior to this meeting. He will reach out to him for future involvement.
- f. Education: Mindy Brezsko – Nothing to report.
- g. Events: Darcy McLean – No signed contract yet for the Island House, for Manager’s Conference.
- h. Golf Committee: Tyler Dubord – Nothing to report.
- i. Annual Meeting Committee: Connie Toensing – was absent but emailed a report – The committee met on December 8, 2021 at the Island Resort and Casino. Darcy resigned from the committee and Connie announced this will be her last year for chairing the committee. She has delegated duties, to provide knowledge for the coming years. The resort has a new addition, offering 120 more hotel rooms and a new restaurant on the 11<sup>th</sup> floor. Also, a new meeting room, which we will look at holding the Business Meeting in this new location. With the convention scheduled for April 29 to May 1, our theme this year is Kentucky Derby. Most plans should remain the same. Packets are supposed to be on the website mid-January.
- j. League Consultant: Jordan Kingdon – Discussed Pay Day lending, Member Exploitation policy information now available, new compliance person, Cuna and State GAC is coming up along with training education conferences, which is both virtual and live. Also discussed how the CULink contributions changed and a few other CU Solutions items were discussed.
- k. Legislative: Katie Wilcox – Discussed reaching out to committee members, Dawn and Kim to get together and come up with some plans moving forward. Award was given to David at MI Tech CU for the ASFM Circle of Excellence award and Connie at Chippewa County CU for the Federal PAC Chairman’s award.
- l. 906 hYPe: Katie Wilcox – Discussed trying to get things updated and getting hYPe active again.
- m. Website: Jennie Gylock – absent – no report

David Black motioned to accept all reports and Darcy supported, motion carried.

VI. Old Business – Budget and new dues cap was discussed with Budget Report.

VII. New Business

- A. Nomination Committee – David Black to run the elections and Chris will get Nomination forms and information to Jordan to get emails out.
- B. Chapter awards were discussed and how it is sent to request nominations. Chris and Lynda will look into old information for the awards so we may get the request for nominations sent out to vote on at the next meeting.
- C. Next meeting to be Wednesday February 23, 2022 at 3:00 pm by Zoom.

Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 4:23 pm  
Respectfully submitted by: Lynda Ellis, Secretary