

# **Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

10/7/2024 @ 1230 hrs. [ET] - held via Microsoft Teams Mtg

- Amanda DiStefano, Vice President of Administration & Acting President [present]
- Kelly Jones, Vice President of Membership [present]
- Adrienne Hoffman-Lewis, Treasurer [present]
- Christine Garvin, Secretary [present]

# (Acting) President & VP of Administration [Amanda DiStefano] General Updates:

Will be sending out an email regarding the change in MARACA's President; as well as an email about the upcoming 1-day Virtual Conference, cohosted with NYALEA.

Website & domain name have been renewed for another year. This fee should be able to be managed easily with MARACA's funds on a yearly basis.

#### **Trainings**

- October Lunch & Learn: [Sovereign Citizens], Date TBD, 12pm 1pm
  - May be moved to December if unable to schedule a suitable date in October or add it to the 1-day conference,
  - Dave Curry with MCAC/MSP will be the trainer.
- November 21<sup>st</sup> will be the 1-day Virtual Conference cohosted with NYALEA.
  - Announcement with Save the date will go out later today, as well as asking for any volunteers to teach trainings or training topics,
  - Registration announcement to go out by end of next week [10/18]
  - o Save the Date social media announcement has gone out via LinkedIn,
  - Amanda will get clarification regarding payments & collecting the payments,
    - \$ is to be collected by MARACA and all profits to be split evenly with NYALEA,
    - Need to create a registration form,
    - Discussed using Eventbrite or Square to take payments,
      - Need to compare the fees they both charge,
  - \$40 Non-members; \$25 members [students will be allowed if topics are not LE sensitive]
  - 4 Webinars total for the day

# VP of Membership [Kelly Jones]

#### Membership

Current members: 39 [5 MARACA only; 34 DUAL members]

#### **Invoices**

Invoices sent in August, most members have paid, those that have not, a second invoice will go out later today [10/7] or tomorrow [10/8].

Sent updated list to IACA and received more prorated Montgomery County PD invoices however they should be up to date on all payments; working to get this clarified with IACA.

Issue with outstanding payment from 2023 for Baltimore County analyst finally resolved and payment has been received for 2023 & 2024.

Discussed membership of Kelsey Hannah [MARACA's social media coordinator] & DeNeisha Wallace [MARACA's training coordinator]; all agreed that their MARACA membership dues are waived & they should be added to the membership list as dual members since they both currently have IACA memberships.

#### **Treasurer [Adrienne Hoffman-Lewis]**

# **Treasurer's Report**

- Bank account balance: \$553.70.
  - Paid IACA, \$418
  - Website w/ Domain name, \$325
  - Registered Agent fee, \$125 paid in June [good for year] may look for another cheaper one.
  - o PO Box renewal
  - Buttons for IACA conference, \$118
- Tax Filing no updates.

#### **Secretary [Christine Garvin]**

#### **IACA Conference Recap**

- Great networking; not as much time as previous year for regional association networking
- 2025 IACA Conference: Orlando, FL [9/8 9/12]
- Community Groups [Under Forums, then Groups]
  - o This is available thru the IACA so only dual members will be able to access this site,
  - It is NOT CJIS compliant, so is not a good place for sharing bulletins or criminal information,
  - It is good for sharing announcements, questions, events, etc.,

- No direct emails, individuals will need to log in to see if they have a new message,
- Need to determine who wants to be administrators for this or name the entire Executive Board as administrators,
- RAC discussed making "community groups" a topic for an upcoming monthly Chat since most regionals are not utilizing it at this time,

# **RAC [Regional Associations Committee] Updates**

- RAC Logo, looking for submissions if anyone is feeling creative; there will be a prize for the submitting analyst & association.
  - Agreed to ask Kelsey to come up with ideas,
- October/November RAC Chat #7 will be on "analyst salary",
- Newest regional association just formed Commonwealth of Kentucky Analytical Group [CKAG]; they may reach out for assistance from other regionals,
- RAC Committee Changes
  - Erin is stepping down at the end of 2024, looking for interested volunteer(s), nominees will be selected by IACA Board
  - Any POC's (Regional Point of Contacts changing) swapping in/out with the new year, needs to be updated.

#### **RAPP** [Regional Associations Perk Program]

- \$445 to be awarded to a member in 2024.
  - Too late to award & have them redeem for 2024 trainings,
  - If we do the Virtual training day, would like to enter all MARACA [dual member]
     attendees into a drawing & one lucky person will win the "2025" \$445 training voucher
     to be applied towards the 2025 IACA conference or one online 12-week IACA class.
    - Executive Board agreed on this option; announcement to go out with email regarding the 1-day Virtual Conference

#### **Hurricane Helene Relief**

- FCIAA created a survey & donation site for victims of Hurricane Helene & Milton.
  - Agreed at this time that MARACA is unable to financially assist but agreed to send the email out to all members if anyone is interested in donating; email sent 10/7.

#### 2025 Elections, President & Treasurer

- Working on finalizing the "election process" timeline. Tentative timeline:
  - 4/1/2025, email to MARACA members, announcing the election & the process,
  - 4/20 5/17, self-nomination phase
    - Submit emails with interest & which position to the MARACA secretary,
  - o 5/20, deadline to submit any campaign statements or videos
  - 5/25, Email or Post campaign statements & videos to the MARACA member email distribution list

- 5/28 6/14, voting period; create a voting form or see if an email can be sent with voting options [like outlook]
- o 6/20, Board & Candidates are notified
- o 6/23, Announce results to MARACA membership
- o 7/1/2025 new Executive Board members take office.

#### **End of the Year Newsletter**

- Send out mid-December, recap 2024 highlights
- Upcoming 2025 news

# Gift for Ako [a Thank you for getting MARACA started]

Discussed different options; she likes wine, may look into getting a wine glass with "maracas" etched on [not the word, just the symbols] and some bottles of wine.

**Next Executive Board Meeting:** 1/14/2024 at 12:30pm, virtual **In-person [Tentative] Executive Board Meeting:** January possibly in lieu of the virtual meeting, date/time TBD,

Tentative Quarterly Executive Board meetings in 2025 for the second Tuesday of the month:

1/14/2025 12:30pm 4/8/2025 12:30pm 7/8/2025 12:30pm 10/14/2025 12:30pm 1/13/2026 12:30pm

Meeting ended @ 1323 hrs.	
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Secretary	Date