#### **OPENING**

Meeting was called to order by President Frances Smidt at 8:05 AM on January 20, 2022

## **PRESENT**

President Frances Smidt, Vice President Jason Johnson, Secretary/Treasurer Erica Kragness, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Christine Riihimaki, Committee persons Susan Tiffany, Jesse Hanson, and Lisa Rittenhouse

## **PLEDGE OF ALLIGANCE**

A prayer submitted by Carla read by President Smidt

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion made by Jason to approve agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> MC

## **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Correction for the Date for this meeting, and a spelling error, motion made by Erica to approve the minutes with corrections 2nd MC

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Erica gave membership report, we are down in membership.

**Financial report by Erica**. Report given, Erica will be working with Tommy Turner to fix some line items. Discussion about printing the financial report every six months in the newsletter, we all agreed. We discussed to invest in another CD for \$25,000.00, motion by Christy 2<sup>nd</sup> to invest \$25,000.00 in another CD MC.

**Secretary Training** Board discussed the possibility of the secretaries having spring training and paying them to go if such training happens with the pandemic. Susan made the motion to pay the daily rate of pay to attend training whether it be virtual or in person. 2<sup>nd</sup> MC

# **National Convention**

Erica gave us update info on her National Delegate training. Lisa Wojnarowski to train us on ballot software and we discussed what we should compensate her up to \$500.00, Jason made the motion to pay Lisa \$500.00 to help with the ballot software  $2^{nd}$  MC

P.O box is rented in Tomahawk. May 5, 2022 is the last day to accept nominations at PO Box. Election committee to meet May 19<sup>th</sup> and the 26<sup>th</sup>, most likely Tomah area. Ballots must hit mail stream by May 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Spring conference** is in Wisconsin Rapids Susan gave us an update on facility, board duties and we discussed speaker suggestions. Rooms are \$82.00 per night plus tax. Our board will meet on March 25, officer training on 26<sup>th</sup>, meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

# LUNCH BREAK 11:58 BACK IN SESSION 12:44 pm

**Discussion on Local county assignments.** There are some double county unit dates for the same board member, need to make phone calls to adjust these. **Midstates is in Council Bluffs, IA May 6-9<sup>th</sup> 2022.** Discussion to ride together as much as possible. We will be paid daily per diem plus actual expenses. **State convention presented by Susan.** It will be in Rhinelander, WI June 24, 25 and 26 2022. Susan presented a layout of all the meeting rooms and gave options for catering the food. Joni M will be presenting a retirement seminar on Saturday from 9-12 pm. Room rates are \$89.00 per room.

**Update on 2023 convention in Racine, WI,** Susan is in contact with them. Susan gave update on 2024 site locations, Region 7, looked into three possible locations in Fond du lac, WI.

Discussion on Statewide zoom with NRO RRECS. Jeanette Dwyer to attend spring conference or not. Motion was made by Lisa to cover the cost of a statewide zooms meeting to discuss RRECS, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion did not pass. It was decided to see what National will do.

Erica got an inventory update from everyone. Christy needs a new economical printer, she is currently using her own at \$.10 per copy. Motion was made by Jason to spend up to \$600.00 for a brother color printer, 2<sup>nd</sup> MC.

Recess to 8:00 AM Tomorrow

Back in session 8:10AM

Board policies tabled until next meeting. There was discussion regarding past board members passing away Flowers? Medallion? Discussion on March newsletter and what everyone will be writing about. Finally RRECS will be completed by the end of this year. Discussions on Resolution and Constitutional changes should start at local county meetings. Discussion on Union Representation for rural carrier craft at the Orientation. Ideas were discussed who would be good at doing this. We had one person respond to our one page ad in the last bulletin.

**Academy Supplies** Jesse made a motion we order 1,000 more phone wallets, 2<sup>nd</sup> MC. In addition we will order more money bags as needed, motion by Jesse 2<sup>nd</sup> MC.

Motion to adjourn by Christy at 1:10 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> MC

Christine Riihimaki Assistant/Secretary