

## MSPA 2010 CONVENTION MEETING

September 23, 2010 at the Crown Plaza Hotel, Billings, Mt

Mary Lemons called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Duane McCullough determined that we had quorum present.

Mary Lemons had the minutes from the General Meeting held in Missoula last year passed out for the members to view. Colleen Black moved for acceptance, Gary Kasper seconded. Passed.

Mary Lemons passed out the 2010-2011 Budget to all present. The Board had approved it at the September 22, 2010 meeting.

Mary Lemons suspended with Committee Reports due to that fact that they had been presented at the Board meeting.

Becky Spencer, Nominating Committee Chair, reported that she had Elaine Mitchell, Mary Partridge and Lenita Hanson for the two Board Member positions (Jim Simons and Renee Simmons) that are open, seconded by Colleen Black. Lenita Hanson nominated Becky Spencer, seconded by Gloria Albright. Colleen Black nominated Frank Kuehn and Susie Steffanich, Gloria Albright seconded. Becky Spencer reminded all that we should have people with experience in this organization in these positions. Mary Partridge then declined the nomination, as she felt she was a newbie. Rae Dawn Pasco asked that nominations be closed, Mike Sullivan seconded. Ballots were by writing. Per Van Barron and Duane McCullough the two new Board Members are Lenita Hanson and Becky Spencer.

During the break for the counting Jeanne suggested that Mary have past State Director, Becky Spencer and current State Director, Gloria Albright give a report from National. Becky Spencer shared that the presentation of the American Flag flown over the White House to outgoing President Robert Cross from District Nine was very awesome. She related that Karen Hawkins, director of Profession Practice, feels that we have a whole new profession emerging due to the PTIN registration. National provided good education. The bylaw change was canceled in committee. A virtual membership is on the horizon. The next Annual Convention will be in Anchorage, Alaska.

Andy Moorehead, past NSA president, reported that it was nice after nine years to be free of the duties. He is however chauffeuring Bob Cross to the next board meeting. He reported on the website, he will remain active on the ACT and NSBA educational program for the future IRS testing for preparer registration. He thanked us for asking him to be part of our State Convention.

With no old or new business brought to the floor, Mary Lemons asked Andy Moorehead to install the two new directors. Immediately following, Lenita Hanson presented Andy Moorehead with a thank you gift.

Gloria Albright moved that we adjourn, Colleen Black seconded. Passed.