

October 14, 2017

- Meeting began at 1:10 with introductions and pizza
- Gordon Shepherd, MSSA President, welcomed everyone
- Ryan Cragun gave a financial report noting that the MSSA has three accounts (checking, Mel Hammarberg Fund, Armand Mauss Founders Fund) with close to \$3,000 total.
- Gordon Shepherd then raised a number of motions for the body to consider.
- Motion 1: A communications director shall be appointed by the MSSA president in consultation with the board of directors for a three-year- term. The communications director may serve an unlimited number of consecutive terms.
 - Motion passed unanimously
- Motion 2: The communications director's duties shall include, but not be limited to, the following: Maintaining and updating the social media accounts of the association (Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, etc.); cultivating media relations and advertising all Association events and activities; coordinating communication and advertising needs with the president and other Association board members.
 - Motion passed unanimously
- Motion 3: That Christine Cusack be appointed as the MSSA Communications Director.
 - Motion passed unanimously
- Motion 4: The secretary/treasurer shall deposit Association revenues into a general fund, to be designated as the "The Armand Mauss Founders' Fund." This general fund shall service any other funds the Board sees fit to establish, and shall also service the honorarium costs of the Vernon Lecture.
 - Motion passed unanimously
- Motion 5: The Association shall obtain and maintain an official 501c3 status as a non-profit organization in order to make tax-deductible any monetary contributions it receives from donors to the Armand Mauss Founders' fund.
 - Ram Cnaan suggested we email him to discuss 501c3. Other options: Jason Singh, Craig Woodfield.
 - Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion 6: Association membership dues shall be increased to \$25 a year. Dues for students will remain at \$10 a year.
 - Discussed other uses of funds - student papers, student travel,
 - Keep student dues at \$10
 - Discussed adjusting website
 - More advertising
 - Mormon Social Science Association in program
 - Need better outreach
 - Motion passed unanimously.
- Meeting adjourned.