



General Assembly Business Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 27, 2020
Hilton Garden Inn at Levis Commons in Perrysburg
Submitted: January 22, 2021

The regular meeting of the General Assembly was held on Monday, January 27, 2020. The meeting was held at 10 a.m. in Commodore Ballroom Parlors D and E at the Hilton Garden Inn, 6165 Levis Commons Blvd. in Perrysburg, Ohio.

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance – Chair Doris Herringshaw called the meeting to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes – A *motion* was made by Ottawa Hills Village Council Member Dana Dunbar and *seconded* by Sylvania Mayor Craig Stough to approve minutes from the January 28, 2019 meeting; the motion passed.

Chair’s Remarks – Doris Herringshaw, chair of TMACOG, welcomed everyone to the annual General Assembly. She introduced those seated on stage at the head table. Herringshaw then reported on TMACOG initiatives in the areas of Water Quality and Transportation.

Vice Chair’s Remarks – Mark Stahl, vice chair of TMACOG, recognized all new elected officials New elected officials, breakfast sponsor Poggemeyer Design Group, Inc., past TMACOG chairs, and exhibitors were recognized and thanked for their participation. Attendees were encouraged to visit the exhibits during the 11 a.m. networking break.

President’s Report – Tim Brown reported announced the 30th anniversary of the Student Watershed Watch. A short video was shown about the SWW and the sponsors of the program were recognized and thanked. Brown recognized and thanked TMACOG staff members for the work they do on behalf of the region. He recognized and thanked state legislators who were in attendance as well as all members for their participation in TMACOG.

Public Comment Period – During the public comment period a guest asked if any of the caucuses had discussed how former employers are turning to qualified ex-felons to fill positions in their organizations and could possibly tap into this population to meet their employment needs. Paul Knollman, facilitator of the School Districts and Colleges/Universities Caucus, noted that individuals in return to learn situations, anyone coming out from an institutionalized system, those returning to work after combatting medical issues, underemployed individuals, and anyone looking to re-enter the job market are an important part of basic education system plans and strategies.

Caucus Reports – Each caucus facilitator reported on what was discussed during their meetings. Highlights from the caucuses will be posted on the TMACOG’s website and will appear in the February issues of the electronic Big Picture newsletter.

Leadership Development Committee Report – Chair Herringshaw presented *Resolution No. 2020-01, Amending the Bylaws of the Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments*, a copy of which is included in the registration folder. A *motion* was made by Oregon Administrator Michael Beazley and *seconded* by Safety Council of Northwest Ohio President/CEO Dennis McMickens to approve the resolution as presented; the motion carried unanimously.

Chair Herringshaw presented the 2020 nominees for chair and vice chair: Ottawa County Commissioner Mark Stahl and Sandusky County Commissioner Kay Reiter. She opened the floor for other nominations. Hearing none, a *motion* was made by Dennis McMickens and *seconded* by Monroe County Community College Dean of the Business Division Paul Knollman to close the nominations. Stahl and Reiter abstained; the motion passed. A *motion* was made by Craig Stough and *seconded* by Dennis McMickens to elect the above nominees for chair and vice chair. Stahl and Reiter abstained; the motion passed.

Adjourn/Swearing-In of Officers – Chair Herringshaw called for an adjournment of the meeting to reconvene with the new officers. The Honorable Mark L. Pietrykowski, Judge of the Ohio District 6 Court of Appeals and TMACOG Chair Emeritus, administered the oaths of office to the incoming chair and vice chair of TMACOG.

Business Meeting Reconvened with New Officers – The business meeting was reconvened with the 2020 officers. Chair Stahl and Vice Chair Reiter gave brief remarks. A *motion* was made by Dennis McMickens and *seconded* Swanton Village Administrator Rosanna Hoelzle, to adjourn the meeting; the motion passed.

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