SkillsUSA Advisor Council Meeting Minutes
Amway Grand Plaza Hotel, Grand Rapids
October 21, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Linda Ward at 5:50PM.

Those in attendance were: Rosa Williams-Dorsey Parliamentarian and 2 West Jr. Rep, Tammy Brown-State Director, Hayley Lee- State President Kent Career Center, Mary Ellen Brocklehurst-Treasurer and Eaton ISD, Dan Wanink-Ferris, Dave Waite, Marv Argersinger-LCC Automotive, Tom Grindem-2 East Sr. Rep, Julie Ivan-President, Patty Fox 2 West Sr. Rep, Linda Ward

Minutes were approved by Linda Ward.

MaryEllen Brocklehurst gave Treasurer’s report, there were no changes. An audit was filed at $653.43.

Dave Wait provided a Budget Report. Currently housing through office and budget is on track with a net increase of $4,038.56. Schools that closed caused for bad debt, had to write it off, because they were not involved anymore. EMU will be changing operating account as it gets large. Discussion re: schools use of credit card and it is difficult to get the money. WLTI is negative due to flow through money. The budget committee meets in Feb or March and will be determined. The State Conference cost will be identified after the technical meeting.

Tammy Brown gave a Director’s Report
a.) Executive Council Report: Hayley Lee State SkillsUSA President received a WLTI scholarship, presented a year in review PowerPoint
b.) New Schools – do have a count as of this meeting, most are high schools
c.) 22 people attended a New Advisor Workshop on Oct. 6, 2015
d.) 120 people are attending the Technical committee meeting on October 22, 2015
e.) The Fall Leadership Conference will be held on November 4, 2015. The conference is full for the first time with 334 attending. There are 3 new schools attending. Looking at options for future years
f.) Newsletters should have been received

Regional Reports
Region 1 – Ron Kinch, Mark LaFollette, a meeting will be held in November at Jackson Career Center
Region 2E – Tom Grindem, Brad Pollum, Financially strong, Regionals are being held at different building within our region
Region 2W – Patty Fox, Rosa Williams, Two weeks ago Fall Leadership raised dues, New Equipment is needed for cosmetology competition
Region 3 – no Report
Region 4 - Tammy will be going to Region 4 to give presentation, she will be there for 3-4 days
Region 5 – John Partridge, David Mackey, They are holding a Nov. meeting and competitions will be taking place in various areas.

Unfinished Business
There is no unfinished business.

New Business
a.) Keynote speaker - Molly Kennedy is keynote speaker with topic of “Creating Champions Within”
b.) Michigan Statesman Award – this is new and from WLTI
   Students could earn the Statesman Award at the State Conference, there is no hockey game this year, therefore from 8:00-10:00PM, students could participate in activities to earn award.
   Students would need to know 10 facts, the pledge, general Skills knowledge
   Looking at ordering 300 pins. The cost is approx. $400.00. Will do for 3 years, then review
   Students would be recognized at Closing ceremony, depending on number they would go on stage or stand. Tammy will inform number competing at registration
   c.) State Pin and T-shirt Design contests:
   State Pin – will make a complete competition at States
   State T-shirt – will make a complete competition at States
   State Conference program cover – State Officers will choose what design will be on program
   d.) National Conference – The state decided they will not be official in Michigan
      i. Michigan Motor Coaches at NLSC were bad at Nationals, this was covered at the July meeting

Committee Reports – none

New business updates:
The medal ceremony, asking Dan to slow down. There will be a raffle at end of closing ceremony to keep everyone there.
With membership up hopefully numbers at ceremony will be up also.
Nolan Rogers, a past State Officer from Bay-Arenac ISD was hired to be Social Media Specialist. He will present at the Fall Leadership conference on Social Media for chapters.

Next Meeting: March 2, 2016 3:30PM Conference Call. There will be a Budget Committee meeting in Feb.

Motion by Mary Ellen Brocklehurst to adjourn and seconded by Tom Grindem. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:55PM.

Meeting minutes taken by Patty Fox, submitted by Kathy Dardas.