



National Big Dipper Auxiliary
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
January 23, 2024

Meeting Called to Order at 8:02 p.m.

Roll Call of Officers

President - Pat Lomonaco - Present
1VP - Connie Moler - Present
Rec Sec – Coni Brooks - Excused
Fin Sec – Gen Schindler - Present
Treasurer – Diana Vance - Present
Dept of OH President – Suzanne Hughes - Excused
Dept of MI President – Claudette-Lunney - Present
BDPNP – Beth Bohannan - Present
BDPNP – Theresa Koontz - Excused
NEB Representative – National President Rebecca Stafford – Present

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2023, Big Dipper Executive Board meeting with corrections; motion seconded; **motion passed with one (1) abstention.**

Approval of Financial Reports:

Motion from committee to approve the November 2023 Financial Report as presented; **motion passed with no abstentions.**

Motion from committee to approve the December 2023 Financial Report as presented; **motion passed with no abstentions.**

Discussion of Past Due Compliance: Financial Secretary currently working on corrections to the Balance Sheet for 2023 Compliance.

Officers' Reports

- VP/Membership – current membership 179
- Treasurer – report emailed to officers prior to the meeting.
- Secretary – no report

Old Business

1. Motion to ratify the January 11, 2024, email vote rescinding Motions #1 and #2 from the December 20, 2023 Big Dipper Executive Committee Meeting; motion ratified with one abstention (1).
2. Motion to remove from the Eligibility/Limitations for Assistance Award section of the JCEA program guidelines the stipulation of "Honorable Discharge Status"; motion seconded; motion passed with no abstentions.
3. Motion to add the following to the Ineligibility Section of the JCEA program guidelines: Applicants must use these funds to attend only accredited schools; motion seconded; motion passed with no abstentions.
4. Quilt Update – no report
5. Handouts Update – no report

New Business

1. Discussion: Big Dipper representatives in each chapter
Motion to establish a Big Dipper Rep program for our chapters; motion seconded; motion passed with no abstentions.
2. Discussion: Incentives for Big Dipper member recruitment. Expectations for BD Reps and framework of the program to be developed by the beginning of April.
Motion to move BD membership recruitment drive to June through July 15, 2024, with a contest for the most registered members per capita in a chapter during that period; motion seconded; motion passed with no abstentions.
3. Discussion of a prize of one (1) free membership for the following year 2024-2025. Discussion of whether the prize would go to the Chapter Big Dipper Rep or to the chapter itself to award to a member of their choice. The winner of the prize to be announced at Convention 2024.
4. Motion to adopt the theme **"Born to be Wild on Route 66" for 2024 Fun Night**; motion seconded; motion passed with no abstentions. Theme will not to be revealed until National President makes her announcement regarding the convention theme.

Break 9:05 p.m. EST – 9:10 p.m. EST

President invited the appointed Big Dipper officers to join the meeting at 9:11 p.m. EST

Respectfully Submitted by
Connie Moler
National Big Dipper VP