



MINNESOTA VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS ACTIVE in DISASTER (MN VOAD)

Minutes

Date: March 28, 2015

Venue: Hennepin County Technical College

Attendance: All conference attendees (see list of all voting delegates present at the conference and who voted electronically)*

MNVOAD Year in Review

Meeting was called to order by President Ruth Talford at 12:15 pm who showed the “Get-Ready-Gopher” video that MNVOAD produced. She also gave a review of our work in 2014 which included coordinated responses to MN and IA flooding. Also, Minnesota VOAD members participated in Detroit flooding cleanup as well. Ms. Talford also briefly went over the By-laws revisions that are to be voted on today and welcomed three new members to MN VOAD: Team Rubicon, ER Assist, and the Initiative Foundation.

Approval of Minutes and Treasurer’s Report

*Charlie Obrien motioned and Sharon Morgan seconded to approve the minutes; **PASSED***

*Charlie Obrien motioned and Ed Olson seconded to approve the treasurer’s report; **PASSED***

By-Laws Revisions

The by-laws revision was adopted by a vote of: 20 Yea’s and 1 Abstention

Board Elections

The following members were elected to the Board for a two-year term:
Tom Anderson; Les Morrison; Marie Putnam; and Judy Rae.

Announcements and Opportunities

The Under One Roof conference will be May 19 and 20 in Duluth and information will be sent about the conference by the president.

If you would like to join our email distribution list please put your name and contact information on the list at the MNVOAD table.

Minnesota will be hosting the 2016 National VOAD conference May 16 – 19, 2016.

John Moore from the HSEM Director of Recovery and Mitigation thanked MNVOAD for all of their efforts this past year.

President Talford gave special recognition and a special award to Garrett Alessandroni for his many years of service to MNVOAD.

North Star Award

Charlie O’Brien, past president, and Dennis Walter presented this year’s award to Ruth Talford.



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Some of the Raffle items were presented at the meeting and the remainder were to be distributed at the end of the conference.

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Christopulos
MN VOAD Secretary

*Voting members present at Conference and/or who voted electronically:

Name	Attended Conference	Voted:
Alessandroni, Garrett	X	X
Anderson, Daniel	X	X
Anderson, Tom	X	X
Borochoff, Gene	X	X
Cristopolus, Daniel	X	X
Fleischinger, Barb	X	X
Frank, Dan	X	X
Geissinger, Glenn	X	X
Hall, Jill	X	X
Heuerman, Robert	X	X
Keaveny, Thomas	X	X
Korus, David	X	X
Mathison, Heidi	X	X
Morgan, Sharon	X	X
Morrison, Les	X	X
Olson, Ed	X	X
Olson, Maryn	X	X
Pfenning, Renee	X	X
Philips, Betsy	X	X
Talford, Ruth	X	X
Vennerstrom, Cheryl	X	X
*Brazelton, Liza	Attended but after vote	