

**Association of Lutheran Development Executives  
Heartland Chapter Meeting Minutes**

**June 28, 2007**

**Holland Performing Arts Center- Omaha, Nebraska**

Chapter Members Present: Please refer to the event attendance record.

Others Present: Please refer to the event attendance record.

**I. Call to Order**

A. A meeting of the Association of Lutheran Development Executives (ALDE) Heartland Chapter was called to order at 11:15 a.m. by Craig Stirtz, President. Steve Sirek offered an opening prayer.

B. A proposed meeting agenda was provided to attendees.

**M/S/C to approve the meeting agenda as amended.**

C. The minutes of the February 11, 2007 and the April 26, 2007 meetings were handed out prior to the meeting.

**M/S/C to approve the minutes of the February 11 and April 26 meetings as presented.**

D. Jason Gerdes, Treasurer, distributed the Treasurer's Report for the period April 26, 2007 through June 28, 2007. He reported the current account balance is \$2,459.39. It was noted that we still have an outstanding bill from our last meeting.

**M/S/C to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.**

**II. Chapter Officers**

President – Dave Fuerst

Vice President – Maxine Dougherty

Secretary – Heather Abbott

Treasurer – Jason Gerdes

At-Large – Kathleen Al-Marhoon

Maxine acknowledged Craig Stirtz years of service to the Heartland Chapter by offering a round of applause.

**III. Chapter Coordinator Appointments**

Education/Ethics Coordinator- Matt Sheffield

Communication Coordinator – Kathleen Al-Marhoon

Membership Coordinator- Jordan Grummert-Rasmussen

We are currently looking for someone to fill the positions of Mentoring and Legislative coordinators. If you are interested please talk to someone on the executive committee.

#### IV. Spirit of Giving Award

Since the executive committee does not meet until after the chapter meeting, Craig announced that we have not selected a 2007 Spirit of Giving recipient. Therefore, there is still time to nominate someone. The Spirit of Giving is about giving, but why they give is the bigger question. As we look for people that give from their hearts. If you know of anyone that fits this profile please let a person on the executive committee know. The date is determined by the recipients; however, we usually try for a date in October.

#### V. Ethics Moment

Matt shared a scenario about a school that had a corporate partner. Twenty of their families worked at this corporation, which had a 100% matching gift program. They were doing a capital campaign and had figured that those families would make a contribution and the corporation would match it. However, it was discovered that the companies matching gift program did not cover capital campaigns. What would you do to make sure that the families were happy along with the corporations and staying within the guidelines of the corporation?

#### VI. Chapter Reports

Brenda Solomon reported that the ALDE International Conference is in Chicago from February 29, 2008 through March 3, 2008. Scholarships are available if you are a new ALDE member. Craig reported that there are a couple of days left to make a gift to the annual fund. The goal is \$25,000 for this year, they are up to \$20,000. Envelopes are available at the back table.

#### VII. Chapter Objectives for 2007

Craig reviewed the chapter objectives as follows:

##### A. Provide Educational Programs to Grow Professionally –

Next meeting is August 15<sup>th</sup> at NLOM – Annual Giving by Dennis Meyer- 2:00 with social event after

##### B. Increase Membership

##### C. Encourage CFRE Certification

##### D. Support National Mentoring Initiatives

Craig passed around the attendance record. He asked everyone there to check their information, if correct mark with your initials, if incorrect please change. In addition, if you anyone was interested in mentoring or being mentored, please mark the appropriate box.

##### E. Support ALDE Financially – Craig reported members can contribute to the ALDE Annual Fund and designated 25% of their gift for the Heartland Chapter. We have the highest percent of people that give to the annual fund.

#### VIII. Other Business

Steve Steil is the worship chairman for the 2007 conference. If anyone is interested in helping please contact Steve.

Lloyd Probasco passed around information on SCOLDE. Lloyd asked if people would read the information and if they would let him know if this was something that people would be interest in or not. In addition, if anyone had any comments they are to contact Lloyd.

IX. Mission Moment – Diane Kelly from Nebraska Lutheran Campus Ministries.

Diane Kelly talked about her organization, Nebraska Lutheran Campus Ministries, located in Kearney, Omaha, Lincoln and Wayne. They also have partnerships with community colleges. They provide a safe environment for students and build leadership skills in students.

X. Adjournment

Introductions were made around the room.

Being no further business, Craig adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Abbott

Secretary