

**ISMTA ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, CHARLESTON
NOVEMBER 1, 2019**

President Christopher Goldston called the meeting to order at 9:19 a.m.

BOARD REPORTS

The portion of the minutes of the board are incorporated by reference.

President – Christopher Goldston

Christopher noted that ISMTA membership is currently over 800, placing Illinois in the higher tier of state membership numbers. Two new collegiate chapters have been added: Southern Illinois University and Roosevelt University. Efforts to include Wheaton College and Northeastern University are ongoing. The 2020 ISMTA Annual Conference is scheduled to be held at Northeastern University. Recent financial adjustments have contributed to a significant increase in the ISMTA account balance.

Treasurer – Jeff Kleinsorge

Jeff reiterated financial observations, drawing attention to major changes in operations costs. He shared the current account balance of \$137,000.00, up \$30,000.00 from last year. AIM had a great year. While continuing to exercise caution, the board will consider offering student scholarships and teacher enrichments grants.

DISCUSSION

Christopher Goldston noted that a state membership brochure is currently in the works. Suggestions or comments should be directed to Linda Barker, Junghwa Lee or Christopher.

Lynette Zelis shared a recent example of a venue requiring sexual misconduct insurance for an event; she recommended the insurance company TULIP, if needed. It was noted that MTNA offers free general liability insurance for members; information can be found on the MTNA website.

Christopher presented the possibility of scheduling a free, one-day leadership summit which would include members of the Advisory Council and the Board of Directors. A discussion followed. Christopher encouraged submission of topics for discussion and reminded members to communicate frequently with their Board representatives.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Hoster
Secretary