# MSCOD COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Highway Federal Credit Union

840 Westminster St., St. Paul, MN 55130

June 4, 2012

## Attendance:

Robert Johnson, Barb Stensland, Kim Tyler, Michelle Trapp, Nate Aalgaard, Stephen Grams, Nancy Rosemore, Dean Ascheman, Kathy Wingen, Carlos Vazquez, Joani Werner, Mark Hughes, Lourdes Mugas-Changcoco, Laurie Hassett, Joan Willshire, Tricia Drury, Diogo Reis, Margot Imdieke Cross, Elizabeth Demski, Colin Stemper, Lauren Siegel, Paraj Acharya, Jill Keen, Linda Lingen, Kristen Batson, Ann Roscoe, Gail Lundeen, Cindy Tarshish, Annie Zaleski were present. Dave Schwartzkopf and Rev.David Sams participated by phone. Kathy Peterson was absent.

## AGENDA

Call to Order

Nominations for Executive Committee

MSCOD Website Update

Strategic Planning

Adjournment

The meeting was called to order at 12:50 p.m.

## Nominations for Executive Council

The nominees for the MSCOD executive council are: Rev.David Sams, Kathy Wingen, Robert Johnson, Laurie Hassett, Dean Ascheman, Barb Stensland and Mark Hughes. The chair asked for nominations from the floor. Rev. Sams nominated Kathy Peterson. The chair asked for nominations from the floor 2 more times. He then closed nominations for the executive council.

## MSCOD Website Update

Diogo Reis presented a brief update on the new MSCOD website. The website was redesigned in order to make it accessible to all. It also provides a better perspective on MSCOD functions, publications, news and events. It further provides a guide to related organizations and sites and other resources both topical and alphabetical.

## Strategic Planning 2012

Ann Roscoe, Cindy Tarshish and Margot Imdieke Cross presented the current status of MSCOD’s strategic goals. Ann Roscoe reported that CILS is now being used as a community resource for veterans; however, Minnesota is slow to develop an Olmstead plan, a plan for the transition of people from nursing homes to the community, which was mandated in 1999. Cindy Tarshish assists MSCOD in the area of employment, which continues to lag far behind that of the general population. Margot Imdieke Cross continues MSCOD’s battle on accessibility issues. She works on code development and technical assistance on emergency planning, disability parking, ADA compliance and accessible housing and transportation.

Kristen Batson, deputy director of management analysis and development, reviewed MSCOD’s current strategic plan. Strategic planning is used to help organize, communicate, and allocate resources.

She presented MSCOD’s mission, statutory mandates and responsibilites, and MSCOD’s services. Ms.Batson led a discussion with council members on how our current strategic goals are meeting these needs.

It was concluded that the goals reflect our mandates and mission. These can be tweaked to fit our changing environment.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Demski