

Michigan Association of Collegiate Career and Employment Services
Board of Directors Meeting
October 4, 2004
Summary of the Minutes

Participants: Bob Thomas, Jack Crusoe, Ginger Lange, James Novak, Padmaja “PJ” Rao, Lavonda Robinette, and Ingrid Kroeger

Call to Order: The meeting of the Board of Directors of Mi-ACCES was called to order by the President, Bob Thomas, at 11:10 a.m. October 4, 2004.

Minutes: Approved.

Budget Report: The current balance is \$7600. There are no outstanding bills. Approximately \$3228 was the cost of the last conference. At least \$6,000 in revenue from the next conference will be required.

Additions to Board: P.J Rao has agreed to serve as Region V representative. Ingrid Kroeger has agreed to serve as Secretary of the Association.

Travel Costs: The Board approved the covering of a board member travel costs to board meetings if the institution cannot cover expenses, and especially if a member has to drive a long distance to get to the meetings. Requests will be submitted to the Treasurer who will submit the request to the President for review and approval.

Annual Conferences, 2005 & 2006: A decision was made to have the 2005 conference in S.E. Michigan in June. P.J. Rao, Region V Representative will chair the 2005 Conference and will look at these and other possible sites: Hotels: Hyatt Regency (Dearborn), Livonia Marriott, and Holiday Inn (Rochester/Auburn Hills area)

The attendance at the 2004 conference was about 50. The goal for 2005 is 75-100 (25-30 rooms).

The Michigan Council for Cooperative Education is interested in partnering with Mi-ACCES for a joint conference in 2006. Their 2006 conference will be held in Grand Rapids, and the 2007 conference in Ann Arbor.

Virtual Job Fair: Kim Tran, technical specialist from Oakland University, gave a brief overview of a virtual job fair (pilot project) which was held at Oakland University: 25 employers and 130-140 students participated.

It was agreed that a virtual job fair be run in early May and sponsored by Mi-ACCES, MCCE, and MCJF. Two and 4 year graduates, cooperative education, and summer interns would be invited to participate in what may be called the Michigan Virtual Collegiate Job Fair. Jim Novak and Jack Crusoe will be the co-chairs for the Virtual Job Fair Committee and Kim Tran will be the Technical Support person.

Mi-ACCES will purchase the necessary additional software for \$1,600 that is required and Oakland University will conduct appropriate testing.. Cost will be covered by a \$50 charge to participating employers. There will be no charge to students.

Virtual Education Fair: Currently a consortium of CMU, EMU, MSU, U of M, & WMU run education job fairs. It was suggested that a Last Chance Michigan Virtual Education Job Fair be run in August of 2005. A meeting with consortium members will be arranged to discuss their interest and support of the concept. The virtual fair would be open to all college/university education graduates.

Regional Activities: The regional representatives were asked to organize at least one reception or drive-in workshop every year. Jim Novak P.J. Rao, Julia Sherlock are current regional representatives. Other prospective representatives are being contacted.

Corporate Membership: The Board agreed that it was desirable to have employer member. This would require revising the organizational by-laws. It was agreed to ask the membership to consider the suggestion and vote on by-laws changes, to include corporate membership, at the Spring 2005 Conference. Corporate dues and conference content will be discussed at future Board meetings. Jack Crusoe will prepare proposed by-laws revisions.

Name Change for MI-ACCES: The Board made the following suggestions to make the name of the organization more understandable and more related to kindred organizations in light of the possibility of adding corporate membership :

MiACE, MACE (Michigan Association of Colleges & Employers)
MOCE (Michigan Organization of Colleges & Employers)
MiNOCE (Michigan Network of Colleges & Employers)

Web Page: Bob Thomas will check with John Frick as to status of the Mi-ACCES Web Page repair. The problems are apparently due to implementation of BANNER programs by the Northern Michigan University. The website address is: MiAcces@otto.acs.nmu.edu. Lavonda Robinette will make necessary changes to the website

E-Newsletter: Bob Thomas would like to eventually send out an electronic newsletter to all Mi-ACCES members.

Board Positions: Current positions end at next year's conference, except Secretary and Treasurer

Archives: Jack Crusoe will attempt to locate the organizational archives and the question of selecting an Archivist will be discussed at a future meeting.

The meeting adjourned by Bob Thomas at 3:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2004 AT OAKLAND UNIVERSITY,
OR AT EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY, IF THE PRESIDENT HAS NOT
RETURNED TO WORK FROM HIS SCHEDULED SURGERY.