

**PSHRA MI CHAPTER
REGULAR MEETING**

April 2, 2026

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A Regular Meeting of the PSHRA MI Chapter was held on April 2, 2026, at 6:00 P.M. via Zoom.

MEMBERS OF THE CHAPTER BOARD PRESENT:

RACHEL MATTI; PRESIDENT
KAITLYN TIMM; DIRECTOR
KAREN BATHANTI; DIRECTOR
HEATHER DERY; DIRECTOR
JARED GAJOS; PRESIDENT ELECT

Not Present

LISA SUIDA; DIRECTOR

1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. President Matti called the meeting to order at 6:05pm.

2. ROLL CALL

- a. All members were present with the exception of Director Suida.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

- a. **Motion:**
 - i. A motion to approve the agenda was made by President Elect Gajos with a support motion by Director Timm.
- b. **Roll Call:**
 - i. A roll call vote was taken on the motion. The motion was carried (5-0).

4. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

- a. **Motion:**
 - i. A motion to approve the minutes was made by President Elect Gajos and supported by Director Dery.

1. BOARD BUSINESS

- a. President Matti led the discussion in re: Monthly Treasurers Report Review. For the month of March, the starting balance was \$8266.86, and the ending balance was \$8313.02. All expenses were associated with monthly service costs.
- b. President Matti led the discussion in re: MCEEA Partnership/Promotion. James had conversation with his board, and they are interested in building a partnership with the PSHRA MI Chapter. Conversation took place in which MCEEA could give our chapter members a free year of membership and our chapter would do the same for their members. Our organizations could cross-promote events on social media, offer workshops and content where we both align, and have conversation regarding branding ideas. MCEEA is hosting a mixer and President Elect Gajos and Director Dery will be in attendance.
- c. Director Timm led the discussion in re: First Newsletter Review. The newsletter was organized and turned out great; Director Dery did a great job. President Elect Gajos will be the individual from our chapter that is spotlighted in the next newsletter edition.
- d. President Matti led the discussion in re: Outreach - DOL Wage and Hour Division, PSHRA Central Advisory Committee. Mildred Kress, Outreach Specialist from DOL Wage and Hour Division, reached out and President Matti and President Elect Gajos are planning to meet with her to discuss resources and possible training/webinars with the DOL. The board discussed providing our members with the opportunity to submit questions leading up to the webinars/training. The board will discuss this possible partnership in future meetings. Allison from PSHRA National wants to schedule time to meet with the board. The board would like this meeting to gain insight on what other PSHRA chapters are doing, how we can better partner with different chapters, and give suggestions on how to fill our two vacant positions on the board.
- e. President Matti led the discussion in re: Guardian Sponsorship. Director Bathanti will reach out to Guardian to see if we can receive a new check from them.
- f. President Matti led the discussion in re: Registration window for events - Can we extend it to include day of? Director Dery updated the settings to allow interested individual to register for a longer window of time.

2. NEW BUSINESS

- a. For future webinars, Director Dery will create intro and outro slideshows for future meetings.
- b. At the board meeting the board will discuss creating user accounts for our sponsors to log into the chapter website.
- c. Director Dery will grant the board administrator access on LinkedIn so that the board can invite our networks to join the page. Each month will be assigned to a different board member to invite their networks.

- d. President Matti and Director Bathanti discussed the possibility of investing in our board members at some point in the future. The board will sit down in a future meeting to discuss ROI's for events and analytics.
- e. The board will plan to schedule a 2027 Strategic and Budget Planning Session.

3. ADJOURNMENT

a. **Motion:**

- i. Motion to adjourn was made by Director Timm and supported by President Elect Gajos.

b. **Voice Vote:**

- i. A voice vote was taken on the motion. All "ayes" recorded. The motion carried (5-0).
- ii. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.