



MABJ Minutes for General Body Meeting – June 20th, 2020

Meeting started at 11:04 a.m. and called to order by President Kelli Cook.

Treasurer's report given by Omer Yusef - \$2,970.13 (total funds)

OLD BUSINESS – Secretary Annette Peagler talked about Reel Critique Sessions she would like to host. The sessions will be 20-30 minutes through zoom. MABJ Board did the event last year and it was successful. Peagler said Richard Ransom, anchor with ABC Local 24 would be willing to help, Montee Lopez, former MABJ President and Jennifer Sharp MABJ Public Relation's Chair would like to be mentors.

July 17th and July 31st were suggestion dates for the sessions. Cook suggested to have it on July 17th so members can have more time to make changes before virtual NABJ.

VP of Print, Elle shared job opportunities which included a sports editor position, MLK 50 Managing Editor which pays \$80,000 and an Education Reporter.

NEW BUSINESS – Richard made the announcement that PRSA would like to team up with MABJ for an event on June 24th at 11:30 a.m. President Cook is on the panel for the event and Richard asked if board members would promote event on their social media pages.

MABJ Scholarship – President Cook wanted us to have an application posted by start of August and a winner selected sometime in September. We discussed requirements for the scholarship.

President's Report – Unity conference is virtual this year. The dates are August 5th - August 9th. Cook gives update from National President on cost of the convention and said she would like to use funds from our account to help a member attend. Group decided \$100 was fair for a prize that would be given out through a raffle at the next MABJ General Body meeting.

Other Business – Jennifer Sharp asked Kelli Cook if we could create a MABJ You Tube page where we post meetings for those who are not able to attend Saturdays.

Meeting adjourned 11:47 a.m.