MNIAI General Membership Meeting
The Inn on Lake Superior, Duluth, MN
September 10, 2026
1924 hours

Members present: Board Chair Jessica Slavik; President Bradley Litke; 1st Vice President Joshua VonHaugg; 2nd Vice President Steven Swenson; 3rd VP Jeremy Alley (abstained from sitting with the Board); Sergeant at Arms Ashley Nacey; Historian Dean Olson; Secretary/Treasurer Jennifer Jaspersen; IAI Division Representative Patrick Warrick and 72 Active and Life Active members of the assembly for a total of 81 people present.

Members absent: Media Editor Patricia Drew has resigned due to health issues.

President Bradley Litke called the meeting to order at 1924 hours. Secretary/Treasurer Jennifer Jaspersen made a motion to forego review of the May 22, 2026 Board of Directors meeting minutes and the current Treasurer's Report. Board Chair Jessica Slavik seconded the motion. The assembly was in favor and the motion carried. These documents were addressed by the Board via email, post-conference, and a motion was made by 1st Vice President Josh VonHaugg to accepted the May 22nd Board Meeting minutes. Sergeant at Arms Ashley Nacey seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Josh made a motion to accept the current Treasurer's Report. Ashley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:
The Net Worth as of 9-10-26 indicates the following:
The balance of the MNIAI checking account is: $23,792.52
The balance of the MNIAI savings account is: $1,337.53
The total Net Worth of the MNIAI checking/savings accounts is: $25,130.05

Post conference wrap-up as of September 25, 2026 once checks clear, all bills have been paid and cash deposit was made:
The balance of the MNIAI checking account is: $19,596.37 (with $600 Secretary/Treasurer stipend paid).
The balance of the MNIAI savings account is: $1,337.53.
The total Net Worth of the MNIAI checking and savings accounts is: $20,933.90

Conference registrations	*$13,891.73*	
IAI DIAC award	*1,000.00*	*– IAI Division Interaction and Affairs Committee*
Merchandise sales	*21.00*	
Sponsor/Vendor registrations	*+ 1,541.22*	
	16,453.95	
Conference costs	*- 12,985.93*	*(food costs, AV and conference room rentals, taxes etc.)*
Difference	*+ 3,468.02*	
Profit from conference:	***$3,468.02***	

Inventory totals-

- *Ash t-shirts 19 at $10 valued* at $190*
- *Pad Folios 6 at $10 valued* at $60*
- *Pins 171 at $7 valued* at $1,197*
- *Travel Mugs 40 at $8 valued* at $320*
- *Pens 55 at $7 valued* at $385*
- *Challenge Coins 40 at $7 valued* at $280*

3 Challenge Coins sold at Conference, 2 given as gifts to hotel staff and 11 given as Presenter gifts.
6 Travel Mugs given as Presenter gifts.
**if sold at full price: Inventory Net Worth is $2,432.*

Old business: Website update. Since the May 22nd Board of Directors meeting, a new option for an upgrade to our website has presented itself. A company called *Articulation* has reached out with an offer. This company is comprised of former long-term Weebly engineers. Weebly is our current web builder. Since the people of *Articulation* know Weebly well, they say they can transition our site seamlessly. They also informed us that Weebly has been poorly supported since Square purchased them and they have closed down their web service in 67 countries. *Articulation* offers a free, automated conversion tool. They also offer the same price structure that we currently have with Weebly; $120.00 annually.

Secretary/Treasurer Jennifer Jaspersen has looked into how our site would look after conversion. It looks cleaner than it does now. There will be a few necessary adjustments. As stated in *Articulation's* message: *Our import tool can bring over all of your content including blog posts, ecommerce items, and files automatically while preserving your search engine rankings. The whole site remains just as editable as it was on Weebly. We've done our best to preserve your design decisions, and we'll help if the style isn't quite what you want.*

Jennifer recommends that we use this company to upgrade our website. She will take the necessary steps to make sure our web pages are converted properly. She has reached out to the Board with a motion to use *Articulation* for the website upgrade and conversion. Ashley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

An action item that originated during the December 4, 2025 Board of Directors meeting carried over from the May 22, 2026 meeting and still needs attention. Each President is to write a "how-to" document on planning a conference. This data will be handed down to each incoming President to help them efficiently plan a successful conference. It is up to the outgoing Presidents and Board Chairs to begin the process of creating this instruction manual.

New business: Brad mentioned that the Division lap top is 10 years old. He moved to purchase a new one. Josh seconded the motion, all were in favor and the motion carried. Jennifer will shop for a new computer within the coming months. This most likely will include upgraded software such as Quicken and Corel Draw, along with a complete Microsoft Office Suit.

Brad informed the assembly that we have no constitutional changes on the agenda since we recently concluded obtaining 501(c)3 status which included a complete overhaul of our By-Laws.

Brad reminded the assembly of an item published in the May 22, 2026 Board of Directors meeting minutes. This is in regards to price increases. As of January 1, 2027, the following prices will be in effect:

- **Annual dues**: $40.00
- **Full Conference**: $275.00
- **Banquet Only**: $75.00
- **Student Full Conference (*no increase*)**: $175.00
- **Student Single Day Only (*no increase*)**: $100.00
- **Single Day Only *with* Banquet**: $200.00
- **Single Day Only *without* Banquet**: $162.50

Brad mentioned that we are modernizing our logo. He asked the assembly to please vote on their favorite so that we would have our new logo before the end of the meeting. Josh informed everyone that 85 votes were cast, thus far. *All votes were cast before meeting end and Josh informed the Assembly that Logo A, Ashley Nacey's submission, won 40.9% of the votes. Since she is a Board*

member, she was ineligible for the prize offered. Therefore, it was raffled off. The winner of the prize is Cameron Conlin, Burnsville PD. He has been given a certificate indicating his next conference registration fee is waived.

Brad informed the assembly of the dispensing of our polo shirts. The inventory was large and not selling so the Board decided to give them all to charity. 2nd Vice President Steve Swenson arranged a pick up by an organization called Orphan Grain Train. They took possession of 234 shirts on June 16, 2026 from Jennifer's home. The net worth of these shirts was $5,850.00. This charitable organization deals specifically with clothing donations and distributions.

Brad moved to accept the new business items above. Jennifer seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Brad and Ashley conducted intermittent prize drawings throughout the meeting.

Elections for the 2026 Board of Directors commenced. Brad asked the Assembly if there were any nominations for President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, 3rd Vice President, Media Editor, IAI Division Representative, Secretary/Treasurer or Historian. Pat Warrick nominated Melissa Loren of the MN BCA for the position of IAI Division Representative, since he is stepping down. Brad moved to accept this nomination. Board Chair Jessica Slavik seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried. Jennifer nominated Lauren Bjerke of the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office for the position of 3rd Vice President, since Jeremy Alley is resigning (*Ashley will skip the 3rd VP position in her ascension through the ranks and will fill the 2nd VP position that Jeremy is vacating*). Brad moved to accept this nomination. Jessica seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Brad asked the Assembly if there were any nominations from the floor for Sergeant at Arms. From the Board of Directors, Jessica nominated Ehren Lentsch, Anoka County Sheriff's Office and Steve nominated Jessica Hunt, MN BCA for this position.

Each nominee spoke briefly to the Assembly about their employment in the criminal justice arena, their interest in joining the Board of Directors and what they hope to bring to the organization as a Board member.

Ballots were distributed among the Board and the Assembly. Votes were submitted for the position of Sergeant at Arms. Ballots were counted by Jessica and Josh and oversight was conducted by Lauren Bjerke. The votes were counted and it was a tie. Discussion was had regarding doing a coin toss to determine the winner. It was then discovered that some non-members had voted. Jessica moved to have a second round of ballots distributed for a new vote. Josh seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried. Before conducting this second vote, the Board reviewed and approved six new members who had submitted their applications before the meeting began (*these new members are listed below*) so that they were eligible to vote. The names and agencies of these applicants were read aloud by Jennifer. Division Representative Patrick Warrick reviewed and approved and the Board of Directors then reviewed these applications. Jennifer made a motion for the Board of Directors to accept the applicants. Jessica seconded the motion. The Assembly agreed and the motion carried.

Round two of voting commenced. Again, the ballots were counted by Jessica and Josh and oversight was conducted by Lauren. Jessica Hunt won the election by one vote and became our 2027 Sergeant at Arms. Jessica Slavik moved to accept all new Board members. Lauren seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried. Welcome to all new Board members!

No nominations were received for the other positions: President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Media Editor or Secretary/Treasurer. Since the Media Editor position is unfulfilled, Jennifer will act as an interim until such time as the position is filled.

Brad asked for a "white ballot" regarding these positions and made a motion to accept the "white ballot." Josh seconded the motion. The Assembly agreed and the motion carried. Brad then moved to have each of the incumbents; President, Vice Presidents and Sergeant at Arms, move up to the positions listed below. Josh seconded the motion. All incumbents present agreed, as did the Assembly, and the motion carried. The list of Officers stands thusly for 2027:

- Board Chair – Bradley Litke
- President – Joshua VonHaugg
- 1st Vice President – Steven Swenson
- 2nd Vice President – Ashley Nacey
- 3rd Vice President – Lauren Bjerke
- Sgt. at Arms – Jessica Hunt
- Media Editor – OPEN
- Historian – Dean Olson
- Secretary/Treasurer – Jennifer Jaspersen
- Division Representative – Melissa Loren

Outgoing President Bradley Litke presented Pat Warrick with an award honoring him for 20 years as the IAI Division Representative for the MNIAI. Enjoy your retirement, Pat, and thank you for your service!

Josh introduced himself as our 2027 President and briefly mentioned that next year's location will likely be in Duluth again. Josh asked everyone to complete the conference survey questions so that confirmation can be made on conference location preferences. Josh asked if anyone had any comments. None were voiced. (*As of this writing, Josh has selected the Inn on Lake Superior and the 2027 conference dates are September 29-October 1*).

Josh included a $25.00 Caribou Coffee gift card prize for attendee survey responses when they included their email address. *(Wilson Hooper, Apple Valley PD won the drawing.)*

Incoming President Josh VonHaugg presented outgoing President Brad Litke with a silver-framed certificate of appreciation for his work as the MNIAI President over the past year. This is the second certificate that Brad has received because of his willingness to return to the Board of Directors as 1st Vice President in 2025 due to that seat being vacated. He received his first certificate as outgoing President in 2022.

New Members: Six new Active Membership Applications were received at this conference. As stated above, these applications were reviewed and accepted by the Board of Directors: Anthony Boverhuis and Joshua Neubert from the Wright County Sheriff's Office; Faith Athmann, Miranda Demo and Wilson Hooper from the Apple Valley Police Department and Kristin Kamerud from the MN BCA.

Josh moved to adjourn the 2026 General Membership Meeting. Jessica Slavik seconded the motion. The Assembly agreed and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 2030 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Jaspersen
Secretary/Treasurer
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