

**Northern Community Mediation  
Board Meeting  
September 7, 2006**

Board members present: Cathy Atchison, Jill Ryan, Keith Williams, John Rohe, and Bill Lovett

Staff present: Jane Millar

Cathy called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

The minutes were not available and will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Treasure's Report was distributed and presented by Keith. It was moved by Cathy and seconded by Steve to accept the report as submitted.

President's Report: Cathy reported that she and Jill met with Jane, Pat and Bert regarding the loss of Kathy Lane's services and informed them that the board gives them their full support. It is recognized there will be a huge learning curve with the absence of Kathy contributions. Cathy recommended that the board have a retreat after the first of the year, and the board agreed.

Funding committee: Jill reported that the committee met to discuss revenue sources. They propose starting a donation program and that there is available a \$5,000 anonymous donation which could then be used to leverage more funds. Keith moved and Bill seconded a motion to start a letter writing campaign to lawyers and court personnel to support this endeavor. It was unanimously approved.

County Funding: Jane stated that Jane Brannon, Charlevoix County Clerk supports a \$30,000 annual contribution. Emmet County has not made a recommendation as yet.

Respectively submitted,

William W. Lovett