

## **Central States Open Meeting at Media Central Conference Summary Notes:**

The conference had 49 total attendees, not including speakers and vendors. We had 4 company vendors, and 4 sponsors. There is an evaluation form going around via email so please fill that out.

Norm Compton, CS-ACM Treasurer sent out a spending report. There is about a \$4,000 profit from the conference. There will be a joint split between partners.

Laura Rose, CS-ACM Board Member, reminds people to visit their local officials and build a relationship with them.

Otto Bershet (*sp*), CS-ACM Board Member & Grass Roots committee chair took donations for the Grass Roots Scholarship. He also is going to double the money raised from donations from his own money. Go Otto! He also shared there is not much activity on membership.

### **State Reports:**

#### Ohio

No report.

#### Indiana

They are happy to announce that South Bend and Anderson Indiana now telecasting (again)! Anderson has been black since 2006.

#### Michigan

The Fall Station Tour will be our next event. Friday, September 25 and it will be a North Eastern Michigan tour. Also, the Michigan Chapter has adopted a new Charter and updated its By-Laws. Beth Mitchell, Secretary would be happy to send those out to people if they want to see how we did them. MI-ACM would also like to officially welcome their interim Vice Chair, Milward Beaudry to the board.

#### Kentucky

No representatives present- no report.

Mike Wasanar (sp) President of the National ACM was present and shared some updates:

There is a National ACM newsletter. Make sure you are on the list. If your organization is already a member, you should be receiving the newsletter so check with your staff.

Also, if you would like to post job opportunities at your organization you can email [info@allcommunity.org](mailto:info@allcommunity.org) to get your openings sent out.

Hometown awards are open for submissions now.

The ACM will be starting up webinars soon. They will be free to members and will cover a variety of topics. The schedule for these should come out in April, 2015.

ACM is also looking to start a mentorship program. This would give young professionals an opportunity to network with other industry professionals to foster leaders in ACM and community media. This program is called Mentor Network and will be coming soon.

If you have any comments or items you think the ACM could improve on let them know.

#### **MI-NATOA**

They have a new website. Deb Guthrie thanked everyone for attending! Thank you to the vendors and the sponsors.