a) Roll Call of Board of Directors:
   i) President: Jim French – Absent
   ii) Vice President: James Woods – Absent
   iii) President-Elect: Ed McMilin – Present
   iv) Past President: Melanie Drerup - Present
   v) SchoolsNext Coordinator: – Steve Turckes – Absent
   vi) Secretary: Rick Dewar - Present
   vii) Treasurer: George Kacan – Absent
   viii) Membership Development Chair; Bob Roop: Absent
   ix) Awards Chair/International Board Representative: Troy Glover - Present
   x) Area 1 Governor (Ontario): Vacant
   xi) Area 2 Governor (Ohio): Holly Mclean- Absent
   xii) Area 3 Governor (Michigan/Indiana): Greg Monberg - Absent
   xiii) Area 4 Governor (Illinois/Wisconsin): Ed McMilin – Aimee Eckmann (incoming)- Present
   xiv) Area 5 Governor (Minnesota/North Dakota/South Dakota): Sarah Guyette -Absent
   xv) Area 6 Governor (Neb./Kansas/Iowa/Missouri): Allan Millbradt – Present
   xvi) Chicagoland Chapter President: Chris Johnson - Absent
   xvii) Quad City Chapter President: Mike Maloney – Absent – Andrew Iverson (incoming) -
   xviii) Kansas City Chapter President: Kyle Gorrell – Absent, Michelle Chavey ((incoming) -
   xix) Michigan Chapter President: Vacant
   xx) Minnesota Chapter President: Chris Gibbs – Absent
   xxi) Ohio Chapter President: Rodwell King – Present – Incoming Holly Mclean -Absent
   xxii) Nebraska/Western Iowa Chapter President -Mark Warneke - Present

b) Acknowledgement of Quorum
   A quorum was not established for this meeting
Meeting was led by Ed McMillian and was informational for the members in attendance. The following items were discussed.

**International Update** (Troy Glover, David Schrader, John Ramsey)

Three Committees have been formed, Membership, Development and Knowledge. Further information will be presented on this groups in other sessions at the conference.

The association is growing. A few years ago, membership was 3400, currently membership is 4700. To better serve the organization, International is launching new management systems.

A4LE has been active in supporting recovery efforts from Hurricanes Harvey and IRMA. The Southern and Southwest regions have established a task force to support these efforts.

**Awards** (Troy Glover)

Next years international conference will be in Chicago, and our regional conference will be combined with International. The Awards committee will be revising the due dates for regional awards to coincide with the International Conference dates.

**MWGL Board Vacancy**

Nominations for the vacated Membership Chair will be sent out. Ed encouraged those in attendance to apply.

**2019 Regional Conference**

A potential location for the regional conference is Omaha. Mark Warneke will pool people in Omaha to gauge interest in organizing the conference.

**Chapters**

Greg Monberg is working to re-establish leadership for the Michigan Chapter.

Mark Warnecke reported good attendance in Kansas City and reports that the Chapter is continuing to gain momentum.

**ALEP**

The ALEP commission is evolving and is increasing in size.

They are working to increase participation in the program. Currently, 203 (7%) people are registered. Short term target is 10% ALEP registered.

There will be a change in the registration and exam process. 100 hours of professional development will be need to be demonstrated as part of the process. An interview and exam along with recommendation letters will be required parts of the process, as well.