

SCAAIDD Executive Committee Meeting

January 25, 2008

In attendance: Ron Lofts, Hester Wannamaker, Terry Schilling, Jay Altman, Jason Tavenner, Grady Evans, Debbie Walsh, Dean Redd, Rufus Britt, III, Sims Lynn, Rick Magner, Renee Staggs.

Mr. Britt called the meeting to order. Ms. Schilling gave the invocation. Mr. Britt informed the committee of the resignation of Past Chair Jim Manning due to changes in his employment and the need to focus on his new responsibilities.

Mr. Tavenner provided the treasurer's report. The organization had a loss in 2007 due to additional expenses (digital camera, conference registration for Chair and Chair elect, insurance increases) and a \$750 write off for non-payment by a conference sponsor from a number of years ago. It was noted that the conference essentially broke even. Current bank balance is \$41,000.

The proposed budget of \$40,200 for the 2008 conference was submitted for approval. Motion to approve was made by Mr. Altman and seconded by Mr. Lofts. Mr. Evans asked to amend the proposed budget to \$41,000. Mr. Altman accepted the amendment to his motion. Amended motion passed.

Committee reports were presented as follows:

- A. Membership – Ms. Schilling reported 69 memberships so far this year. She noted that we are now in the annual renewal period and more memberships are expected. At the end of 2007 there were 132 members.
- B. Education – Ms. Ricke-Kiely was absent. It was noted that the first of the Leadership and Coaching for Middle Managers seminars had been held in the upstate. No report was available on the training at this meeting.
- C. Historian/Website – Ms. Wannamaker reported the website is being updated to include new officers / Executive Committee members, minutes from the 2007 Executive Committee meetings, and minutes of the conference business meeting. She also noted that pictures from the October 2007 conference are on the website.
- D. Constitution and By-Laws – Mr. Britt informed the committee that Dean Redd has agreed to chair this committee.
- E. Newsletter- Mr. Lofts reported on the status of the next newsletter. A draft is ready and will likely go out early in February. It will include the new officers for 2008, information, evaluations, and comments on the 2007 conference, and an article about Mr. Manning's tenure with and resignation from the organization. After some discussion the committee indicated a preference for the newsletter to be printed in color.
- F. Nominations / Awards – This committee would normally be chaired by the Immediate Past Chair. With Mr. Manning's resignation the duties devolve to the previous past chairs (Mr. Evans and Ms. Sims). Mr. Altman was also asked to

- serve on the committee. Mr. Evans noted that all offices will be up for election this year including secretary and treasurer which are both two year terms.
- G. Conference – Ms. Walsh reported that the conference committee had held its first meeting for the 2008 conference. One new member has agreed to serve on the conference committee this year (Amanda Diaczenko). Ms. Schilling shared a wonderful thank you from self-advocate Linda Williams who participated in last year's conference.
 - H. Legislation – No report.
 - I. National AAIDD – No report.

Mr. Lofts asked the committee to consider some training specifically targeted to day services direct support staff. He noted that previous trainings, while useful to day staff, focused primarily on residential settings and situation.

Mr. Britt noted that long time supported Mr. Jamie McKue had passed away. He asked the committee to consider making a donation in Mr. McKue's name. Mr. Magner moved to send this to the awards committee for consideration and development of a proposal regarding how the organization might honor associates like Mr. McKue. Mr. Lofts seconded the motion. Motion passed.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned.

Prepared by
Renee Staggs, Secretary