



SCAAIDD Executive Committee
February 24, 2017
Minutes

The Executive Committee met on Friday, January 24th at 11:15 a.m. at SCDDSN and the following people were present: Thoyd Warren, Crystal Wright, Jay Altman, Laura Cooper-Davis, Lois Park Mole, Debbie Walsh, and Terry Schilling.

Laura called the meeting to order. Nikki was not able to send the minutes from our last meeting so we will approve them next month.

Treasurer's Report: Lois reported that as of January 31, 2017, our bank balance was \$30,949.83.

Committee Reports:

Terry said that she will contact AAIDD for a membership update and give a report at the March meeting. She will also check to make sure all of our officers are members. The basic membership amount is \$85.00; Classic is \$135.00, and Standard is \$185.00.

Jay reported that the website has been updated with a "Save the Date" announcement for our 2017 conference. The National website also has our conference listed.

The conference committee met before this meeting to continue planning for our 2017 conference. It will be held at the Crown Reef at Myrtle Beach October 4th – 6th. At our last meeting we decided that our theme this year would be "Thinking Globally, Acting Locally" and we still need to choose a logo.

Lois reported on Legislative news. The House Ways and Means Committee completed their work on the budget and they have given DDSN \$9,000,000. There is no across the board pay increase, but there is money allocated to increase direct support salaries to \$11.00 per hour. She said we should show our appreciation to Chairman Brian White from Anderson, Subcommittee Chairman Murrell Smith, and members Representatives Bales, Clyburn, and G. Smith. There are several bills to keep an eye on. S180 would place DDSN in the cabinet under the Governor. H3324 concerns family support services and some want parents to be paid as caregivers, which DHHS doesn't allow. H3117 calls for electronic monitoring in day and residential facilities (video cameras). H3120 is aimed at improving quality of care in CRCFs, especially for people with dementia. The average age of people in DDSN funded CRCFs at this time is 50.

New Business:

Deb reported that David Goldmintz contacted her last night and said that LaDwanna Holman would not be able to participate in AAIDD at this time. Deb emailed him back letting him know that LaDwanna is an elected Member-at-Large on the Executive Committee. We discussed this and Deb will make another attempt to let him know about her officer standing and ask that if he is unwilling for her to serve out her term that he meet with her and let her know that she would need to officially resign her position. We are disappointed in this decision because we know LaDwanna wants to serve. It was suggested that Deb give him a phone call after she sends the email.

There was no further business, so the meeting adjourned.

**NEXT MEETING: Friday, March 24th
11:00 a.m.
SCDDSN**

Respectfully Submitted By:

Terry Schilling
(for Nikki Bramlett)