

SCAAIDD

Executive Committee Meeting July 27, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Rufus Britt in the absence of Chair Jim Manning. In attendance were: Rufus Britt III, Terry Schilling, Sims Lynn, Jay Altman, Sherill Holder, Debbie Walsh, Grady Evans, Renee Staggs.

The minutes from the June 22, 2007 meeting were sent by email to members prior to the meeting. Mr. Evans moved to accept the minutes. Mr. Holder seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Britt submitted the balance sheet sent to him by Mr. Tavenner. The committee was to discuss development of a more specific budget. Ms. Schilling moved to table this discussion due to the absence of Mr. Manning (Chair) and Mr. Tavenner (Treasurer). Ms. Staggs seconded. Motion passed.

Ms. Schilling presented the membership committee report. There are currently 112 members. This represents a higher member count than we usually have after the conference (generally our highest member count of the year).

Mr. Britt reported that the webpage has been updated and looks good. The domain name is now AAIDD.

Education Committee – no report.

Legislative Committee – no report.

Direct Support committee – no report.

Newsletter – Mr. Britt informed the committee that Mr. Nikki Grimbball, who had agreed to serve as newsletter committee chair, is no currently able to perform this duty due to special circumstances. Mr. Ron Lofts has agreed to step in as the Editor for the newsletter. Mr. Evans moved that the newsletter not go out until after the conference since separate mailings are already going out for the conference registration, call for award nominations, and officer nominations. Ms. Lynn seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Evans reported that the call for awards / nominations is ready to go out. The following officers / executive committee member positions are up for election this year: Chair Elect and 3 member-at large positions. Nominations are being sought for 4 awards: DSP, self-advocate, student, professional / contributions to the field. It was noted that the committee needs to review the amount of the scholarship / award for student, self-advocate, and DSP awards.

Mr. Britt requested the committee consider providing the expenses associated with attending the conference for the Executive Committee Chair and the Conference

Committee Chair. The time / effort required for these positions is considerable and the persons filling these roles may not have an agency to assist with the associated costs. Even when the agency is willing to sponsor the person's conference fees it is an added burden since the agency is already providing the person's time throughout the year. Ms. Lynn moved that SCAAIDD cover the cost of conference registration and hotel accommodations for the Executive Committee Chair and the Conference Chair. Mr. Evans seconded. Motion passed.

Constitution / By-Laws – no report.

National Events – no report.

As there was no new business the meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be on Friday, August 31, 2007.

Prepared by Renee Staggs, Secretary