

SCAIDD Executive Committee

February 27, 2009

Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Deborah Walsh, Renee Staggs, Terry Schilling, Ron Lofts, Sims Lynn, Nikki Bramlett, David Rotholz, Jason Tavenner, Grady Evans, Jay Altman, and Heather Waddell.

Debbie called the meeting to order. Minutes for the January 23, 2009 meeting previously emailed to the committee members by Heather Waddell, Secretary, were presented for approval. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Terry Schilling and seconded by Renee Staggs. Motion so passed.

Jason Tavenner provided a treasurer's report. (Copy available upon request). Our current budget is slightly under the baseline amount of \$30,000. We spent some money on web design. David had a question about maintaining Liability Insurance for the Board of Directors and for the purpose of having a Hospitality Room at this year's conference. Jason stated that it is up to date and current.

Committee reports were provided as follows:

- A. Membership-Terry reported that the current membership was 72. She stated that some officer's are not members and that we need them all to join. Terry stated that she was going to send letters out in March to recruit new members.
- B. Education-Amanda Diaczenko was not in attendance at today's meeting however; Jay mentioned revisiting this topic in two months, David agreed with Jay however he did state that this is an area that we can generate money on and that he could check to see if he knew of anyone to collaborate with to see if it would be feasible and would look and see what our budget is in two months.
- C. Historian/Website-Hester was not in attendance at the meeting however, she did post the pictures from October's conference on the website.
- D. Direct Support Professional Development-Nikki Bramlett stated that she currently does not think that our summit is feasible at this time due to economic hardships but may explore the topic of having "clusters" with other counties to hold counterpart meetings, will table topic until later.
- E. SCAIDD Newsletter-Ron stated that since the October conference pictures are posted on the SCAIDD website he will place in next newsletter. The next one goes out in March. Renee will send an "Early Call for Papers" to Ron to place in newsletter.
- F. Nominations/Awards-Rufus was not in attendance at today's meeting, no news to report.

- G. Conference Committee-Rick was not in attendance at today's meeting however, Deb stated that there were some changes made to last month's report to include proceeding with having some type of entertainment on the first night of the conference. The dates of October 14th, 15th, and 16th have been secured and that the conference will be held at the Crown Reef Resort in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.
- H. Legislative News-Bill was not in attendance at today's meeting. No report available however, Ron and Jay did give the committee an overview of what is being discussed in the Ways and Means Committee as well as discussion took place regarding the Bill that has been presented regarding the restructuring of DDSN to become a cabinet agency.
- I. AAIDD News/Development-Dr. David Rotholz reported that the national office moved the week of the Presidential Inauguration, moved three blocks, because their lease was up and it was a better space and lower price for the organization. He did state that the Vendor who handles the national membership went bankrupt and there may be slight delays with getting information out. David did mention that in the next ballot to be sure to look for Ron Lofts name, he will be placed on the ballot for membership on the Board of Directors. Ron asked David to give the committee an overview of the SC chapter and how it compares to other Regional Chapters. David did mention what strong support DDSN has shown to the SC AAIDD. He also mentioned that the National Conference will be held in New Orleans in June of this year and that there will be less panel presentations and more interactive sessions.

New business-Ron led a discussion on the Supports Intensity Scale. He would like for DDSN to reconsider all of the different assessments that Residential, Day, and Service Coordination use and roll it into one solid assessment. Jay stated that he would be in agreement to move ahead with posing this question to DDSN.

Grady wanted to make sure that our chapter of AAIDD acknowledged all of the leadership that our State Director, Stan Butkus, has provided and thank him for his active participation in attending conferences and all of the support that he has shown towards our organization. Dr. Butkus' submitted his resignation and his last official day in the office at DDSN is today.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, March 27th at 11:00am. There being no other business, motion to adjourn was made by Terry Schilling and seconded by Grady Evans. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned.

Prepared by:

Heather G. Waddell, Secretary