SCAIDDD Executive Committee
January 27, 2012
Minutes

The Executive Committee met on Friday, January 27th at 11:00 at SCDDSN and the following people were present: Jay Altman, John Hitchman, Nikki Bramlett, Ron Lofts, Lois Park Mole, Kevin Wright, and Terry Schilling.

Nikki welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

Treasurer’s Report: Lois distributed the treasurer’s report and reported that as of 12/31/2011 we had a balance $32,189.77. We went over the budget and Kevin made a motion to accept the budget, Jay seconded the motion, and it passed. We also reviewed the conference budget and the net income from the conference was $2,180.30.

Old Business:

A. 990 – Lois said that the 990 had been submitted, but that she had received a letter stating that they were reviewing it and that we would receive a decision as to whether or not it has been accepted in 30 days.

B. 501(c)(3) - Lois said that the application requires budget figures for the past five (5) years and she has not been able to find everything she needs. She is still working on it. Once she has been able to complete the budget portion, Terry will make any changes necessary in the 501(c)(3) application and submit it.

New Business:

Nikki said that she has reviewed the strategic plan we put together last year and we will discuss it in more detail at our next meeting. She does hope that we can plan some one day training events in different parts of the state during this year.

Committee Reports:

A. Membership – Terry reported that we have 70 members at this time. It is going to be more difficult to determine how we are doing as compared to last year because the National Association is now varying expiration dates as opposed to having all dates expire December 31st each year. So, if someone joins in March, their expiration date will be the following March. People will definitely have to keep up with their
expiration dates. She will check to make sure all officers and conference committee members are current.

B. Education – John reported that there is nothing new at this time, but they would like to get something scheduled in April or May.

C. Historian/Website/Newsletter – Ron said that he would like to get out quarterly newsletters and that he would try to get one out in March. We talked about the website and want to make sure the sponsors from last year’s conference are kept on the site until the next conference. We also want the award winners listed. Ron said that he would follow up with our website contact.

D. Direct Support Professional Development – Kevin said that supervisory training is needed and that direct support staff still want a statewide group. We did discuss ways we could assist them with getting one started, but they would have to do the work to sustain it. They might be able to have conference calls since it would be difficult for them to meet much during the year. We could offer a secondary membership fee of $5.00. This would give them a discount on the conference and they would receive the quarterly newsletter. They would not be members of the national organization unless they paid the regular fee. We thought it would be good to try to get the Human Service Providers to “bless” this concept in order for it to work. Kevin said that some of the people from Mentor thought that staff should try to look more professional in how they dressed. They would also like some leadership training and professional development.

E. Nominations/Awards – Renee Staggs is the designated person charge of this, but John also asked Rufus if he would help.

F. Conference Committee – John said that the committee met earlier that morning and that plans were moving along for the fall conference. He did say that one of the sponsors asked for a list of attendees, but he had not given it to him. We suggested that the sponsors have a sign-in sheet at their exhibits if they want names of people at the conference. Everyone would not sign-in, but a lot would.

G. Legislative News – Lois stated that the budget presentation went very well and she reviewed what SCDDSN was requesting, particularly page two of the handout. She said that the Ways and Means should finish their work by the end of February and we would have a much better idea of what to expect for the next fiscal year. If the budget the Ways and Means committee puts out looks good for SCDDSN, she thought going back to the beach would be a possibility, but if it wasn’t particularly good that we might want to do the conference in Columbia for another year.
H. AAIDD News/Development – The National conference is in Charlotte this year which might enable more people to go.

There was no further business, so Jay made a motion to adjourn, John seconded the motion, and it passed.

**NEXT MEETING:**  February 24th at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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