

**St. Paul Area Senior Workers Association Board Meeting Minutes  
February 7, 2013**

Attendance: Jeff Wigren, Becky Wilken, Jennifer Morgan, Thom Johnson, Lynn Cibuzar, Christine Maxwell, Kari Kearns, Eunice Neubauer, Patrice Stedman, Deb Nygaard, Angela Regan, Mary Celski, Mike Lorenz, Erika Toftness-Kelly

**Secretary's Report**

Minutes were accepted from January's meeting. Eunice thanked Christine M. for taking them in her absence.

**Treasurer's Report**

Lynn/Jenny reported \$18,354.77 in treasury. Expenses paid in December were web hosting and Constant Contact. Tomorrow Christine and Jenny are going to the bank.

**Program Committee**

Patrice shared that Summit Hill off of White Bear and 94 is the site for this month's program on hoarding. Next month we are at Shores of Lake Phelan and the topic is Brain Injury and Strokes. Christine M reported that Mpls will be going to a constant site for meetings. We discussed and although there are advantages, there is value in social workers going to different facilities too. Christine asked the board how we felt the joint meeting with the Memory Care Professionals in January. Discussion was that it was positive as there is a benefit of meeting with meet new people.

**Membership Committee**

Angela reported that not many signed up last month. One of the issues is although the Ipad has wireless the facilities don't always provide internet. Working with Lynn on getting database set up.

**Spring Conference Committee**

Kari announced that things are progressing well. She thinks all vendor spots are sold. Online registration is supposed to start March 4. The title is A New Approach to Treatment and Providing Exceptional Care. Dr. Leah Hanson Ph.D. and Dr. Terry Barclay, Ph.D. are presenters. Kari asked for folks to share the "save the date" flyer which she handed out.

**Fall Conference Committee**

Jeff Wigren has agreed to take the Co-Chair in training for the Fall Conference. Becky reported that we still need a Vendor Chair and discussed possible candidates. Oct. 24 is the Fall Aging Conference. The committee is starting to meet and will meet next week on the 19<sup>th</sup>. We lost some people such as Linda Debner and Cathy Clairmont. Suggestion was to make an announcement on needing Vendor Chair at next Tuesday's meeting.

**Public Policy Committee**

Mark Anderson wasn't here to report. He was at the public policy meeting however. Christine and Eunice have not been able to e-mail him as his e-mail has bounced.

### **Historian Report**

Erika Toftnes-Kelly has the history.

### **Website Committee**

Christine asked for vote on logo for the website as we had agreed to spend some money to refresh it. There is a prototype of the website and things are moving along. Hope to have completed by month end.

### **Community Liaison Committee**

Christine reported that Beth from MASWA is asking what the intent of our committee is as well as expectations of coordination. Thom suggested he and Deb provide a mission statement and hope they will want to work alongside us. One goal is to be at education fairs. They wondered if there was a registration fee associated with that. Motion made to give Community Liaison Committee a standing balance of \$200 in case they need some money. They plan to develop a list of organizations and then to mail a letter of introduction to them. Our goal is also to broaden our base with diverse cultures. MA has a service called Community Health Worker reimbursed by MA and associated with a clinic for outreach to culturally diverse communities. There is also a Community Health Care alliance which Thom wants to research and see what they can learn by spring. Because Thom has more ties with the Hmong community he is going to start with that. Hmong American Partnership is a group they can reach out to. Deb asked for contacts at schools/universities. They plan to be at education fairs more than job fairs.

### **Communication:**

Josh and Lynn met last week on Constant Contact. We had quite a few lists and got charged for multiple folks. Now we have 270 on the list. Angela sends Excel and if there is updated e-mails it seems to go back to an old e-mail address therefore folks weren't getting it. Still working to understand constant contact.

### **Website:**

Josh was not present to report on the website. The hope is it will completed by end of the month. Those present discussed and voted on the updated logo. Christine will e-mail those not here to get their input. We agreed we need to have a logo by Feb. 15 in order to have the logo on our Spring Conference materials.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eunice Neubauer

**Next board meeting:**  
March 7th 4, 8:30 a.m.  
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