

NORTH DAKOTA FAMILY BASED SERVICES ASSOCIATION BOARD MINUTES

August 15th, 2008

The Pizza Ranch, Carrington, ND

Present:, Christine Stiven, Jeanne Lemay, Celeste Carlson, Larry Dauksavage, Jim Martini, Tony Kozojed,.

Absent: Kathleen Neideffer, Michelle Aamold, Nancy Germain, Janna Tellman, Kathy Watson, Sara Olson.

Christine Stiven called the meeting to order.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from the previous meeting were read and reviewed. Jeanne made a motion to approve minutes, 2nd by Celeste. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Jeanne presented and explained the proposed budget. Jim made a motion to approve proposed budget, 2nd by Tony. Tony also made a motion to approve financials, 2nd by Jim.

Old Business: Sharlene Burly has finished 2006 – 2007 audit of the books.

The cost to update the website is \$450.00. The idea of having board member's on the website was discussed.

The thought of holding the conference in a new location was considered. Breakdown of demographics was discussed and conference will remain in Fargo at this point.

Christine brought up the idea of using credit cards or a paypal type account for on-line registration. Christine will look into this and bring more information to the next meeting.

Tony made a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Celeste.

Conference:

Janna, Jim, and Tony will tri-chair the conference this year.

Tony discussed his plan for creating the conference schedule. Tony suggested everyone bring ideas for a particular speaker and consider motivational speakers and/or pre-conference speakers.

Speaker ideas: Family preservation, testifying, preparing for court, how to provide services to families, grandparents raising grandkids, keeping kids in the home, gender specific topics, autism, relatives raising kids, generation gaps in the workplace.

CEU's: Discussion was had regarding needing preapproval and the need to have increments on the ½ hour.

Printing: Janna will manage the printing.

Web-site: Kristin Higgins will manage/update the web-site.

Food: Angie will not be available to manage the food for the conference. Celeste will talk with Angie and manage this. Celeste also volunteered to organize/tabulate surveys.

Audio Visual: Tony discussed the cost/benefit of having the committee buy projectors, laptops, microphones, etc. Tony will look into this further and present his findings to the committee. Tony will also bring the conference committee pens to the next meeting to hand out for distribution.

Tony brought up possibilities for consideration, including identifying a business that would donate something big to give away, such as a bike or zoo membership. Tony also brought up the idea of having a string quartet play during the lunch of our annual meeting.

Jim volunteered to again send out the letter to local businesses requesting donations. The cost of office supplies and postage is about \$100.00 to do this.

Christine asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tony made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jim. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Dauksavage