



VCPEA
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MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
March 9, 2016

Present: Lisa Furr, Joyce Martin, David Hominik, Susan Umidi, Karen Browder, Courtney O'Hara, Julius Williamson, Chris Stone, Kathy Pryor, Michele Sorenson, , Carey Raleigh, Sandra Gentry, Michele Leith

Absent: Melissa Harper, Gwen Ingram, Joyce Walsh, Rachel Hammer,, Beth Ann Lawson, Bridgette Roseman

1. Welcome and Introductions

Lisa called the meeting to order.

2. Review of Minutes

Minutes of the January 13, 2016 Board meeting were reviewed and approved with one correction. Courtney was present at the meeting, not by conference call. Julius moved and Courtney seconded.

3. Treasurer's Report – Total account balances as of February 29, 2016 were \$80,549.36 including checking (\$14,938.03), savings (\$12,036.20), and investments (\$53575.13). The full Treasurer's Report was emailed to Board prior to meeting. Report was approved.

4. Finance – Investments appear to be increasing after a slump in the stock market over the past few months. VCPEA paid \$688.00 to Atkinson Insurance Company for our liability insurance. The rate and coverage remained the same as last year.

5. Awareness

A. Governor's Conference on Aging will be held in Richmond May 2-3, 2016. Lisa and Gwen have worked on getting a display for VCPEA professionally made for our VCPEA table. They will also order other materials that can be given away at this conference and other VCPEA events. Karen will represent VCPEA at the Governor's Conference. For Adult Prevention Month (May) VCPEA will order pens with flashlights and jar grippers for local DSS agencies to give to their staff.

Conference Committee

a) Scholarships

Lisa spoke with Ed Ansello about the Geriatric Training and Education (GTE) grant that the Board previously decided not to accept. There was a miscommunication with the Virginia Center on Aging (VCoA). The GTE grant was intended to partially fund VCPEA's request not to require that VCPEA match the funding. VCPEA is very appreciative of the VCoA's interest and support of the organization over the past number of years. Lisa will speak with Ed Ansello about VCoA being a sponsor for our conference.

b) VCPEA will fund its own scholarships up to \$10,000 if other sponsors are not available. Karen will send out the application this week.

c) Joyce Walsh is checking with Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund (CICF) regarding their agency sponsoring scholarships.

d) Conference registration will increase to \$150 for VCPEA members.

e) Michele S. will contact some of the restaurants in the VA Beach area to see if they would be willing to make \$50 gift certificates available for a random drawing at the end of the conference. If so, sample menus will be made available at the registration table.

f) Sponsorships

1) Four sponsors have been confirmed totaling \$2,000. Three friend level sponsors have also been confirmed.

6. **TAPAS Grants** – No new requests have been received. In future meeting, Board needs to discuss whether TAPAS Grants should only be open to VCPEA members.

7. Social Media—

a. Chris will upload some photos from the 2015 Annual Conference to Facebook. In May she will try to have a daily quote dealing with elder abuse prevention. Joan Thomas, who used to be a professional photographer and Joyce M's sister, will take photos at this year's conference.

b. Chris will also post conference information on Facebook

8. **Advocacy and Outreach** – Kathy reported on some of the General Assembly bills that are of particular interest for elder abuse prevention.

a. Guardians cannot unreasonably limit visits to incapacitated person.

b. Financial exploitation has to be referred to law enforcement when over \$50,000.

c. Dept. of Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DARS) has been instructed to form a workgroup to increase reporting of financial exploitation and working with financial institutions and seniors.

9. Nominating Committee

- a. Julius, Kathy and Lisa have decided to resign from the Board at the end of their terms. Courtney will become secretary, Joyce Martin will officially be Treasurer, and Susan will become President July 1, 2016. Rachel will continue on the Board.
- b. Board needs to look at strategic planning before nominating new members to the Board.

10. Membership

- a. VCPEA needs to see where it stands with Melissa drafting form letters (welcome, annual membership dues, (for individual members and if organizational, then names of people in the organization), scholarship recipients, and membership certificates. These will be emailed to membership.

11. Other business

September 14 will be held at Workforce Wilson Rehabilitation Center (WWRC) in Fishersville 10-12:15. Conference calling will be available. The January meeting will be by conference call to avoid travel difficulties with inclement weather.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:30

NEXT MEETING:

Next meeting will be July 13, 2016, 10-12:15 at the Central Regional Office, 1604 Santa Rosa Road, Richmond. Conference calling will be available.

September 14, 2016 Board meeting will be in Fishersville at Wilson Workforce and Rehab Center from 10-12:30. Details about location and conference calling will be sent to Board prior to meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Martin, Secretary

FUTURE MEETINGS:

Wed., July 13, 2016 –Richmond

Wed., Sept. 14, 2016 – Wilson Workforce Rehab Center, Fishersville

Wed., Nov 9, 2016 - TBD