

June 14, 2011

Education meeting and Board meeting

Present:

Cindy Dikmen
Pam DeWitt-Mesa
Ellen Johnson
Linda Walther
Sharon Vonachen
Barb Kern-Pieh
Amy Lagenfeld
Paula Johns

Not present:

Kassandra Moore on a mission trip to Honduras
Kathryn Carver and Christina Delgado were both working
Karine Zakroczymski, grandchild ballgame

Treasurer's report:

\$6,285 in the bank

Agenda:

1. Grand Rapids Education event: October 1, 2011
 - Hotel in Grand Rapids has meeting room, ability to provide meals, small fee to use meeting rooms
 - Event will be around 6 hours long
 - Linda will get it on the web site ASAP so people can plan to attend
 - Indian Health Board to presentation on Native issues and sexual assault, may have grant money for people to speak, cross over topic for advocacy as well as SANEs
 - PAVSA offered to send a speaker re: DFSA, will need to reimburse speaker, will also draw SANEs from Duluth
 - Pelvic exams "as a healing tool" Amy and Barb to work on presentation
 - Sara Gonsalves offered to help advertise with advocates and suggested contacting Planned Parenthood nurses as well in Duluth and Bemidji (Sara sent contact info to Linda)
 - Ellen asked about reimbursement for speakers, mileage and Hotel?
 - Fee for event ~ \$40 for meal, snacks, 6 CEUs
 - Need ~ 2 more hours of topics: ideas included photography (Linda?), documentation (Paula?), Mandatory reporting and consent would be good for both SANEs and advocacy, testifying?
- *Information from Leah: Sawmill Inn stated we would be able to get two meeting rooms for \$200. They would also charge the corporate rate for the nurses staying there, \$69 per night for Friday or Saturday (depending on when which night they decided to stay). They would also give us a \$5 credit for each room that is booked. So let's say there's 10 rooms booked through the training, we get \$50 dollars off the meeting rooms. We can also include light breakfast items for an additional cost, (for juice, coffee, tea, muffins, and danish, it would be \$4 per person) There's also a restaurant where people could go for lunch, afternoon snack would be \$4-6 per person.*

2. Sara Gonsalves presented information on the new MNCASA Expert Testimony (ET) grant:
 - MN IAFN signed MOU with MNCASA with no financial commitment
 - Grant runs for 2 years, grant in progress already for 6 months
 - Grant is focused on enhancing the ability to testify, bridging prosecutors and SANES
 - MNCASA will need help crafting five, two day trainings. The trainings will take place in 5 locations in Minnesota, 2 in the Twin Cities and 3 in Greater Minnesota. Hamline University mock courtroom will be used for the metro trainings.
 - Ideas for sessions included:
 - SANES charting, photography, testifying skills incorporate DVD Practicum, BCA, Dr Bilden and toxicology, Criminal Justice 101, joint interviews and how it takes away from SANE medical exemption to hearsay ruling
 - Prosecutors: effective pre-trial motions, anatomy for prosecutors, understanding injury and lack of injury in SA cases, Use of DNA in consent defense jury still wants to know what happens to the “kit”, “Charge or not to Charge” could be legal CE for Ethics (always in demand)
 - Combined: mock trial, work with SANE and prosecutor 1on 1, subpoenas for mock trial?,
 - Another objective of the grant is to influence curriculum in Law Schools, potentially having Law students as jurors?
 - MN IAFN will have 2 representatives on the planning committee; Amy, Paula and Ellen volunteered, Sara will write up time commitment then the chapter will pick 2 to represent the MN IAFN Chapter.
3. September Education:
 - September 13, 2011 6-8 p.m.
 - Megan, Victim/survivor of sexual assault and advocacy to speak to group
 - We will invite advocacy agencies: SVC, SOS, MNCASA and advocates for SAFE (Linda will invite them once location is settled)
 - Cindy will try to book a room at Abbott Northwestern for event, free parking when you buy a meal at Midtown Market??
4. In May we discussed having a picnic, will plan that for another time, ? social get together at a restaurant on July 19th, everyone to email Linda an idea of a place to meet, preferably somewhere in the south west metro.
5. Membership coordinator proposed by Linda, someone to keep track of members, dues, new members. Welcoming new members etc. needs computer skills to accomplish this task.