SMANN Board Meeting Minutes

Sept. 26, 2017

Present Joyce, Lynette, Joan, Darla, Chris, Vickie, Samantha, Marie, Kim, Irene, Ami

Welcome at 6:31 Welcome to new East side board members Robin as Co-Treasurer, Kim as Communications Co-Chair, and Ami as Pres-Elect.

Reviewed Agenda

Minutes from August Board meeting reviewed and accepted.

Education: We had 23 -25 people attend the business dinner on the West side. East side had 19. Education chairs need to send a summary to Linda to include in the minutes for the next board meeting.

Holiday Dinner will be Nov 15 and 28. Two $25 gift cards will be given at each meeting. Marie will do prizes for East side. Will ask Linda to get gift cards. Holiday West has registrations filling up. The flyer is out.

Conference 2018: Will be March 12 and 13, Monday and Tuesday at Bavarian Inn in Frankenmuth. Mead Johnson will sponsor dinner Monday evening. Topics discussed: human trafficking, neurodevelopment, cue based feeding, small baby unit, genetics, Zika, ethics, palliative care. Joyce can do an environmental talk. Osteogenesis imperfecta parent perspective panel discussion was also discussed. Who will be the contact for Bavarian Inn, maybe Robin? Joyce will contact the vendors. Vendors received an email stating the date for the conference.

NANN Conference: Marie, Irene, Vickie, Marilyn, Nancy and Linda will be attending. Vickie is going to the chapter luncheon. Linda and Marie are working on the chapter booth. Discussed plans for next year, possibly just a poster, and a few items on the table. Next year’s conference will be in Anaheim Oct 17 -20.

Scholarship: Joyce hasn’t done any work on the scholarship for this year. Someone needs to take the project over. Will do it in the winter. Plan is to send application to the different 4 year programs. The president changes the date. Joyce to send the template to Lynette and Ami. Present at the Jan. dinner. Suggestion made for 2 scholarships for each side: $500.

Fund Raising: Next trivia event will be on Oct 29 at George Murphy’s from 2:30 – 4:30. Will sell 50/50 tickets. Will post it on Facebook. Need 50 people to make it a go. Bring family and friends. 2018 events: Jan. events? White caps 50/50. Is there any interest in a bowling fundraiser?

Membership- We had 187 members as of Aug.. Have been emailing membership cards. Lynette has a big bag of t-shirts. Suggestion made to give first time members at conference a t-shirt, or anyone who joined since the last conference. Once a year, put a star by their name on the registration list and they get a shirt at the conference.

Community projects: Collected school supplies at the Sept. dinner. Items to go to Palmer Prep Academy on the East side. Will collect toys and other Christmas items at the holiday dinner. Suggestion made to give Sue Monica a volunteer award. She donated both Garage Sale items and backpacks. Will get her a gift card, Marie to make a certificate. The West side collected school supplies. Will find out where it will be donated. Erin and Jett will decide where to send collected items.

Communications: Kim has examples of flyers. Not all info on the website is up to date. We had updated the amount of the Gratuity to $500. Move newsletter to twice a year: in the spring after the conference and before the Holiday dinner. To include letter from President. Would like a link to Facebook site from website.

Treasurer- Joyce is working with Vickie and Robin. The work will be divided. Send expense forms to Vickie, she will balance the checkbook. Robin will do the reports. Work with Quicken. Joyce prints the expense forms.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42.

Contact info

Amrita Joseph, President-Elect, amritaj1182@yahoo.com

Lynette Johnson, Co-President: lynette.johnson@helendevoschildrens.org

Joyce Stein, Past President:  jazstein@me.com

Linda Reid, Secretary: reidlm@trinity-health.org or lreid1615@hotmail.com

Vickie Westing, Co-Treasurer (Westside): vlwest@hotmail.com

Robin Keeney, Co-Treasurer (Eastside): rkeeney0929@sbcglobal.net

Darla Eikelboom, Co-Education Chair (Westside): darlarnc@gmail.com 231-414-3212

Jane Fannon, Co-Education Chair (Westside): jane.fannon@helendevoschildrens.org 616-498-1514

Sarah Poley, Co-Education Chair (Eastside): spoley@umich.edu 734-368-6017

Joan Berry, Co-Membership Chair (Eastside): berryj@med.umich.edu

Samantha (Papak) Scheeringa, Co-Membership Chair (Westside): KSP1630@aol.com 847-513-3882

Marie Thomson, Co-Fundraising Chair, (Eastside): dthom92912@aol.com 313-683-0895

Heather (Hashman) Norman, Co-Fundraising Chair (Westside): hmhashman9@gmail.com 248-515-5826

Irene Watts, Co-Community Projects (Eastside): nirenewatts9@hotmail.com

Janette Benson, Co-Community Projects (Westside): Janette.Benson@mercyhealth.com

Erin Coallier, Co-Community Projects (Westside): erin.vanoordt@gmail.com 616-890-8747

Kim Shaffer, Co-Communications Chair (Eastside): kishaffe@umich.edu

Ashley Burnham, Co-Communications Chair (Westside): burnham.ash@gmail.com

Chris Adams, Historian: cadams14@hfhs.org 313-919-0193

Jane Koole, Advocacy Chair: JEKVW222@comcast.net 616-340-6418