

NHSLHA Meeting Minutes for 10/11/16

Members present: Anne Doyle, Bridget Powers, Gina England, Erin Fortier, Lisa Minahan, Bernadette Quinn, Melissa Mercer, Vicki Chesterley, Jen Klingensmith, Mary Carbonneau, Jon Clancy, Sophie Merrill

Call to order: Anne called the meeting to order.

Review of minutes: minutes from September meeting were accepted with corrections, following a motion by Vicki and seconded by Bernadette.

Officers Reports:

Jon reported the treasury has 7145.54 plus some recent revenue from CEU programs and notes that we still owe Blaisdell and Demers 2000. Jon provided forms for check requests that members are directed to use when requesting reimbursement.

Vicki reports the following re: Legislative:

The Allied Health Governing Board of Speech Pathologists would like NHSLHA to send the following information to the membership and post on the website.

1. NH has adopted a Code of Ethics based on the latest ASHA Code of Ethics.

This is available at <https://www.nh.gov/alliedhealth/documents/SLP-SLACodeofEthics.pdf>.

If ethical questions arise, please refer parents, administrators or colleagues to this document. Questions about interpretation should be directed to the office of the Governing Board of Speech-Language Pathology. Contact information is available at <https://www.nh.gov/alliedhealth/contactus.htm>.

2. The regular monthly meetings of the Governing Board of Speech-Language Pathology are open to the public. Anyone can attend and observe these meetings. There are occasional closed sessions and these will be announced in advance.

3. Speech-language pathologists, speech-language assistants and members of the public who have questions or concerns are encouraged to ask to be placed on an upcoming meeting agenda in order for their questions or concerns to be discussed.

Old Business:

- Anne confirmed the Medicaid to the Schools In-service for October 27, from 3-5, at Pease Public Library in Plymouth. Erin will make certificates of attendance and Gina reminded the group (and suggests that attendees should be reminded as well) that even though this event is not offered for ASHA CEUs, hours count as maintenance hours for license renewal.

Conference planning:

- Gina provided an overview of her work toward finding a venue, several options explored in Concord/Manchester area including Grappone Center, Center of NH, Shriners Temple Pembroke, Granite State College, Centennial Concord, Manchester Airport Holiday Inn, Courtyard Manchester Boston Regional Airport, Springhill Suites, Executive Conference Center Marriot, NHTI
- Consensus was to stick with March 9/10 dates
- Erin will begin publicizing with dates, speakers, topics
- Melissa already put a “save the date” notice in the newsletter
- Melissa will get speaker agreements to Katherine and Lauren
- Pricing was discussed and there was general agreement that too many price options can be confusing. It was agreed that there should be a discount for members and that students should have free registration, but pay for lunch. Memberships will be sold at the conference.
- A list of possible vendors was generated including: MassTexts Imaging, Boothby and Erin has a list of past vendors to share with Kerri and Melissa. Pricing for vendors was briefly discussed and Erin will reference what has been charged in the past. No charge to MassTexts as they are waiving their speaker fee.

Other business:

- Bridget initiated thanks to Gina for her hard work on conference planning
- Make sure to mention at regional meet-ups that we are still in need of a VP for Public Relations/Social Media
- Gina made a suggestion to include a “frequently asked questions” section to newsletter and website
- Vicki will check with Teri Plant, Preschool SLP, to see if she would accept colleague recognition as previously discussed.
- Melissa reported on t-shirts: logo has been created and needs to be digitized. It would be ideal to have products available for sale at the conference. Products suggested included; mugs, magnets, water bottles, shirts, post it notes, flashlights, emery boards
- Annie commended the group on all its accomplishments in the recent past

Next meeting: Monday, 11/7/16 at 6pm (scheduled to avoid election evening)

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Powers