

Arkansas Council for Exceptional Children

Board of Directors' Meeting

November 11, 2008, Hot Springs Convention Center, 2:00 p.m.

Members Present

Chris Foley, President

Jenny Barber, Treasurer

Jon Rainbolt, Convention Planner, Rep. to Rep. Assembly

Jill LaRosa, Vice President

RoseMerry Kirkpatrick, Historian

Martha Burks, CAN Representative

Lisa Herrington, SCEC Advisor

Courtney Williams, Awards Chair

Kathleen Atkins, President Elect, Conference Chair

Amber Quillman, AR-SCEC President

Ron Love, Rep. to Rep. Assembly

DeeDee Cain, Scholarship Chair

Tasha Palmer, CCBD President

Patty Kohler, Secretary

Jill Simpson, Past President

Barbara Gartin, Communications Chair

Paul Johnston, DCDT President

Kathy Stafford, DEC Representative

Vickie Johnston

I Call to Order and Establish Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m. by President Foley. A quorum was established. Introductions were made by all attendees.

II Minutes of Previous Meeting (September 18, 2008)

Jill Simpson moved and Laura Bunch seconded that we accept minutes. Passed unanimously.

II Old Business

Review Schedule of Board Meetings: The next meeting will be February 12, 2009 in Russellville. Chris has checked with WinRock about meeting there. Decision has not been made. Jon Rainbolt asked that meeting be rescheduled for February 19 (Thursday) as a result of conflicts with Legislative session and the meeting was changed.

Policy Manual Update: Jenny is prepared to discuss this, but this was postponed until the February meeting.

III New Business

Committee Appointments: Laura will resend committee members to Foley.

Consider Topical Conference: DEC is the only group planning a spring conference.

Consider Additional New Business Items Brought Forth by Board Members: No other items were brought forth at this time.

National Conference: Foley asked who was planning to go to the National Conference through CEC. Elected officers typically attend. Conference is the first week in April in Seattle. Early-bird registration is due before January 12, 2009. Martha, Lisa, Courtney, Kathleen, Chris, and Jenny are planning to go through CEC. Jon and Ron attend as Rep to Rep Assembly. SCEC President is also planning to go to the conference. Attendees will receive a flat rate, \$ 2200.

V Officer Reports

Treasurer's Report: Expenditure Report was passed out, along with Amended Budget and Corrected Vendor Report by Treasurer Barber. Balances reflect end of October. Taxes are due November 15, 2008. These have been mailed. CEC still qualifies as a non-profit organization. Martha moved and Courtney seconded approval of the treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Other Officer Reports Followed by Appointed Officer Reports: Jill Simpson, Past President, passed out Nomination Form, 2009. She also reported on Exhibit Hall, 2008. This is reflected in attached report filed by Past President Simpson. Scholarship winners Robin Crego and William Brown have paid for registration. This will be refunded. Scholarship policy updates have been completed, but have not been passed out yet. Tasha Palmer, CCBD, made report on CCBD. First meeting will be held November

13, 2008. Amber Quillman, SCEC announced that SCEC was collecting items for the silent auction. SCEC will elect new officers and conduct a make-and-take.

No other Officer Reports were made.

VI Conference 2008: Conference Committee Report

Registration starts at 8:00 tomorrow morning for DEC and DCDT. LaVoie registration starts at 11:15. Lunch tickets were passed to subdivisions. Someone will collect lunch tickets at the door. Lunch tickets were passed out to Board of Directors. Thirty-six are registered for preconference but not conference. Everyone gets a bag. Problems and on-site registrations will be sent to Jenny and Leslie Rush. Need to talk up Exhibitors' Social. On Thursday, Laura will take care of registration. She asked for additional assistance. Will emphasize getting people registered quickly so that no one will be standing around. On Thursday, keynote starts at 9:00. Chris will welcome everyone. RoseMerry will introduce Pokey (speaker). At head table, these individuals: Jill LaRosa, Jill Simpson, Jenny, Chris, Lisa, Courtney, Marcia Harding, Kathleen, Patty will be seated. At Past Presidents' Social, past presidents will not speak. Impact Education is taking care of all the food and drinks for the Presidents' Social. Adam Hall will be introduced by Patty Kohler. Chris and Jill Simpson thanked Kathleen for her work. DeeDee thanked Jill Simpson for her work with the exhibitors. Board needs to help stuff bags after the Board meeting.

VII Dinner for the Board

JBHM is giving a check for \$500.00 for dinner tonight. Dinner is between 5:30 and 6:30. John Pruitt now works with JBHM.

VIII Adjourn

Jill Simpson moved and Martha Burks seconded that the meeting adjourn at 2:55. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Kohler, Board Secretary