

Arkansas Council for Exceptional Children

Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 8, 2011

Attendees:

DeeDee Cain, President

Jon Rainbolt, Conference Planner, President Elect

Paula Wood, Vice President

Laura Bunch, Membership Chair

Jill LaRosa, Treasurer and Past President

Patty Kohler, Secretary

Kathleen Atkins, Appointed Representative to the Rep Assembly

Courtney Williams, Elected Representative to the Rep Assembly

Leslie Rush, Student CEC Advisor

Rene Crow, Awards Chair, CCBBD Representative

Suzie Baker, DADD President

RoseMerry Kirkpatrick, Historian

John Prewitt, JBHM Representative and Dinner Host

I. Call to Order (meeting guidelines)

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm; a quorum was established.

II. Approval of Minutes on the September 20, 2011 Board meeting

Minutes were previously posted on the website. Paula Wood moved and RoseMerry Kirkpatrick seconded that the minutes be approved. Motion carried.

III. Old Business

A. Preconference:

1. Suzie Baker indicated that 170 participants had signed up for the preconference, *Is it Sensory or is it Behavior?* Appreciation was expressed to Suzie for her work in getting the preconference scheduled. Because of the number of participants, it has moved to Horner Hall.
2. AR-CASE preconference has 102 registered.

B. Webpage

Webpage has been cleaned up. Adam is not at the meeting. Members were urged to send pictures and videos to the webmaster, communications chair or president.

IV. New Business

A. President Comments-

President DeeDee Cain asked if all board members were getting their emails.

B. Service and Publicize Service-

President Cain asked that the organization use the webpage to be a source for community outreach.

C. 2011 Conference-

It was indicated that 576 individuals were registered for the conference. Only 525 meals were ordered.

V. Officer Reports

A. President Elect, Jon Rainbolt-

Two additional door prizes have been given by Randall Jennings. There is concern about onsite registrants being able to receive a lunch. Bonnie Boaz has been given a national award, and Jon asked that Bonnie be recognized at the luncheon. Laura Bedner and Martha Kay Asti will need to be introduced at the luncheon. There will be 12 seats at the head table. Jon purchased an iPad to be given away at the exhibit hall as a way to increase registered participants' time in the hall. The board will reimburse Jon for the iPad. The Members Only room will be in the exhibit hall. Liability insurance is in place. Jon will ask Angela Greenland to sing the Star Spangled Banner. Board members were asked to assist at 8:00 in the morning in the board members' room.

B. Vice President, Paula Wood-

Paula has some door prizes to add to the president's social.

C. Jill LaRosa, Past President and Treasurer-

Nomination forms have been emailed. Evaluations will be given to Paula. Leslie will place evaluation forms in the folders for participants. Reimbursement form was given to board members. Total in account as of 11-8-11 is \$152,307.80.

D. KimDavis, Scholarship Chair –

Not present. A thank you card has been received from Becky Carter.

E. Rene Crow, Awards Chair-

No report

F. Rene Crow, CCBD Representative-

No report.

G. Courtney Williams, Elected Representative-

No report.

H. Kathleen Atkins, Appointed Rep-

No report.

I. AR SCEC Advisor, Leslie Rush-

Facilitators' training will be 11/9/11 at 7:00. The theme for the SCEC tee shirts is "Spread the Word". There are numerous auction items.

J. Membership, Laura Bunch-

Laura will be at the booth at 7:00 in the morning and help should arrive at 7:30.

K. Communications Chair and Secretary, Patty Kohler-

Pictures and videos should be sent for the webmaster.

L. Historian, RoseMerry –

RoseMerry will bring the SCEC policy change to the February board meeting.

M. Mary Pearson, CAN-

Mary is newly appointed as the CAN representative. Mary was not able to attend.

N. ARCASE, Ron Love-

Not in attendance.

O. DCDT, Paul Johnston-

Not in attendance.

P. DEC-

Muriel Sims is the new DEC representative (not in attendance).

Q. DDD, Suzie Baker-

No other report (170 registered for preconference).

Other-President Cain accidentally sent grant monies to additional recipients beyond those designated in the amount of \$500. Jon moved and RoseMerry seconded that \$500 be added to the grant budget to cover this expense. Unanimous approval. Jon moved and Kathleen seconded that a plant be sent to Audie Alumbaugh. This was also approved unanimously.

VI. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Kohler, ARCEC Secretary