

ACA IN Board Meeting
Thursday March 16, 2006
Flatrock River YMCA

Present: Jim Parry, Brigitta Adkins, Lisa Gunterman, Kate Weidner, Steve Heiny, Erin Fischer, Indigo Coleman, Max Scott, Anna Weigand, Lisa Sexton

Absent: Susie Davis, Mary Beth O'Brien, Bill Viar, Sherry Brown, Diana Keely, Salina Billington

Minutes from the last meeting; Motion to accept; Seconded and Carried

Welcome and Board Membership – Jim and Brigitta -

- Replacing Kelley – Kelley is unable to make Board meetings, so she would like to step down but is willing to be a “Super Volunteer”. Jim has canvassed a few folks to see if they would be interested. So far, no luck. The board offered some other suggestions. Jim will follow up.
- Replacing Jim – Accepted a position in Texas, so will continue as acting Board President. Diana Keely is Vice President. Jim will ask Diana if she can be acting President. Due to pregnancy, Diana may not be able to fulfill the responsibilities. Susie Davis is also a possibility. Jim is also willing to assist from afar until we have a new President.
- Jobs and Titles – Descriptions of Board jobs are ready for review by committee members and commented on.

Membership – Sherry was absent. Brigitta led discussion.

- Ian Hall with United Methodist Conference will submit applications for three camps.
- Brigitta also talked with several people at the CCCI conference about joining ACA.
- We can look at some of the day camps that are run by organizations that have accredited resident camps like Girl Scouts and YMCA. The more personal relationships we can build from a helping point of view, the better.

Standards – Kate

- Kate is investigating signs
- Looking into T-shirts for ACA visitors. Light blue was suggested.
- The council of delegates approved the new standards and additional professional practices and can be downloaded.
- Request to approve the visitor list. Motion made to accept the visitor list as presented. (See Attached) Seconded. Motion carried.

Education – Erin Fischer

- We compete with Mid-States and National so maybe we should offer training around a theme like Staff Training or Maintenance or Standards.
- Spring vs. Fall?
- A lot of enthusiasm for the day long events scattered around.

- Jim suggested that we have a goal of offering three events, one day long each with a more extensive event held in the fall.
- People do appreciate well qualified speakers even if they're not of the Michael Brandwein level.
- Erin's thoughts on the education committee discussing what direction we should go in, was seconded by Ivan. The framework will be worked out by end of March.
- Cluster Events – First cluster event Jan 18 10:00 – 2:00. CYO Camp Rancho Framasa. The millennial generation. Working with college-age generation. Was attended by 8 – 10.

Communications – Brigitta

- Our website will be tied to National.
- Website is going to be setup for easy maneuvering by parents
- Has a counter so we can see how many people are viewing the site.

Mid-States – Salina – Presented by Brigitta

- o There are now 14 presentations from the folks from Indiana.
- o They want us to have a steering committee representative.
- o Last year we had a section basket, but we didn't donate anything. Anna asked that we donate things to fill the basket with. If you have something to donate, please send to Brigitta or Anna.

Scholarships – Brigitta

- Had one scholarship. Reviewed application. Asked for \$65.00.
- Approved unanimously by Board.

Phone Survey – Jim

- Some survey results have been compiled
- Not all surveys have been completed.
- Surveys should be wrapped up by the end of the month and then reviewed.

President Report – Jim

- Jim voiced his opinion concerning the membership in ACA. Not enough people who work at camps are members. Usually only one or two staff members at each camp. If the membership only includes two memberships, then many people are missing out on services and we are missing out of their input. If we extended membership to lower level professionals for very reduced rate.
- Jim is going to draft a letter to National ACA on behalf of the Board.

Financial Report – Bill Viar – presented by Brigitta

- First Quarter Report-only January and February
- Questions
- Budget for 06 reviewed
- Budget will be sent out by email for approval.

Executive Report – Brigitta

- Four people contacted for fiscal task force- 2 declined, 2 no response. Fiscal recommendation report to be reviewed by Brigitta, Bill, and Laura and then presented to Board.
- Investment policy. Need to review policies for investments and make decisions about how long term each of our investments will be.
- Summary for Brigitta's evaluation was passed around.
- ACA National – Good feedback on program and events. Vendor area was terrible.
- Discussion of partnering with local volunteer organizations on-site.
- Brigitta spoke to class at ISU at Terra Haute about ACA and promoting recreation as a career. IPRA and ACA may collaborate with making presentations at Indiana colleges. Jim made presidential appointment of Dr. Nathan Schaumleffel of Indiana State to represent Indiana on SCLA committee. (Student Camp Leadership Academy)
- Young Professional – YP representative for the section is going to be Candace Campbell, new director at Camp Logan, Limberlost Girl Scouts
- CCCA – Christian Camp and Conference Association went well. Had lots of people asking questions following presentation.
- Database – updates – still not updated. Brigitta has complained to ACA and expect a response soon. There is a task force and are developing a new system that will have a single data base.
- Camper Fairs
 - o Indy's Child – Brigitta was swamped and needs support next year. 1000+ parents passed through.
 - o Evansville – Camp Carson is doing the fair – sent magazines
 - o South Bend – We are a co-sponsor – sent magazines and information. Will attend with booth.
 - o Canterbury – Presentations were not well attended. Most people just wanted to pick up information.

Old Business

- Charter – review and discuss

New Business

- Management Report – discuss about format.
- Before the next board meeting, three weeks in advance, the Chairs need to be reminded that their report will need to be presented.

Last Minute Stuff

Motion to dismiss. Seconded. Motion carried.