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Minutes
September 1, 2010
Conference Call

Present: Carol Lawhun, Ninetta Wandler, Faith Wendt, Vicky Matson, Pat Kisely, Sandy Meyer, Mark Hess

Absent: Steve Lunde

Staff: Moni Krantz, Jill Beck

The meeting was called to order by President Carol Lawhun.

Minutes from July 9, 2010 were reviewed and approved as presented.

Moni Krantz gave a financial report. It was suggested that the Chapter may be eligible to receive an additional education grant for the June 8 class.

Membership stats were reviewed. Sandy Meyer requested the list of those in Grand Forks who have not yet paid Chapter dues. Mark Hess suggested that a goal for 2011 be set to achieve membership at 50% or higher of National. Staff will look into previous years dues collection to compare National dues billing to sending the billing on our own (National charges $500 plus $3/member). It was noted that the National council cannot require local or state chapter membership.

Regional VP Mark Hess gave a report. Nationally, there are 556 new members. The National dues will increase from $120 to $150 for 2011. There has not been an increase since 2000. National Council is increasing the opportunities for free webinars for members and are offering more online courses. Sell-a-bration had about 400 attendees. The Council's website will be undergoing changes in early 2011. He will be attending the Leadership conference in Arizona next week as well as President Elect Ninetta Wandler. Mark has been reappointed for 2 more years to serve as our RVP through 2012.

Discussion was held regarding the upcoming convention in Grand Forks. We have a full slate of candidates to serve in the officer positions:

For President, Ninetta Wandler
For President Elect – Faith Wendt
For Secretary – Vicky Matson
For Treasurer – Pat Kisely

For ND Director – Diane Duchscher
For SD Director – Steve Coy

The Charity for the Chapter with a Heart will be the Community Violence Intervention Center (CVIC). Funds will be collected with the class sponsored by the Chapter. Staff will prepare a display for info on CVIC. Chapter members will present a check to a CVIC representative on Friday morning of the convention.

The General Membership meeting at convention will be with a breakfast instead of lunch this year.

It was suggested to look into the possibility of finding a state agency speaker to offer a class for 2011. That would save costs for the Chapter in sponsoring the class.

The Budget Committee (Ninetta Wandler – Chair, Sandy Meyer, Vicky Matson, Pat Kisely, and Faith Wendt) will review and propose a 2011 budget to present at the general membership meeting at convention.

CRS of the Year Committee (Diana Zietz, Sandy Meyer & Bruce Curington) will be in contact to decide on nominations for any candidates. The award will be presented at the general membership meeting at convention.

It was suggested to recognize the local board reps at the breakfast as well.

The following board members will help with the education class at convention: Carol Lawhun, Pat Kisely, Ninetta Wandler, Vicky Matson.

Members signed up to work at the exhibit booth. It was suggested that the Chapter have a drawing for a free Chapter membership for 2011.

Mark Hess invited everyone to join him for dinner in Grand Forks on Tuesday evening before the RPAC event.

Staff will contact National regarding the website and items on the progress report that need to be updated.

The next meeting will be the transition meeting. It will be held on Thursday, December 9, 2010 at 11:00 am Central (10:00 am Mountain time).

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Moni Krantz