

WALC Business Meeting

Tuesday, November 18, 2014

Wauwatosa, WI

- I. Call to order by Jill Bohn at 1230. The following were in attendance: Jill Bohn, Heidi Lynch, Kim Welvaert, Nicci Beeck, Jennifer Johnson, Kathie Russell, Jennifer Statz, Meredith Weir, Christine Raasch, Jane Buczynski-Radomski, Marcia Barrett, Janet Godshall, Sandy Testin, Beth Metsa, Angela Lang and Kris Wallerer.
- II. Thanks to Deanne Lawson, RN, IBCLC for presenting on To Breastfeed or Not....How Surviving Human Trafficking Complicates the Decision. 1 L CERP and 1 E CERP. 24 in attendance for the presentation.
- III. September Meeting Minutes. Motion by Sandy to approve as written, 2nd motion by Jennifer Johnson, all in favor.
- IV. Treasurer's Report by Kathie Russell.
 - a. Current checking account \$9,785 and money market account \$10,219.02.
 - b. If wanting to renew USLCA/ILCA membership, WALC is able to do this at a discount. Make check out to WALC and mail to Kathie Russell by December 1st, 2014 at 7442 Hunter's Court, Middleton, WI 53562. \$186 for both. \$117 for USLCA and \$69 ILCA if done separately.
- V. Program Report by Heidi Lynch.
 - a. New certificates for September program handed out due to date wasn't originally on them. Heidi will email those not present today.
 - b. When Heidi obtains confirmation about speakers/topics, she will update the WALC web site ASAP.
 - c. January 16th, 2015 (Friday) meeting will be at Meriter in Madison with Dr. Jenny Thomas speaking on Marijuana and Breastfeeding.
 - d. May 19th, 2015 (Tuesday) meeting speaker plans have not been finalized yet.
 - e. September 18th, 2015 (Friday) we are in discussion with UC Davis about bringing the Baby Basics course to Wisconsin.
https://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/wellness/classes/breastfeeding_babybasics.html
 - f. If issues with a committed speaker not able to attend, we can do a USCLA webinar as a program filler. There's a group fee for this.
- VI. Membership Report by Sandy Testin.
 - a. 178 members.
- VII. USLCA Report by Angela Lang.
 - a. Next meeting is this Thursday.
 - b. USCLA currently does not sit on the ILCA board. Australia and Canada are present but not the USA.

- c. Major focus is on legislation and obtaining licensure. USLCA sends members emails that can be forwarded to your congressmen. Are you interested in getting involved? Discussed having a focus group from 1700-1900 on the Thursday evening of the WALC conference. Marsha Walker has been working on this topic but decided not to ask her to speak as she already has a full speaking schedule. If we arrange for this, would need to have commitment ahead of time. Angela agreed to coordinate this. For more information, USLCA has a pamphlet about this. http://uslca.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/Licensure_FAQs_for_IBCLCs.pdf
- d. Discussion on differences between CLC and IBCLC. The Affordable Health Care Act doesn't define what is a trained lactation professional. There are hospitals that are getting rid of their IBCLCs. Why would anyone go on for their IBCLC if able to be hired as a CLC? We need to support legislation. For more information, USLCA has a pamphlet about this which we will have at the WALC conference. <http://uslca.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/Whos-Who-Oct2014.pdf>

VIII. WALC Conference

- a. March 12th and 13th, 2015 at Paper Valley in Appleton, WI.
- b. Confirmed speakers: Amber McCann, Barbara Wilson-Clay and Marsha Walker.
- c. 2016 conference will be at the Oshkosh Convention Center in Oshkosh, WI.

IX. Old Business

- a. WALC grant recipients
 - 1. Positive feedback from those that attended the BFAN tongue-tie, lip-tie, suck dysfunction conference with Dr. Alison Hazelbacker. WALC provided \$1,760 for incentives of the mother/baby dyads.
 - 2. At our last meeting, there was a question of whether Brook Murphy notified all grant recipients. Obtained confirmation that yes, she did notify all.

X. New Business

- a. Scholarship for minority CLCs
 - 1. Angela has been working on a scholarship application. Having issues with the details. Need to ensure commitment.
 - 2. Discussion on having a WALC mentoring program.
 - 3. WALC offers 5 scholarships to attend the WALC conference. Last year, there were no applications.
- b. WALC year in review
 - 1. Sandy is working on this. She will place in the WALC conference folders and on the WALC web site. Important that all know what WALC has done in the past year. Suggestion made to also put 3 goals for the 2015 year.
 - 2. Suggestion to develop a pamphlet or business card about WALC that could be handed out.
- c. Social Media
 - 1. Need to promote our web site and Facebook page.

2. Suggestion to develop a link on the WALC web site or on Facebook page about how someone can get involved.
 3. The WBC Communications Committee requesting that www.zipmilk.org be promoted on the WALC web site.
- d. Support Group
1. New Postpartum Depression & Anxiety Support Group at Columbia St. Mary's that meets every Tuesday from 1800-1900. 1st one in Milwaukee County. Recommended to share this on Facebook page.

Meeting adjourned at 1335. Motion made by Sandy Testin, 2nd motion by Jennifer Johnson, all in favor.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Kim Welvaert.