

WALC Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 17th, 2015

La Crosse, WI

- I. Call to order at 0815 by President Jill Bohn. The following were present: Allison Laverty Montag, Sandy Testin, Angela Lang, Lisa Brock, Heidi Lynch, Kim Welvaert and Kathie Russell.
- II. September Meeting Minutes. All reviewed and no corrections obtained. Motion to approve by Jill with second by Allison. All in favor and motion passed.
- III. President's Report by Jill.
 - a. The transition of Allison into the President role will begin now. Direct everything to Allison and if she has questions, will discuss with Jill.
- IV. Treasurer's Report by Kathie.
 - a. Current checking account is \$19,563.48. Money market account increased only per added interest since September meeting.
 - b. Kathie received a bill for the credit card. \$15 was charged from England. Kathie contacted credit card company. Three additional charges along with international transaction fees were noted. Card was cancelled and charges dropped. A new card is being sent in the mail. Jenny Statz has the other credit card and no issues.
 - c. Grants
 1. All have been dispersed and will be posted on the WALC web site by Allison. See Old Business Section for details.
 - d. WALC Conference speakers
 1. Travel arrangements have been paid for.
 - e. UC Davis
 1. We made a profit of approximately \$500. The Green Bay WIC also made money on theirs as well.
- V. Membership Report by Sandy
 - a. 208 members. This is the most we have had for membership.
 - b. Discussion about making a separate category for students or friends of WALC? No decision, further discussion required.
- VI. USCLA Report by Lisa & Angela
 - a. USLCA requires that 25% of our WALC membership be USCLA members. Everyone on the Board has both USCLA and ILCA memberships.
 - b. No longer able to do both ILCA and USCLA membership together, registrations are separate. Kathie will accept USCLA group memberships until 12/1/2015. ILCA not able to do group memberships.
 - c. Lisa and Angela will have a booth at the WALC Conference for USCLA, ILCA and WALC. At the ILCA conference, USCLA was selling IBCLC t-shirts for \$25 with the

money going towards a marketing fund. Angela will see if able to get these t-shirts for our WALC Conference, along with the stress reliever/patient education breasts.

- d. Recommended to put in the WALC conference syllabus about reasons why attendees should be a USCLA member.
- e. Lisa made a motion for the WALC President to receive a USCLA membership. Angela seconded with all in favor, motion passed.
- f. Discussed paying for USCLA membership for those we support taking the CLC course. No decision made, further discussion needed.
- g. Kathie made motion that we renew our USCLA Chapter Membership. Seconded by Heidi, all in favor, motion passed. Kathie will get the paperwork to Allison.
- h. Lisa reported that USCLA is encouraging regional meetings.

VII. Programs Report by Heidi.

- a. Currently on the calendar for 2016
 - 1. Friday, January 15th meeting to be in Green Bay on Community Outreach to Support Breastfeeding.
 - *Allison to get official title of meeting, disclosure sheets and any other information to Heidi.
 - *R and L CERPS?
 - 2. Tuesday, May 17th meeting in Madison on Relactation.
 - *Dr. Anne Eglash to speak?
 - 3. Friday, September 16th meeting in Appleton on Vitamin D and Cultural Aspects.
 - *Make this into a longer day? Will discuss further at the January meeting. May take advantage of the free USCLA webinar also.
- b. Angela to take over Programs.

VIII. WALC Conference Report

- a. March 3rd and 4th, 2016 at the Best Western Premier Waterfront Hotel & Conference Center in Oshkosh, WI. <http://oshkoshwaterfronthotel.com/>
- b. Changed location from Appleton due to not large enough facility.
- c. Online and paper registrations available 12/1/2015. We will be capping registrations at 400. Board members will need to fill out registration and give to Sandy.
- d. The following speakers have been confirmed:
 - 1. Kajsa Brimdyr, PhD, CLC
http://www.magicalhour.com/meet_the_experts.html
 - *Speaking on the following: skin to skin after birth, sustainable changes to hospital practice, labor medications and newborn behavior.
 - *Discussed viewing her video on Thursday evening as a fundraiser for the Mother's Milk Bank of the Western Great Lakes.
 - 2. Liz Brooks, JD, IBCLC, FILCA <http://www.lizbrooksibcl.com/>
 - *Speaking on the following: cases from a home visiting IBCLC, avoiding Legal and ethical jeopardy, modern families-ethics-law.

3. Jennifer Thomas, MD, MPH, IBCLC, FAAP, FABM
<http://www.drjen4kids.com>
*Speaking on the following: low milk supply and maternal obesity, epigenetics & breastfeeding, fussy baby.
- IX. USLCA Report by Lisa & Angela
- a. Lisa to take over role as the USCLA Rep with Angela continuing in a PRN role.
- X. Old Business
- f. Grants (which have all been dispersed and will be posted on the WALC web site by Allison)
 1. African American Breastfeeding Network (AABN) was notified of the \$1,000 grant for transportation needs.
 2. Josephine Nalugo from Uganda already had travel plans arranged. So the \$300 grant awarded in September for Josephine to attend the conference in Dubai will now go to her breastfeeding awareness project instead. Sandy made motion to continue to fund Josephine's ILCA membership, Lisa seconded and all in agreement.
 3. Breastfeeding Alliance of Northeast Wisconsin (BFAN) was notified of a \$1,350 grant for the Breastfeeding Friendly Childcare Initiative.
 4. Mother's Milk Bank of the Western Great Lakes was notified of a \$3,000 grant.
- XI. New Business
- a. WBC Membership <http://www.wibreastfeeding.com/>
 1. Allison made motion to renew WBC membership. Seconded by Jill, all in favor.
 2. This will allow 2 Board members to attend the WBC Summit.
 3. The WBC Summit will be held 9/23/2016 in Marshfield, WI. This is a change as previously the summits were held in June.
 - b. The position of Secretary is up for election in 2016. Notice will be posted on the WALC web site. The WALC Board opening will be announced at today's meeting.
 - c. Next meeting will be held the evening of Thursday, January 14th, 2016 in Green Bay, WI.

Meeting adjourned.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Kim Welvaert.