

WALC Business Meeting

Friday, January 15th, 2016

Green Bay, WI

- I. Call to order at 1232 by President Allison Laverty Montag. The following were present: Debbie Kunnenberg, Carrie Kelm, Janet Godshall, Kim Miller, Teri Andacht Genal, Anne Dahl, Kimberly Dombrowski, Samantha Metco, Heidi Lynch, Nicci Beeck, Kathleen Wolfgram, Aimee Elkins, Erin Tisch, Sandy Testin, Kathie Russell, Kim Welvaert, Kimberly Gunn, Makinzi Meeks, Beth Metsa, Jenni Johnson.
- II. Thanks to Allison Laverty Montag, IBCLC, RLC and Kathryn Jacobe, MD for presenting on Bridging the Gap....Creating A Breastfeeding Support Network for Continuity of Care. 2 CERPS awarded for attendance. 29 present for this education. Thanks to Aurora Baycare for hosting. Presentation power point will be posted to the WALC web site.
- III. November meeting minutes were reviewed. No additions or corrections. Motion made to approve as written by Sandi, 2nd by Kathie, all in favor.
- IV. Treasurer's Report by Kathie Russell.
 - a. Checking account \$20,741.74 and money market account \$10,233.50.
 - b. Most expenses have been due to the conference (speaker's travel, printing, etc.). Money is coming in with registrations.
- V. Membership Report by Sandy Testin.
 - a. 216 members, the highest our membership has ever been.
 - b. Renewal year is March 1st. Benefit of membership starts now until February 28th, 2017.
 - c. WALC is a member of USLCA. To continue, 25% our membership also needs to be members of USLCA. At the conference and meetings, this information will be asked upon registration. What happens if we don't meet that %? Uncertain.
- VI. USCLA Report by Sandy Testin.
 - a. WALC will be promoting USLCA membership at the conference. Lisa Brock and Angela Lang will have a booth with promotional items and literature. Reasons to join USLCA will be placed in the conference syllabus.
 - b. Focus for USLCA is licensure. If anyone is interested in this, let Allison know.
 - c. For many, if needing to choose USLCA or ILCA....many are doing USLCA. With today's meeting, indicated on the sign in sheet: 2 not members of anything, 19 WALC, 11 USLCA and 10 ILCA.
- VII. Programs Report by Heidi Lynch.
 - a. Heidi will be stepping down and Angela Lang will be taking over. Thanks to Heidi for a great job, this is her last event. She will assist Angela for the May meeting.
 - b. Tuesday, May 17th meeting will be in Madison. Topic on Relactation with Alyssa Schnell, MS, IBCLC. <http://www.sweetpeabreastfeeding.com/about-us.html>
 - c. Friday, September 16th meeting, looking at a possible ½ day or full day meeting. To be announced.

- VIII. Conference Report by Sandy Testin.
- a. Registration now available on line, which does involve a convenience fee <https://www.regonline.com/Register/Checkin.aspx?EventID=1787419> or paper <http://www.walc.net/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/WALC-Conference-Brochure-2016.pdf> mailed to Sandy.
 - b. Excited and nervous about the new location. We are fortunate to be working with many of the same staff from the previous site. Link for hotel reservations can be found here. http://www.walc.net/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/save_the_date_conference_20141-pdf/hotel-registration/
 - c. Contact Janet Godshall if wanting to volunteer. No volunteer positions during speaker sessions. Great way to get involved.
- IX. Old Business
- a. The position of Secretary is up for election. If interested, please contact Allison by February 1st.
- X. New Business
- a. Mentorship Program
 1. Obtaining lactation hours when pursuing IBCLC can be challenging due to variety of factors. If interested in developing this with WALC, contact Allison.
 - b. Grants
 1. 3 grants were approved by the Board. These will be posted to the WALC web site once the recipients have been notified.
 - c. WALC Web Site
 1. WALC is aware of issues of getting onto the site. This is being addressed. <http://www.walc.net/>
 - d. Next meeting is Tuesday, May 17th, 2016 in Madison.

Meeting Adjourned.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Kim Welvaert.