

WALC Business Meeting

May 17, 2016

Madison, WI

- I. Call to order at 1242 by President Allison Laverty Montag. The following were present: Kim Welvaert, Angela Lang, Jill Bohn, Kathleen Wolfgram, Aimee Elkins, Sharon Marshall, Ashley Weselenak, Katie Shimon, Samantha Metko, Lisa Hauser, Sue Slowen, Makinzi Meeks, Lisa Brock, Kris Walleser, Marcia Barritt, Crystal Zimmerman, Terri Funk, Amanada Veeder, Sandy Testin and Erin Burchard.
- II. Thanks to Alyssa Schnell, IBCLC of Sweet Pea Breastfeeding Support <http://www.sweetpeabreastfeeding.com/index.html> for presenting on Relactation. 2 L CERPS were awarded for attendance. 43 present for this education. Thanks to Unity Point-Meriter Hospital for hosting.
- III. January meeting minutes were reviewed. No additions or corrections. Motion made by Allison to approve as written, 2nd by Jill, all in favor.
- IV. Treasurer's Report by Lisa Brock.
 - a. Checking account \$32,000 and money market account \$10,237.
- V. Membership Report by Sandy Testin.
 - a. 170 members.
 - b. We meet USCLA criteria of a chapter in good standing with at least 25% of our members also being USCLA members. 53 of our 170 members are USLCA members, 28%.
- VI. USCLA Report by Lisa Brock and Angela Lang.
 - a. Last week there was a conference call where states shared what they're doing. Other states look to Wisconsin for ideas.
 - b. Georgia recently passed licensure of the IBCLC. Rhode Island was #1 and now Georgia is #2. Angela proposed looking at Georgia's bill which was simple but effective. 36 states are currently exploring licensure of the IBCLC. Angela has developed a provisional policy brief for IBCLC licensure here in Wisconsin. Recommended that after our meeting in September, for those who want to stay afterwards we can discuss this issue as it will take many. Possibly breaking down the tasks to regions? Who could we get to sponsor a bill? Lisa Subek's name was brought up as a possibility? <http://legis.wisconsin.gov/assembly/78/subeck> Information will be post posted on our web site and Facebook page along with sending emails to those who signed up interested a year ago.
- VII. Programs Report by Angela Lang.
 - a. September meeting was to be a joint effort with WBC (Wisconsin Breastfeeding Coalition) and WALC but this has been changed. The WBC Summit will be held on Friday, September 23, 2016 in Marshfield, WI. No other details have been shared. <http://www.wibreastfeeding.com/save-the-date-for-our-2016-summit/>.

- b. Next WALC meeting will be Friday, September 16th, 2016 at Wheaton Franciscan in Wauwatosa http://www.mywheaton.org/out/wauwatosa-campus/?gclid=Cj0KEQjwvtS6BRC8pcKn8OXlg_wBEiQAqtpiz-Dx256exMNQivhIAmnebhwcY8P6a0M08ZphU5wJqnEaAoeX8P8HAQ with Summer Kelly as the featured speaker. She is the Executive Director of the Mother's Milk Bank of the Western Great Lakes. <http://www.milkbankwgl.org/leadership-team/>. Summer will be presenting on the microbiome and milk banking. She is currently in process of obtaining her masters in Molecular Biology.
 - c. Tuesday, November 15th, 2016 meeting will be at Group Health in Madison. Speaker and topic to be determined.
 - d. January 2017 meeting will be held in Appleton.
- VIII. Conference Report by Sandy Testin.
 - a. March 9th and 10th, 2017 at the Best Western Premiere Waterfront Hotel & Convention Center <http://oshkoshwaterfronthotel.com/meetings/> in Oshkosh, WI.
 - b. Confirmed speaker Dr. Jane Morton. <https://www.goldlactation.com/conference/speaker/205/jane-a-morton>
 - c. Other speakers to be announced, waiting on responses.
- IX. Old Business
 - a. Mentorship Program
 - 1. We are looking for IBCLCs to mentor lactation interns. We have heard from one and are looking more. If you are able to mentor at your facility or are interested in making this happen, please contact Allison.
- X. New Business
 - a. Grants
 - 1. 8 were awarded last night during the Board meeting. Once all of the recipients are notified, it will be posted on the WALC web site.
 - b. The Mother's Milk Bank of the Western Great Lakes
 - 1. Now up and running. <http://www.milkbankwgl.org/>
 - c. Next meeting is Friday, September 16th, 2016 in Wauwatosa.

Meeting adjourned.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Kim Welvaert.