

WALC Business Meeting

Friday, January 16th, 2015

Madison, WI

- I. Call to order at 1245 by President Jill Bohn with the following present: Meredith Weir, Kim Welvaert, Janet Godshell, Sandy Testin, Stacy Comer, Kimberly Gunn, Heidi Lynch, Corrine Fleisner, Debra Thorstuson, Alex Ramirez, AJ Montag, Jennifer Johnson, Kathie Rumer, Marcia Barritt, Makinzi Meeks and Kathie Russell.
- II. Thanks to Dr. Jenny Thomas, MD, MPH, IBCLC, FAAP, FABM for speaking on breastfeeding and medications with the focus of talk on marijuana use. 2 CERPS were awarded with 1 L CERP and 1 R CERP. 35 were in attendance for the presentation.
- III. November meeting minutes are not available today. Kim Welvaert will have posted to the WALC web site next week. If concerns, please contact Kim.
- IV. Treasurer's Report by Kathie Russell.
 - a. Current checking account \$6,939.78 and money market account \$10,223.27.
- V. Program Updates by Heidi Lynch
 - a. Tuesday, May 19th, 2015 in Beaver Dam. Speaker to be determined with topic of licensure. Once decided, the information will be posted on the WALC web site.
 - b. September, looking at UC Davis to speak on baby behaviors.
<http://lactation.ucdavis.edu/conferences/>
 - c. November, possible location of La Crosse with topic on breastfeeding and birth control. More information to come.
 - d. If anyone has suggestions for potential speakers/topics, please let Heidi or any WALC board member know.
 - e. We're exploring having possible video conference for meetings.
- VI. Membership Report by Sandy Testin
 - a. 182 members.
- VII. USCLA Report
 - a. Angela not able to stay for the meeting. Per Jill, no updates at this time.
- VIII. WALC Conference Report by Sandy Testin
 - a. March 12th and 13th, 2015 at the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel in Appleton, WI.
 - b. To receive early bird rate, sign up by February 12th.
 - c. We're ahead of registrations from this time last year.
 - d. <http://www.walc.net/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/WALC-Conf-Brochure-2015.pdf>
 - e. Next year's conference scheduled for March 3rd and 4th, 2016 in Oshkosh, WI.
- IX. Old Business
 - a. Facebook
 1. Make sure to like us on Facebook and invite others to like us as well.
 2. We are working on ways to increase awareness of WALC around the state.

X. New Business

- a. Jill received Brooke Murphy's resignation as Past President effective immediately. In May, we will start the process of looking for a President Elect. If you or someone you know is interested, please let a Board member know.
- b. Sign the petition for the United States Breastfeeding Committee to promote breastfeeding to Congress. Jill will post the link to the WALC web site.
- c. Decision made by the WALC Board to make CERPS available only to WALC members starting at our May meeting. If not a WALC member, then \$20 for the 2 CERPS. Goal is to promote WALC membership which is \$20/year. Sandy will have membership forms at the meetings. Sandy Testin will also have the membership list updated and present for our meetings if there's a question about membership. Sandy and Stacy update the WALC directory twice a year. Recommendation given when signing in for attendee to list if IBCLC/CLC and WALC member.
- d. Jill explained Board's decision to no longer have a ILCA/USLCA conference scholarship. CERPS are readily available at the WALC conference and meetings. WALC pays for President (or Board Member), USCLA representative and conference committee chair to attend the ILCA/USLCA conference for the purposes of networking and searching out conference speakers.
- e. Next meeting will be May 19th, 2015.

Meeting adjourned at 1305 with a motion by Heidi and second by Sandy, all in favor.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Kim Welvaert.