



VCPEA

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MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
March 11, 2015

Present: Margie Marker, Lisa Furr, Joyce Martin, Sandra Gentry , David Hominik, Ginny Powell, Melissa Harper, Mary Ware, Susan Umidi, Julius Williamson, Ron Styles, Joyce Walsh, Kathy Pryor, Chris Stone, Courtney O’Hara

Absent: Rachel Hammer, Karen Browder

1. Welcome and Introductions

President Lisa Furr called the meeting to order and introductions were made.

2. Review of Minutes

Minutes of the February 2015 Board meeting were reviewed and approved. Mary moved and David seconded. Unanimously approved.

3. Treasurer’s Report –

- a. Balance on hand is \$84,890.68 including checking and savings accounts and investments.

Business Savings	\$14,034.93
Checking	<u>13,158.22</u>
	\$27,193.15
Investments	<u>57,697.53</u>

TOTAL \$84,890.68

- b. All outstanding checks have been cashed.
- c. The debit card that was issued by the bank to be used for Board expenses has been re-issued. Lisa has one and Margie has the other.
- d. Ron received a form from the VA Council for Corporations asking for \$125. After he checked with the State Corporation Commission, he discovered the VA Council for Corporations request is a scam. Lisa will send the information to the Attorney General.

Karen was absent so Committee matrix will be presented at the next Board meeting.

4. Committee Reports

1) Finance Committee –

- a. On a motion by Julius and second by Ginny, with unanimous approval, the Board empowered David and Lisa to get bids and select one for event liability insurance.

2) Advocacy Committee

- a. Ginny sent a letter signed by Lisa to the General Assembly requesting increased funding for the Public Guardian Program. Ginny and Kathy reported that the General Assembly approved an increase of \$500,000 for the Program. The Department of Aging and Rehabilitation Services (DARS) will receive the funding as it already administers the Program. DARS will decide whether the increased funding will expand existing programs, fund new programs, or take people on the waiting list. Cost is about \$5,000 per person per year.
- b. Kathy reported on several bills that were considered in the General Assembly.
 - i. Notice of observation status – This bill requires patients who are not admitted to a hospital but who are in “observation” status be notified that if they are transferred to a skilled nursing facility, they may be responsible for the charges.
 - ii. The Adult Fatality Review bill allows for local and regional programs for adult fatality review teams.
 - iii. Hospital discharge procedures must allow person to be designated for care upon discharge.
 - iv. Ombudsmen continue to be excluded as mandated reporters to Adult Protective Services.
 - v. Facilities are still allowed to use the “chain of command” for making reports to Adult Protective Services.

- vi. A bill that would have made for immediate referral to law enforcement of any financial exploitation of \$100,000 or more was tabled.

3) Public Awareness – No report

4) . Conference Committee

- a. Conference committee for 2015: Rachel, Joyce Martin. Joyce Walsh, Margie, Susan and Melissa. Lisa is chairing.
- b. Scholarship applications will be received ONLY through the VCPEA website using the Gmail account that has been established. Applications will be due by March 20, 2015. Applications have to be submitted as Word documents and no signature is required. A list of those who are approved will be posted on the VCPEA website rather than sending individual email notices. Forty-five (45) scholarships are available but selection committee will choose 50 applicants to allow for those who may cancel. Selection committee is Karen, Joyce Martin, and Ron Styles.
- c. Melissa will handle Event Brite registration.
- d. Paige Ulrey from Oregon will give keynote on neglect.
- e. Dr. Peter Bolling will give closing on Obamacare and aging.
- f. Other possible workshops include creating temporary shelters for older adults, faith and safety, Virginia’s five year plan on aging, coordinating responses to abuse, neglect and exploitation, increasing victim safety through collaboration, successful TRIADs, ethics, and three pre-conference workshops.
- g. Office of the Attorney General will have bags for conference participants. VCPEA will have folders for materials. VCPEA will also have small “give-aways” for participants – perhaps a computer screen cleaning tool.

5) Professional Awareness

- a. Training and Professional Awareness Support (TAPAS)
No additional requests have been received.
- b. Summary of TAPAS Grants awarded this year
 - i. AlzPossible for webinar \$1500
 - ii. Aging Together day-long seminar for creating
 - a. elder abuse prevention coalition 2200
 - iii. Loudon County seminar on hoarding 1600
 - b. TOTAL awarded \$5300

\$8,000 was set aside in the budget for these grants. Balance is \$2700.

- c. Guidelines for the TAPAS grants were discussed. The Board decided not to make any major changes. The TAPAS sub-committee (Kathy, Joyce M, and Joyce, W) will review proposals and make a recommendation to the full Board via email. If there are any concerns or issues about the proposal, either by sub-committee members or Board members, then it will be submitted to the full Board for further discussion at the next scheduled Board meeting.
- d. In the email that indicates a TAPAS proposal has been approved VCPEA will request that the Coalition be acknowledged as a sponsor in any written formats that grant recipients use for advertising their events. Also, acknowledgement of the Coalition's support should be made during their opening presentations.
- e. VCPEA will partner with TRIAD and share a display table for the Virginia Association of Social Work Practitioners (VASWP) conference to be held April 29 – May 1 in Norfolk. The Office of the Attorney General will pay the full cost of \$350 instead of VCPEA paying half.

6) Nominating Committee

- a. Courtney O'Hara with Virginia Center on Aging at VCU, Program Director for Domestic Violence in Later Life (Lisa's former position) has joined the Board. Courtney's and Susan's nominations will be presented to the full membership at the Annual Conference in May for confirmation.
- b. Ginny will continue her term until June 30, 201, but will be unable to continue on the Board.

7) Membership

- a. Karen was unable to attend the Board meeting, but sent an email asking for Joyce Martin to help with database update. Joyce Martin will contact her to set up a time to do the update.

8) Other business

- a. Karen set up a Gmail account for VCPEA. Board members who attended the meeting were given the password.

**Next meeting 10:30, Wednesday, May 13, 2015, Charlottesville Place to be determined.
Joyce Martin is checking with new local library for available room.**

Future meetings 2015:

Wed., May 13, 2015 (Charlottesville)

Wed., July 8 (Richmond)

Wed., Sept 9 (Charlottesville)

Wed., Nov 11 (Richmond) **Changed to Wed., Nov 18**

Meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Martin, Secretary