

IARP of the Carolinas

Board Meeting May 8, 2012, Minutes

Present

Tanya Ballard
Carla Marshburn
Cindy Boyd
Michelle Morgan
Nancy Wells
Chad Betters
Donna Irby
Adele Doering
George Page
Kathy Thaman

Carla Marshburn called the meeting to order and welcomed new members based on election results.

Current slate of officers includes:

Carla Marshburn, President (cmarshburn@carolinacasemgmt.com)
Nancy Wells, Past President (nwells@carolinacasemgmt.com)
Kathy Thaman, President Elect (Kathy.thaman@southernrehab.net)
Tonya Ballard, Treasurer (tballard@carolinacasemgmt.com)
Adele Doering, Secretary (acdoering@gmail.com)
Cindy Boyd, Member at Large (cindy.boyd@duke.edu)
Donna Irby, Member at Large (NC/SC) (donna.irby@southernrehab.net)
George Page, Member at Large (SC) (George.page@pagerehab.com)
Michelle Morgan, Member at Large (michelle.morgan@jobreadyservices.net)
Chad Betters, Member at Large (bettersch@wssu.edu) Completes the term of Rosemary Ketring who resigned from the Board.

Carla discussed production of a quarterly newsletter and all agreed this is a good idea. Current issue of the Newsletter will go out to all members in the immediate future and will contain a link to the meeting minutes when they are ready.

Nancy Wells gave an update on the IARP Chapter Presidents' meeting in New Orleans. She stated attendance was beneficial and both national and international IARP representatives attended. IARP of the Carolinas was used as an example by some presenters since we are currently the largest chapter. Subjects of discussion included IARP Connect, leadership, membership, fund raising ideas and increasing membership benefit, among other subjects. Suggestions included putting meeting minutes on the website, providing discounts on seminar

registration, selling ads to be included on the website and/or newsletter, investigating member discounts and developing a two year strategic plan.

Chad Betters discussed efforts that are being made to develop a resolution to allow undergraduate students to join IARP at a student rate now available only to graduate students.

George Page agreed to check and see if it is feasible for IARP to join the South Carolina Workers Compensation Educational Association, and what the costs for membership would be.

George agreed to check into pricing for us to join the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce.

It was noted that the chapter currently has 203 members.

Kathy Thaman reported some concerns that had come to board members' attention regarding transparency and the use of profits from the Primer course. After board discussion, decision was made to continue with a quarterly newsletter, to provide contact information for board members in the newsletter, and to produce a separate financial statement regarding the Primer course.

It was noted that beginning in 2013, the Primer course will be administered by the Industrial Commission. It will likely be handled by Webinar, perhaps as early as late 2012.

It was noted that, currently, IARP is covering the expenses for all materials for the Primer, that the teachers have volunteered their time, and that teachers' lunches have been provided by vendors. The Board discussed possibly providing some funding assistance to help the NCIC transition the Primer Courses to them.

The IARP Conference, rescheduled for November 2, 2010, at the same location – the Sheraton Crabtree in Raleigh – was discussed. Since Jodie Nolf, who was the committee chair, is no longer on the Board, Carla asked for a volunteer to chair the committee. Adele volunteered and it was noted that Jodie has agreed to continue to work on the committee as well. Tanya Ballard agreed to be the point person for the financial aspects of the conference, including receiving registrations and payments from sponsors and participants.

Adele noted the approved CEUs from CRC, CDMS and CCM are valid until the end of 2012.

Kathy began a discussion of partnering with another group to produce a joint conference at sometime in the future. Suggestions were made and discussions will continue.

Tanya gave a financial update:

Balance: \$46, 825.52

Income: \$12, 907.57

Expenses: \$2, 153.06

Carla asked the board members to express, in the near future, any interest they might have in attending the IARP conference in Puerto Rico on October 25 through 27, 2012.

The group agreed the old Chapter website should be taken down in order to avoid any confusion.

Next conference call meeting was set for Thursday, July 26, 2012 at 10AM.

President Carla Marshburn adjourned the meeting.