

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors  
of South Dakota RehabAction  
by Teleconference, July 19, 2006**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Board President, Margie Helgeson.

**Roll Call of Members Present:** President, Margie Helgeson; Past President, Alan Vandenburg ; President-Elect, Cindy Ryan; Treasurer, Bernie Grimme; Secretary, Linda Lockner; Board Members, Keith Rouse and Dan Rounds.

**Review of the Agenda and Minutes:** The agenda was reviewed, and the minutes of the Board meeting of April 13, 2006 were read. Keith moved, and Alan seconded the motion that the minutes be approved as read. All in favor.

**Membership Report:** Bernie said that as of now, there are 106 members. He said that this number may drop some, because there are eleven people who have not renewed, despite repeated e-mail reminders. They may be deleted from the roster if their memberships are not renewed soon. Linda moved that the membership report be approved, and Bernie seconded the motion. All in favor.

**Treasurer's Report:** Bernie presented the treasurer's report, which he had e-mailed to the board members prior to the meeting. Bernie reported a balance of \$26,120.81. He also reviewed the special Mid Winter report and added that this crosses calendar years. We ended up with \$4372.14. Dan asked if SDRehabACTion will be able to keep the full amount in the treasury. Bernie replied that he thought so. Bernie said that he would post the reports to the SD RehabACTion web page. Bernie added that Fall Conference payments will be run through the SD RehabACTion treasury. Cindy moved to approve the treasurer's report, and Alan seconded the motion. All in favor.

**Legislative Update/ARAN Consortium Meeting:** Bernie said that he has been forwarding NRA updates. He said that WIA went through the Senate. Margie segued into her report of the ARAN Consortium Meeting held yesterday by conference call. She said that Catriona McDonald presented to the ARAN Consortium. Catriona reported that it is unlikely that WIA will

be passed soon because it is an election year. Republicans are fast-tracking everything they can to prevent being accused of not accomplishing anything this session. However, we need to treat it like WIA passing is still a possibility. The big question is what kind of bill will come out in the final WIA legislation.

Margie said that Catriona put together the talking points on reauthorization of WIA and sent it to her this morning. Margie will forward it to Bernie who will in turn forward it to the SD RehabACTion membership.

Margie also reported that the ARAN Consortium treasury currently has \$11,460., which is about three month's in operating expense. Dennis Kutach from Texas pledged \$12,000 to supplement the ARAN budget. She said that the next newsletter will recognize the state organizations for their financial assistance.

Currently there are 883 ARAN members with three new institutional memberships. South Carolina has dropped to 0 members. Margie suggested that ARAN states make a point to recognize their administrators at the CSAVR conferences and find other ways to get the word out to other states. We need to make sure these recognitions get into the ARAN newsletter. This will be discussed further at a later date.

Margie said that Catriona and Linda Mock presented to NRA and CSAVR the benefits of ARAN. They will be presenting the same message with Terry Brigrance at the 12th CSAVR Conference in San Francisco in September.

Bernie said that SD RehabACTion funded a social last month at the Region 8 V.R. field managers and directors meeting in North Dakota, and the CSAVR director was present. Margie it is also a good idea for ARAN to sponsor breaks at CSAVR meetings.

ARAN is planning a gathering in Washington, D. C. in the spring of 2007.

**2006 Fall Conference:** Fall Conference plans were discussed. Things are shaping up. There is a draft agenda on the web page. Bernie said that we have been getting registrations from all over the region. Room reservations are half full already. Bernie is making early projections of 225 conference attendees and a \$7200. profit. The next focus is getting vendors lined up.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There was discussion on provider awards. There would be similar categories as last year's categories. Bernie moved that SD RehabACTion give provider awards. This was seconded by Dan. All in Favor. The deadline for submission of nominations is 9/22/06.

Dan recommended that we recognize Kathy Hasselbrook, the Diversity Chair for the Aberdeen Area Human Resources Association. Kathy is being nominated for an award at the NDEAM event in Aberdeen. Bernie moved that we give Kathy a SD RehabACTion shirt and contribute toward the award. This was seconded by Cindy. All in favor.

There was discussion on a retirement gift for Ron Ronshaugen. He will be at the meeting in Chamberlain in August. A suggestion was a framed print on a white border that the staff can sign. The motion was made by Dan and seconded by Keith that SD RehabACTion purchase a gift up to the amount of \$150. All in favor.

The Vietnam War Memorial dedication will be held September 15-16 in Pierre. There will be a group of disabled volunteers working the event. There is a fundraising effort for refreshments during breaks at volunteer headquarters. Gaye Mattke requested that SD RehabACTion donate \$75.00 toward the breaks. Alan moved, and Bernie seconded that SD RehabACTion help with a \$75. donation. All in favor.

**Next Board Meeting/ Adjournment:** It was discussed that we will meet again on September 29 at 11:00 a.m. Central Time. Bernie moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Linda. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, Linda J. Lockner, Secretary

Treasurer's Report Attached

South Dakota  
RehabACTion  
Treasurer Report  
1/1/2006 to 7/16/2006

Category	Payment	Deposit	Difference
Marketing	\$0.00		\$0.00
ARAN Donation	\$1,500.00		-\$1,500.00
Donation	\$393.17		-\$393.17
Membership	\$2,118.00	\$2,343.00	\$225.00
Office Supplies/Charges	\$40.36		-\$40.36
MidWinter 2007	\$0.00		\$0.00
MidWinter 2006	\$11,223.36	\$15,050.86	\$3,827.50
Fall Conference 05	\$0.00	\$220.00	\$220.00
Fall Conference 06	\$1,131.00	\$0.00	-\$1,131.00
Peer Support *	\$342.05		-\$342.05
Shirts	\$670.61	\$45.00	-\$625.61
Training	\$74.07		-\$74.07
Bank Charges	\$29.00		-\$29.00
	\$17,521.62	\$17,658.86	\$137.24

Cash on hand at beginning of Year			\$25,983.57
Profit/Loss during Year			\$137.24
Balance			\$26,120.81

\* \$505.70 Peer Support  
dollars need to be  
credited back to SBVI