

SD RehabACTion Conference Call Minutes for 7-24-02

Board Members Present: Kim Crossan, Gaye Mattke, Bernie Grimme, Cindy Stewart, and Jerry Raabe

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by President, Kim Crossan, at 2:08 PM.

SSA Training: Discussion ensued about the training conducted by Mike Walling last week. The majority of the feedback received from those who attended was very positive. Total revenue for this training is projected to be \$12,210. After expenses, there will be an estimated \$6,000 profit.

Advanced SSA training by Mike Walling will be a two day session tentatively planned for the end of September. Attendance will be limited to approximately 35 individuals per site with DRS/SBVI employees having first priority (registration will be direct-billed for DRS/SBVI). Others wishing to attend will need to pre-register for the remaining available slots. No walk-ins will be allowed. CTAT will sponsor 6 days of training at a cost of \$4800 to help keep registration costs lower. The training will be held in Sioux Falls, Brookings, Aberdeen, and Rapid City (see Bernie's Excel spreadsheet for revenue and cost estimates). Dates will be confirmed with Mike Walling in the near future. Those individuals responsible for making arrangements for the first session will be asked to handle arrangements again. Jerry Raabe will make the arrangements in Brookings.

Treasurer's Report: The current checking account balance for RehabACTion account is \$5,066.96. This balance will increase significantly with the revenue from the SSA Training.

Membership: There are currently 43 members. Discussion was held regarding ways to increase membership. Several ideas were suggested. Kim will identify and contact the membership committee on potential promotional activities.

Support of legislation/medicaid changes: Discussed issues regarding Medicaid Infrastructure Grant. At this point all we can do is follow it along. Suggestion was made to have Mike Walling present to the Medicaid Infrastructure Grant Steering Committee.

T-shirts: Discussed RehabACTion supporting shirts to promote public VR agencies. Consensus was that this is a worthy activity. Membership committee could sponsor a logo competition that promotes RehabACTion and employment of individuals with disabilities. The winner would be announced at the fall conference. Kim will contact the membership committee and discuss this idea with them.

New Business: RehabACTion will support activities at Mid Winter. Ideas suggested were handling registration for the general session, helping to sponsor a presenter, etc. Specifics will be determined at a later date.

It was decided that RehabACTion would offer to sponsor an activity at the APSE conference this fall like a break, a continental breakfast, or hospitality. Kim will contact Lisa Lunstra to discuss our ideas closer to the conference.

A board meeting will be held during the APSE Conference in October.

The annual meeting of the RehabACTion membership will be held at Midwinter.

Discussion was held regarding RehabACTion support of the SF-Business Leadership Network in an amount that would include reimbursement to DRS/SBVI employees who attended and worked at the BLN breakfast on July 23, 2002. Board unanimously voted to support this. Bernie will contact Mike Frost, BLN director to make the arrangements.

Bernie discussed the purchasing of supplies for RehabACTion . He wanted to know if the board wanted to place a limit on the dollar amount he could spend without board approval. Board decided that Bernie can address the purchase of supplies in the Treasurer's report without pre-approval from the board.

Kim will schedule another Board conference call sometime in Sept. 2002.