

RehabAction Meeting Minutes - 11/17/04

1. President, Richard Gardner called the meeting to order.
2. Roll call: Richard Gardner. Members present:

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3. 3. Minutes of the last Board meeting on 10/05/04 have been posted on the RehabAction Web site. Bernie Grimme made a motion to approve the minutes as posted. Kim Crossan seconded the motion.

4. 4. Officer's reports:

Treasurer, Bernie Grimme reported the current balance in the RehabAction Account is \$24,976.40. We currently have 101 members. Bernie discussed plans to get the President Elect, Alan Vandenburg on the account as a signer during the next Midwinter conference.

He also reported that RehabAction had an estimated profit of \$3270.35 from the 2004 Fall Conference. For other expense/income details, see the Fall Conference 2004 Budget, Revised: 11/17/04. There are some unpaid registrations in the amount of \$220.00 which will most likely not be received as these individuals did not attend nor did they cancel the registrations. They have been billed. The payments from CTAT and the DD Council have not been received, but are expected.

Bernie reported that ARAN Board of Directors is considering including representatives of the State 501 (c) (3) chapters of RehabAction in the organization. Their Board of Directors is currently made up of the Director's of State VR Agencies. Grady Kickel is a member. Jack Duncan, who has been the ARAN President, has retired, so the future composition of ARAN is being considered. Grady has agreed to allocate funds to send a DRS person to the meeting on December 15th and 16th in Dallas, Texas. Bernie will be the DRS Representative to the meeting.

He asked if this Board is willing fund the trip for another Board member. Estimated expenses are: airline ticket - about \$700.00, one night's stay - \$135.00, and the cost of meals could be reimbursed by RehabAction. The total cost will be between \$1000.00 - \$1500.00. Board members discussed the funding and who to send.

Margie made a motion to have President, Richard Gardner, attend the meeting and to allocate RehabAction funds for the trip. The motion was seconded by Nikki.

Review of 2005 MidWinter Conference plans: It is scheduled for March 7, 8, and 9. It is a DRS/SBVI conference, but it's possible that providers will be included in this year's conference. Bob Jahner from Montana will present on Comprehensive Assessments. RehabAction will sponsor a hospitality gathering, possibly will fund a speaker, and will also handle registrations as we have in the past. Janet Ball is taking the lead in organizing the conference.

Bernie reported that the provider training in Watertown was a success. Cammie Cloman, CTAT trainer, presented for 2 days. Approximately 35 people attended this training. Alan Vandenburg said he had heard nothing but good reports on the speaker. RehabAction funded breaks at a cost of \$235.00.

Nikki Moir reported on plans for the 2005 Fall Conference. It will, tentatively, be held in Brookings at the Brookings Inn on October 11, 12, and 13.

Bernie reported that he is contacting Black Hills Special Services Coop to see if they can get a better price on the polo shirts. Currently the price would be \$24.00 for a shirt with the logo.

5. 5. Committee reports:

Alan Vandenburg reported that he has a preliminary slate of officers for the election which will be held at the 2005 MidWinter Conference in March. Nominations are still being accepted and an email will be sent to all members asking for further nominations. Currently the slate includes: Nikki Moir for Provider At-Large, Randy Christensen for Member at Large, Linda Lockner for Secretary, and Margie Helgeson for President-Elect.

6. 6. Unfinished business:

The North Dakota chapter of RehabAction invited a member of SD RehabAction to attend the State Conference on November 1 and 2 to help them promote their organization. Bernie attended as our representative. He reported that they have only 20 members in North Dakota. The ND State

VR agency is not as involved as the SD VR agency is. Also they have not, to this point, included providers in their membership. Representatives from the ND chapter will be invited to attend the SD MidWinter Conference.

Bernie made a motion to approve the recognition awards for Dan Rounds and Janet Ball (\$50.00 each) for their hard work organizing the 2004 Fall Conference. Alan seconded the motion.

7. 7. New business: none

8. 8. Kim made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alan seconded the motion.

The next meeting will be on January 5th at 10:00 Central Time/9:00 Mountain Time. Board members will be notified of the conference number to call.

Minutes submitted by Margie Helgeson.