

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
of South Dakota RehabACTion
September 19, 2007 by Teleconference**

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Cindy Ryan.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS PRESENT:

President, Cindy Ryan; Past President, Margie Helgeson; President-Elect, Steve Resick; Treasurer, Bernie Grimme; Secretary, Mary Lesselyoung; VR Member at Large, Keith Rouse. Not Present: Provider Member at Large, Cindy Kirschman.

REVIEW OF THE MINUTES/ ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

Minutes of the meeting held 8/6/07 were reviewed. Bernie made a motion to accept the minutes, and Keith seconded the motion. All were in favor.

REPORTS:

Membership Report: The membership report was given by Bernie. There are currently 90 SD RehabACTion members. This number is likely to fluctuate with the upcoming Fall Conference.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasure Report was presented and reviewed by Bernie. Margie made a motion to accept the report, and this was seconded by Mary.

2007 Fall Conference: Arrangements continue to be made for the Fall Conference to be held at the Ramkota Inn in Aberdeen Oct. 17-19, 2007. Bernie reported that 102 individuals are registered so far and we are expecting 125 to 150 participants. The ERN group will be joining us on Thursday and that will add 75 to 100 more participants for that day. The agenda and various arrangements were reviewed by the group. 10 Vendors are registered so far and they will each be providing a door prize valued at approximately \$20. Workers for the Registration Table have been selected.

A retirement gift to honor Dr. Easton and her dedicated years of service to Rehabilitation will be presented at the social.

Bernie reviewed the donations being received from the DD Counsel, Freedom to Work, and CTAT for the fall conference.

Black Hills Special Services will be setting up a Hospitality Room.

SD RehabACTion Provider Recognition Awards will again be presented at the fall conference social on Wednesday evening.

ARAN Consortium Report: Margie presented the ARAN update. TRAN, the Texas RehabACTion chapter, has invited the ARAN Board members from the State Chapters to their meeting in November. Discussion was held and agreement reached on this being a good opportunity to visit with other RehabACTion members and find out what's going on nationally. Margie and Steve both agreed they would be available to go in November. Bernie indicated that it would cost about \$1000 per person and perhaps the Division would sponsor one person and SD RehabACTion the other. Bernie made a motion to send at least two members to the Texas

RehabACTION meeting in November. This was seconded by Cindy Ryan, and all were in favor. Bernie will check on the funds for the trip.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: Provider Awards: Five nomination forms for the Provider awards were received and reviewed. The 2 award categories and Nominees include:

1). Outstanding Provider in Providing Employment Opportunities

Shirley Mines - Yankton

Jane Williams –Sioux Falls

2). Outstanding Provider in Leadership and Program Development

Shelly Pfaff - Pierre

Julie Becker – Sioux Falls

Hoby Abernathy - Pierre

Discussion was held and members agreed that the 5 nominees are all worthy of recognition for their dedicated work. Keith made a motion to accept both nominees in the first category and this was seconded by Margie. All were in favor. Margie made a motion to accept all 3 nominees in the second category and this was seconded by Cindy Ryan. All were in favor. Bernie abstained from voting during the second category as he had submitted one of the nomination forms. The five Providers will each receive a plaque at the Fall Conference Social to recognize and acknowledge the outstanding work they do in assisting individuals with disabilities.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Bernie informed us that the SD Coalition is selling raffle tickets with the proceeds going to benefit South Dakotans with disabilities served by the Coalition. Three prizes will be drawn in December. 1st prize: Lakota Star Quilt, 2nd prize: Weekend @ Camp Lakodia Four Seasons, 3rd prize: \$75 cash. A book of 10 tickets could be purchased for \$25 and given out as a door prize at the Fall Conference. Margie made a motion to purchase one book of tickets and this was seconded by Steve. All were in favor.

Next Board Meeting: Next meeting is scheduled for October 1, 2007 @ 11am Central time. This will be a conference call.

Adjournment:

Bernie made a motion to adjourn the meeting and this was seconded by Margie. All were in favor.