

MISSOURI SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK Board Meeting Minutes March 15, 2014

Present: Al Barton, Steve Franklin, Mike George, Shelly Justison, Vincent Marino, Kathleen McMullan, Linda Pevnick, Jesse Berg (Executive Director)

Absent: Cindy Badamo

1. Paypal balance is \$800.37. Al reported that there is \$12,762.35 in the bank (\$8,464 this time last year). Jesse is donating \$10 worth of paper products to the Center each month on behalf of MSCSW. Jesse reported that the January workshop certificate has the wrong date; Jesse has sent a revised certificate to all attendees by email.

ACTION: Two speakers have not cashed their honorarium checks. Jesse will email to remind them to cash checks or let him know that they are not cashing.

2. There are 112 members (112 LCSWs, 13, LMSWs, 4 students). There are 4 new members.

The Board discussed having a social event in June (current idea: ice cream social in a park). Jesse suggested adding ice breaker/team building activities.

ACTION: Al will check with a friend who operates a Baskin Robbins ice cream truck to see what it might cost.

Linda proposed that the Society sponsor a list serve for members. There was a discussion about what guidelines the list serve should have, if any. Steve already has drafted a Yahoo group list serve. It was decided to add a general statement to members to use professional and personal respect in utilizing the list serve.

ACTION: Jesse will send an email to members with instructions for the list serve. Steve will act as moderator of the list serve & will accept members who wish to join the list serve.

Jesse has been making announcements and sending emails to members about serving on a committee. Two members with university connections have expressed an interest in helping Mike with outreach to the universities.

3. The Board discussed possible workshop topics. Members are requested to submit topics; members can also be asked if they know someone who is a good speaker for a particular topic.

Steve suggested that the Society have a time for networking/socializing at 2:30pm (prior to the 3pm workshop). The Board could provide coffee/soda plus a snack. The Board agreed to try this several times to see what the response is.

Shelly has confirmed that member Gerald Gardner will do the ethics workshop. Both Steve and Mike agreed to talk with Gerald about what they did in their ethics workshops.

The Board discussed bringing in Laura Gershon (spelling?) from the national office to present her 6 hour workshop on new requirements for LCSWs in the next 3-5 years. All Board members liked the idea and thought that his would be a good opportunity for MSCSW.

ACTION: Shelly will contact Laura to see what it would take (cost, etc.) to bring her to St. Louis in September (or October). Steve mentioned that he will be going to Seattle where Laura works and would also be willing to contact her while there.

ACTION: Linda will introduce Susan Frager for the April 12 workshop.

Mike reported that several people have "complained" that all the workshops are on Saturday. The Board agreed to discuss this further.

Jesse has redesigned the workshop certificates to meet Illinois requirements.

4. Al offered to Board members a profit/loss statement for 2013 for MSCSW.

Vincent J. Marino
Secretary