MISSOURI SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK          Board Meeting Minutes          August 15, 2015

Present:  Al Barton, Jesse Berg, Steve Franklin, Shelly Justison, Vincent Marino, Jenny Voss, Jodi Hogue (Executive Director)

Absent:  Linda Pevnick, Laura Ranalletta

1.  The Board welcomed Jodi as new Executive Director.

2.  Al reported that with Paypal there is $14,507 in the checking account.

3.  To date, there are 33 signed up for the September workshop.

ACTION:  Send out an e-mail close to the workshop date to inform attendees about parking.

4.  ACTION:  Linda still needs to write up the minutes for the July Board meeting.

5.  The Board rethought some of the Executive Director responsibilities:

ACTION:  Continue to get members and Board members to help set up & greet at the monthly workshops

ACTION:  Continue to brainstorm ideas to get members involved

ACTION:  Have a Board member volunteer to pick up food for the Board meetings.  Make this a standing item on the Board agenda for the following month

ACTION:  Vince will continue Board minutes.  If Vince is not present, another Board member will volunteer

ACTION:  Board members provided information to Jodi

6.  The Board brainstormed ideas to help Jodi get a feel for what the Board wants to happen in the next 1 to 3 years.  The ideas generated included:  stabilize/increase membership, Board development (increase Board to 12/13?), reach out to younger & diverse social workers, provide professional leadership, more visibility within the community, maintain quality, one major conference per year, explore larger meeting space (free or low rent)

7.  Jesse reported that he has had several training sessions with Jodi.  Jodi can now do most things on the website.

8.  ACTION:  Shelly will introduce Jodi, Board members and the speaker at the September workshop.

9.  ACTION:  Jodi will put on the website information about renewing membership (membership year = July to June).

10.  ACTION:  Jodi will attend the CSWA Summit on October 3 in DC.

11.  33 attendees are registered for the September Annual Event.

ACTION:  Send out a reminder email.

ACTION:  Allow a disabled member's mother/caregiver to register at half the membership rate.

ACTION:  Allow a group of 6 from one agency to register at $125 each.

ACTION:  Meet August 27 at 7 pm in Al's office to finalize details for the event

ACTION:  Email Susan Signorelli's list serve & Psychotherapy St. Louis about the event.

ACTION:  Jenny will develop a press release.

ACTION:  Linda will provide the food.

ACTION:  Jesse will develop some promotional literature.

ACTION:  The Board chose pens as a promotional item (the water bottles are too bulky to haul around)

12.  Membership:  73 current, 50 or less to renew.  Board members have been making calls/emails with some success; recalls will be made

13.  Jenny reported on the workshop lineup:

September - Annual event

October - Future of social work (panel) - discussion of results from CSWA Summit, etc.

November - Play therapy

December - Couples therapy

January - Music & kids

February - Eating disorders

14.  Community Collaboration:  Laura is handling

15.  Advocacy:  Steve had nothing to report

ACTION:  Possibly develop at the October workshop an issue that MSCSW might want to take on

16.  MSCSW uses Wild Apricot at the group level at $40/month.  This only allows 250 contacts.  Our contact list is now full

ACTION:  See how many of these 250 contacts are still good.  Drop the bad contacts.  If we are still close to 250 contacts, move up to the community rate at $70/month.

17.  The website has been changed & needs some tweaking.

18.  ACTION:  print the last newsletter for distribution at the Annual Event.  Delay the next newsletter till after the Annual Event.  Include something about the Annual Event & Jodi in the next newsletter.

19:  Next Board Meeting:   September 19. 2015

Vincent J. Marino

Secretary