

SOUTH CAROLINA AUTISM SOCIETY

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors

January 27, 2007

Members Present	Members Absent
Denise Chastain	Cheryl Bauerle
Renee Collins	Susan DuRant
Tim Conroy	Chris Heeringa
Erik Drasgow	Erik Norton
Alex Holbert	Sarah Pope
Becky Hughes	
Susan Kastner	
Margaret Moore	
Joyce Nielsen	
Susie Tolson	
Roy Williams	
Mitchell Yell	

STAFF PRESENT

Craig Stoxen, Executive Director

Call to order

Joyce Nielsen called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m. A quorum was declared. Introductions were made.

Approval of minutes

On the October 6 minutes, a correction was noted in that Susan DuRant was absent. Margaret Moore moved to accept both sets of minutes with corrections. Mitchell Yell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Autism Division Report

Daniel Davis was absent. Item was skipped.

Treasurer's Report

Mitchell Yell reported that in reviewing the financial statement for 2006, our revenue exceeds our expenses. Government grants look good as well.

Regarding bank board resolution, Margaret Moore made a motion. Susan Kastner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Regarding check signing limits, Roy Williams made a motion to approve check signing to increase to \$2500.00 for one signature. Mitchell Yell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Director's Report

Craig Stoxen reported that we received a 97.8% quality rate on first annual health review. There will be a Chapter Leader workshop in North Carolina. Roy Williams is planning to attend the workshop. Regarding the PDD Pilot Project, the names have been chosen and there is a waiting list

of 400 or so. The keynote speaker for next year's conference will be Richard Simpson. For other details, refer to the written Director's Report.

Committee Reports

A. Legislative

a. DDSN budget

DDSN puts priority on residential services.

b. PDD treatment

They have asked for a 4.5 million increase.

c. Ryan's Law

This law will only affect about 20% of the autism community.

d. State Restructuring

This may be a dead issue. Craig will watch for this, but is not sure what will happen.

B. CRP

Reports have been submitted. We have not yet received a response from Daniel Davis. We still need volunteers for this committee for the Piedmont area.

C. Executive Session

The board went into executive session.

Old Business

We have purchased a new building. We did get furnishings with the building. \$98,000.00 was received from DDSN towards this purchase. We will be exempt from property taxes. We will begin our public capital campaign in April. Craig gave us a plan for the capital campaign.

New Business

A. 2007 Operating Budget

A copy was given and gone over during the meeting. Denise Chastain made a motion to pass the budget. Margaret seconded the motion. Motion carried.

B. Board Rotation Policy

Roy Williams made a motion to adopt a board rotation policy. Margaret Moore seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. Employee Handbook Policy

Roy Williams made a motion to adopt the employee handbook as presented with the following change. Under Code of Ethics on page 2, the first bullet should read: *I will not discriminate against or refuse professional services to anyone as agreed with EEO & Affirmative Action statement on page five (5)*. Mitchell Yell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.