

OHPSAC Board Meeting  
December 9, 2010

Present at conference call: Linda Lewin, Amy Robinson, Alice Robinson-Bond, Marc McMillian, Erna Olafson, Gail Hornor, Beth Ann Rodriguez, James Landon, Jill Kilanowski, Julie Kenniston, Chris Julian, Brian Wear

Started at 10:07 AM.

**Web site** We need to make a decision on the **disclaimer**. Based on the APSAC disclaimer, Linda has crafted a draft for both the website and newsletter, and will send to the board for an electronic vote of approval or disapproval or suggestions for change. Deadline for comments are December 20, 2010. This will then be added to our website. This is the proposed wording.

*(Website) "Due to Child Safety concerns---Please do not make reports to the Web site. To report suspected abuse and neglect, please call your local child welfare agency or call your local law enforcement agency."*

*(Website & newsletter: "Content on this website/in this newsletter reflects the work of the professional organization and is not meant to reflect clinical opinions. All materials maintained on the server/in this newsletter are provided "as is" with no warranties of any kind. OHPSAC will not be liable for any damages of any kind, including consequential or incidental damages, arising from the submission, installation, maintenance, transmission, copying modification, distribution, or use of any materials."*

Compliments to Brian and Mark for a great job on the recent **newsletter!** They continue to improve with each issue. Newsletter issues and assignments will be addressed at the next board meeting. Beth Ann article on cultural diversity will be used in the next newsletter. Brian asked us please write your name when you write your article.

**Board members election.** We need four people for the ballot. Ballot will go out first two weeks of February.

Julie due to her new obligations at work feels she cannot continue board member at the present time but will consider re-joining the board at a later date. Erna will continue and send a 50 word biosketch to Linda. Linda has received the biosketches from Jill and Chris. The board is reminded the responsibility is that 50% of board meetings must be attended. Chris has pursued the Columbus police department and has not had success in identifying a person for the board. The police department would be unable to support the membership dues at this time. Brian has suggested that we offer a 3 year membership to an under-represented area to provide the OHPSAC a multidisciplinary membership. The dues would be \$50 per year, \$150 for the three year board term. Note: six out of 12 board members have their APSAC dues paid by their employer.

As an alternative, Alice will contact the state associations of directors, sheriffs, and heads of law enforcement again asking for a representative to OHPSAC.

Amy will follow up on the inquiry for one person who has expressed interest in serving on the board. Amy has sent a notice to the newsletter about OHPSAC to the law enforcement agencies and has not received any return comments. She will do this again.

After much discussion, Chris made a motion, Erna seconded to use as a pilot experience to offer a 3 year membership to a law enforcement officer, if necessary, for an underrepresented professional area. A vote was taken and there was majority approval, one nay and one abstained. Mark asked if there is a standard in APSAC? Linda said that APSAC has recognized that new case workers may have a lower income and be unable to pay a higher rate of dues- that is the reason behind having a tiered level of membership dues. The question was asked if the current Ohio membership contains any law enforcement members. Linda identified one person who is listed as law enforcement. Alice will contact this person and ask if he would consider running for the board since he is already a member.

Ron asked Brian if our **application for grant funding** has been submitted. Discussion followed by Linda for the breakdown of expensed detailed in the grant. She will send this via email to the board. Projected expenses include web site maintained, web site license renewal, printing costs of new brochures, archival work, pilot monies for law enforcement membership, and mileage expenses for a board representative to Ohio APSAC conference.

Ron Hughes mentioned to Brian that he would like to see our Ohio logo on the information for a Conference in Summit County sponsored through the Akron regional training center. A national APSAC trainer is coming in for training - Rob Parrish - he is an attorney. Date is March 23 and 24, 2011, titled, "Everything You Need to Know About Serious Physical Child Abuse and Child Homicide." No money is needed as a co-sponsor. We will ask Summit county members if they can sit at a table. Linda suggested putting the date on the web site. Brian will place the information on the website.

Jill suggested that Gail Hornor will also send her information to Brian about her presentation on Child Abuse at the national conference at National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP) in Chicago in March 2010.

**Treasurers report:**

5/24/2020 deposit from APSAC from grant awarding \$975.00 = \$4543.72

8/18/2010 \$150 archival work

9/17/2010 \$425. Stallio group (web site)

\$3968.72 is the current balance

Jill asked Linda, to ask APSAC to consider sponsoring a table at the national conference of NAPNAP in March 2011. This may give publicity that may trickle down to the state chapters.

Linda will contact Ryan to ask what license needs to be renewed for the web site operation.

Approval of minutes: Mark motioned and Gail seconded approval of the September minutes. All in approval.

Dates of 2011 OHPSAC board meetings at the Nationwide Child Advocacy Center:

March 10

June 9<sup>th</sup>

September 8<sup>th</sup>

December 8<sup>th</sup>

Meeting adjourned at 11:27.

One announcement of interest:

The grand opening of the new child advocacy center, the *Center for Family Solutions* (CFS) is Dec 16<sup>th</sup>. The CFS is a non-profit organization that brings together, under one roof, existing resources in Butler County to help families dealing with child abuse and domestic violence. The center provides a child-focused, family-friendly environment where law enforcement, social workers, and advocates work with children and their families. Our goal is to minimize child and family stress while maximizing outcomes with hope, restoration, and healing.

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Respectfully submitted,

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