

SSWLHC Board Meeting

March 20, 2009

12:00-1:00 pm, 1800 Harrison

Present	Peggy Pettit, Chris Lehr, Karen Kavanagh, Catherine Geraty-Hoag, Susan Haikalis, Betsy Schenk, Nancy Jacobsen, Diane Malek, Marcia Luster, Ann Segovia
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	Topic	Discussion / Conclusion	Action / Follow-up
I.	President's Report	Since Sylvia Barroso could not be available today-President's Report will be deferred.	
II.	President-Elect Report	<p>Ann Segovia reported out on the upcoming educational topics.</p> <p>The next event will be on May 15, 2009 and the speaker is still to be determined. Location is Children's Oakland. Catherine Geraty-Hoag suggested Pauline Chen from Stanford or Karen Hood-Johnson, who could present on Neurobiology of the Developing Brain.</p> <p>September 18, 2009 will be at Shriner's in Sacramento, and JanLee Wong, Executive Director of NASW California Chapter, and Paul Riches, Executive Director of the BBSE, are confirmed to speak. JanLee Wong on the legislative agenda of NASW, and Paul Riches on sanctioning LCSWs, ASWs, and MFT/interns, as well as licensure, scope of practice issues for LCSW, and exams issues. Peggy also suggested including Gerry Esposito, Executive Director for the California Society for Clinical Social Work.</p> <p>Hoarding behavior, which was an intended CEU topic, was originally intended for May. However, it has been suggested by Kathy O'Brien that we might want to do an all-day conference on this subject since there seemed to be a lot of interest in the topic and we already have several potential speakers. Due to the time needed to plan such a conference, the group agreed that the November 20th meeting could be used for the conference date. Catherine Geraty-Hoag, Marcia Luster, Diane Malek, Sylvia Barroso, and Betsy Schenk volunteered to participate in the planning of the event.</p>	<p>Ann Segovia will get the information from Catherine Geraty-Hoag about the possible speakers for May and November.</p> <p>Peggy Pettit will contact Gerry Esposito about her availability on 9/18/09.</p> <p>Ann Segovia will schedule a date, time, and conference call number for planning of the conference on hoarding.</p>
III.	Membership Report	Diane Malek reported that we have 37 members to date. There are some previous members who have not renewed, and she asked those present to ask in contacting those on her list who had not yet responded. After discussion as a group, it was agreed that those who have not paid their dues would be dropped off of the group distribution list.	Each of those present agreed to call specified individuals by the next meeting regarding continuing their membership in 2009.

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IV.	DRG-Medical Social Work Certificate	Nancy Jacobsen announced that DRG will be hosting the 3-day intensive workshop for the Medical Social Work certificate program on April 17 th , 24 th , and May 1 st . Flyers distributed. Members were not interested in participating with any local Social Work schools regarding the event.	Please encourage people to attend.
V.	Treasurer's Report	Ann Segovia reported that, per Linda Mahoney, the current balance in the account is \$12743.67. No other major expenses/revenues to report at this time. Currently speaker fees have been the primary expense, and the honorarium fee was discussed as a minimum of \$300, maximum of \$400 for 3 hrs. Maximum fee had been decided at the December meeting as well as increasing the CEU time to 3 hrs rather than 2.5 hrs. Group discussed having members donate their speaking fees rather than be paid honorariums. September speakers are expected to have no costs associated with their time.	Speaker fees to be negotiated based on range agreed.
VI.	Chapter Unification with National SSWLHC	<p>Tony Yamamoto updated the group about the most recent discussions nationally on chapter unification with national SSWLHC. Conference call for Chapter Presidents is scheduled for 3/31/09 with a guest attorney to address tax implications. Additional discussion will be held at the national conference.</p> <p>Primary discussion points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local chapters need to choose between National or remaining separate by August 2009. • Should chapter decide to unify with national SSWLHC, there is a one-time fee of \$1600 for group filing under IRS 990. • Transition would occur in 2010, with everyone becoming a national member. Increased dues are not charged until 2011. • Local chapter still can earn own revenue, and a portion of dues collected will be given back to the local chapter by National. <p>Board agreed that, prior to the May 18th meeting, the group should reconvene to discuss the recommendation to the chapter members based on the information presented.</p>	Plan is for the board to schedule a meeting between the National Conference week ending 4/26/09 and 5/15/09 in order to have information available to local members.
VII.	Donation(s) to Social Work Health Leadership Foundation	Marcia Luster brought up the topic of the amount of the annual donation to the Social Work Health Leadership Foundation. Motion was made to increase the amount from \$250 to \$500, all voted to approve. Speaker fee for Tony Yamamoto will be donated to the foundation as well.	Ann Segovia will notify Linda Mahoney of the donation amount prior to the national conference at

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			the end of next month.
VIII.	National Conference	Topic of an informal get-together of the North/South Chapters at the conference was brought up. Group agreed to an evening happy hour with joint discussion for those attending. Dinner reservations for Thursday/Friday nights need to be scheduled due to other events that week.	Ann Segovia will make reservations for 10 for Thursday and Friday nights.
IX.	Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 1:45pm.	