

CONFERENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

9-14-2007

CHULA VISTA RESORT

Call to order 9:40a.m.

Present: Jaci, Edie, Janet, Marjean, Mark, Sherri, Tim, Faith and Cheryl

Excused: Fred, Jim

Secretary's report: Correction to spelling of Edie's last name, correction to grammar for the WSSA theme. Motion to approve: Jaci, second by Edie.

Treasurer's report: Still awaiting Holly Jackson's end of event report from Elkhart Lake conference.

Budget for 2007/2008 Conference: Janet passed out budget outlines to all in attendance. We received \$1500 from exec and Janet set up a checking account and ordered checks. Jane Carroll may be able to do flowers for May's conference at a cost of \$91.20 or so. Plan to keep cost at \$150- \$125 for the conference, \$25 towards membership. Budget \$700 for music. Buttons: no cost set yet. Electric for vendors: \$25 Motion to approve: Faith, second by Cheryl.

December Training: Edie gave report. Registration will be open from 8:30-9a.m. Sue Nagelkerk, Sauk Co. UWEX Family Living Educator will present: Bridges Out of Poverty from 9a.m.- 12noon. Communicating With the Purse Strings will be held from 1-4p.m. Ron Kind-US Rep 3rd District, Dale Schultz State Senator District 17, State Rep Doc Hines District 42, State Rep Steve Hilgenberg District 51, Bev Ward Adams Co. Board Co-chair are saying they will attend. Still working on some others to round out the panel or in case someone cancels. Tim called his "boss", Jim Nitz- VP of Kaiser Group, and Jim will act as facilitator for the panel discussion. On the mid-year registration form, we will ask for people to submit questions in advance with their registration for the panel. Mark suggests we have at least 7-20 questions ready to go – also suggests the panel not get too large. Cost to be \$25 per person which will include lunch of deli-sandwich buffet with salads and soup. KUDOS to Edie for all her hard work!

Tour: Conference Planning Committee took tour of entire Chula Vista resort including indoor water park and condo unit- this was done by Renata- she is our Chula Vista contact person.

Workshops/Tracks: There will be tracks for ESS,W-2, Social Workers, Clerical/Support staff and Administration. Still checking into opening speakers. Tim Gard may be over-used as he's spoken several times in past and his fee is higher plus he wants travel/airfare costs. Edie is attempting contact with Pete Cicero from Cicero Endeavors. Several other options mentioned for opening and closing speakers. Ideas needed for Past Presidents luncheon.

Ideas for workshops: repeat Bridges out of Poverty –need 2 sessions for that. Badger Care Plus, Seniorcare, ADRC's, LT Support- Sharon Ryan?, Dealing with the Angry Client – Madison Police Dept.?, Internet Predators- Marjean will contact Linda Sweet for name of past presenter, Self Care- Savannah Kline. Edie mentioned Jackie Millar from LaValle area- she was shot and left for dead by 2 young men only to survive and now is speaker –Cheryl will research and contact Jackie about speaking.

Theme Night: Connie Cool and Cool Nancy will provide karaoke entertainment-cost is \$300. Will have a “WSSA Idol” contest with voting and prizes. Looking into getting Swing Crew for banquet night at cost unknown at this time.

Nametags: Mark presented several ideas and Sherri shared some as well.

Gift: Royal blue fleece blanket embroidered with WSSA in white- Janet will bring sample of blanket to next meeting- hope to keep cost at around \$7.50 each. Edie has an e-mail in at work to see if we can purchase a surplus of blankets her agency had bought for volunteer gifts and never used.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting is 10-19-07 9:30a.m. at Chula Vista

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Woltman

Secretary