

ATM Board Meeting Katy, TX 2/05/17

Board Members Present

Paula Davis
Cheryl West Gaspard
Cathy Rude
Vicky Wells
Nanci Stanley
Ashley King
Claudine Crews
Joi Brock (by phone)
Donna Miller (by phone)
Kelly Miller (by phone)
Brielle Epstein (by phone at 4:12pm)

Board Members Absent

Anna Ochoa
Brielle Epstein
Kris Hohlt

Visitors/Staff

Kelli Beaty

1:28 pm – Paula Davis called meeting to order.

Minutes kept by Cheryl West Gaspard

Agenda Item: Meeting Minutes

Minutes for November read and corrections made. Cathy moved to accept. Paula second. Approved with no opposition.

Agenda Item: Regional Reports

Regional Reports were reviewed and any questions/issues discussed. Cheryl moved to accept all as submitted, Paula second. Approved with none opposed. All Regional Reports are available from the ATM office or from the Regional Representative.

Cathy proposed removing Anna Ochoa from the board due to non-attendance but ATM will maintain communication with her Region and look for a replacement. Her non-attendance affects board's ability to conduct business. Second from Cheryl. Passed with none opposed.

Agenda Item: Education Report

Budget proposal discussed in depth. Cathy proposes approve budget as submitted. Paula second. Passed with none opposed.

Education Report reviewed. Moodle going well.

Reopened budget discussion. Added column for Contract Labor (school) of \$4200 and adjusted all other totals accordingly. Proposed by Paula. Second by Cheryl. Passed with none opposed.

Education prerequisites caused major drop in enrollment (only 26 this year).

Proposed changes to ATMMTP enrollment process (by Kelly):

1. Eliminate all current educational requirements for enrollment in the ATM Midwifery Training Program other than that required by Texas Midwifery Rules (high school or equivalent). Replace with required essay as part of

the application. At least 3 committee members will evaluate the applicant's ability to follow instructions and writing skills. Proposed acceptance by Paula. Second by Cathy. Approved with none opposed.

2. Applicant will send application fee with application, non-refundable. Tuition is due within 7 days of acceptance. Notification will be via email. Proposed acceptance by Cathy. Second by Paula. Approved with none opposed.

Letter from member read asking for clarification on travel expense reimbursement for instructors and workshop coordinators. Paula proposes reimbursement for mileage from home to the workshop and back for instructors and coordinators. Any additional expenses must be preapproved by Claudine. Second by Vicky and Cathy. Approved with none opposed. Kelly will send out this policy to those affected.

Agenda Item: Proposal for Online CEU's

From Pam Holland, "I propose that we delete the restriction of 4 online ATM CEUs per person per year." Propose to be accepted by Paula. Second by Cheryl. Passed with none opposed.

2:46pm – 2:53pm Break

Agenda Item: Education (continued)

Letter sent to Region 4 Reps from an ATM member read to the Board regarding ATM Conference fees for students not enrolled in the ATMMTP and allowing other midwifery training programs to purchase booth space at the conference. Decision made to clarify registration classification allowing the student discount to apply to all ATM Student Members that are currently enrolled in a training program and/or active apprenticeship.

Will not be able to open booth space up to other programs as it's a conflict of interest with ATMMTP.

Leader sent to ATMMTP c/o Paula Davis from an ATM Member read to the board regarding how ATMMTP handles complaints/accusations against ATMMTP students, specifically in regards to providing clinical care without supervision. Discussion of laws and policies regarding federal student privacy rights and communication with preceptors. Paula and Cathy will draft response letter.

Agenda Item: Legislative Report

Paula sharing information from Roland re expectations for 2017 Legislative Session.

Discussion of bill presented by Vicky.

Brielle participating by phone @4:12pm.

Discussion of status of Texans for Midwifery.

Regional Reps will encourage and evaluate climate for consumer participation.

Agenda Item: Conference Report

Paula and Vicky presenting report. Sun April 30 – Tues May 2 at Camp Allen. Rebekah Dekker will be Keynote.

Request to have 2018 Conference in Region 5. Region 5 Reps will discuss requirements with Paula.

All Regional Reps required to bring Auction Items.

Proposal to pay \$20 an hour to Lisa Rutledge for conference work. Proposed by Paula. Second by Cathy. Passed with none opposed.

Agenda Item: Treasury Report

Presented by Vicky. Reviewed Treasurer's Report. Balance of Paulette Griffin Fund is \$5062 and is continuing to grow and be available to students.

Proposal to change name of Paulette Griffin Fund to Midwifery Memorial Fund. Proposed by Paula. Second by Nanci. Passed with none opposed.

Agenda Item: Website Report

Presented by Kelly. Discussion of Paypal glitch with city entry on payment. Discussion of communication necessary to make changes and updates/add members. Request to streamline that process.

Agenda Item: TDLR Report

Paula read report/update. Penalty Matrix has been created. Expert witnesses are called to speak to attorneys. Expert witness will be Midwives or Advisory Board Members. Still opportunities for the midwife with the complaint to speak with TDLR regarding their case. Penalty Matrix assigns a dollar amount to infractions. Education and chart review will also be a part of enforcement. Standard of Care group discussed Guidelines and the fact that they are not enforceable unless they are placed in the Rules. Will be taking a new look at the ICA. TDLR likes plan-talk and removal of legalese and consistency of meaning across disciplines.

Agenda Item: Office Report

Report from Kelli Beaty. Discussion regarding creating a mechanism on website to connect available students with available preceptors.

Agenda Item: Schedule Future Meetings

Board and General at Conference May 1st

Board Meeting Aug 13th in DFW

Agenda Item: Member Comments – Member comments were accepted and addressed as much as possible during meeting. Open time for comments at end of meeting.

All regional and committee reports are filed with ATM office and available if requested.

6:33pm – Paula Davis adjourned meeting.