

OALPRP BOARD MEETING
Columbus Zoo Education Center
MINUTES
September 16, 2004

Present: Courtney Comstock, Ashley DeFrancisco, Kim Hildreth, Julie Hykes, Marti Kolb-Connor (arrived at 11:48), Don Krieger, Judi Mannion, Linda Morckel, Joanne Mudra, Paulie Shaffer, Linda Wuethrich.

Excused: Patty Bratton, Sue Magness, Sondra Yates.

Call to Order: President Kim Hildreth called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the June executive board and membership meetings were e-mailed to board members. One correction to the executive board minutes was made to reflect that Judi Mannion was present. One correction was made to the minutes of the membership meeting to reflect that Marti Kolb was absent and Joanne Mudra gave the Conference Committee report. **Joanne Mudra moved to accept the minutes of the executive board meeting as corrected. Ashley DeFrancisco seconded. Motion carried. Courtney Comstock moved to accept the minutes of the membership meeting as corrected. Linda Wuethrich seconded. Motion carried.** Linda Morckel reported that the membership currently consists of 75 agencies/216 people.

Treasurer's Report: Don Krieger reported that OALPRP shows a net gain from the summer conference in Canton. He and Morckel will compare receipts and expenses to double check figures. The balance in the checking account was \$8,331.42. There are two CD's valued at \$5,000.00 each that are worth \$13,530.24 with interest, for a total net worth of \$21,861.66. **Judi Mannion moved to accept the treasurer's report as submitted. Julie Hykes seconded. Motion carried.**

Finance Committee: Chair Linda Wuethrich distributed the final tally from the silent auction in June. Including the OSU football, \$1,160.00 was raised for the scholarship fund. The finance committee will meet in November.

Conference Committee: Chair Marti Kolb-Connor reported that possible sites for future summer conferences include Geneva-on-the-Lake in Ashtabula County and Marietta in Washington County. She is attempting to get a few vendors for the Winter Meeting, including Point Beach Outdoors or "It's in the Bag." Members attending the tour of Krasco will be permitted to shop at wholesale prices. Those on the Longaberger tour may choose to make either tissue boxes or chore baskets. Sessions include working with people with disabilities and conservation of natural resources. One session is still needed. Information regarding special recycling programs (such as those for batteries and ink jet cartridges) will be made available the first evening at Cherry Valley. The evening will also include traditional networking activities.

Scholarship Committee: Chair Paulie Shaffer distributed the new scholarship brochure which will be found on the OALPRP website. Information regarding the 2004 winner is on the website. C.R. "Dick" Meyers' widow will be invited to attend the next presentation in Union County.

Membership Committee: Chair Judi Mannion presented the new membership brochure for board approval. **Joanne Mudra moved to approve the new brochure. Don Krieger seconded. After discussion, motion carried with one nay vote.**

Nominating Committee: Chair Joanne Mudra has been talking to members and is developing a list of those she may approach about being on the board.

Website: Vice-president Julie Hykes reported that our agreement with the webmaster is that changes are to be made only every few months to minimize costs. Any changes to be made should be sent to Julie by October 1 so the webmaster can receive them in one large list.

Liaison Report

There was no report, as Sondra Yates was absent.

Old Business

Partner's Conference: President Kim said that the planning committee for the Partner's Conference has made an increased effort to offer sessions for educators. An Education Resource Fair is being planned in conjunction with the conference, and volunteers are needed to offer up to 15 displays on special activities they wish to share. A discussion ensued, and a list of potential volunteers was developed.

Della Ewalt Memorial Award: Kolb-Connor suggested that a memorial brick be purchased at the Columbus Zoo in memory of Della. She expects that a KAB national award will be named for Della within the next few years. Hykes notified the board that the Eastern Ohio Solid Waste Professionals would offer for sale a basket with a "slumped bottle" cheeseboard. Ten percent of the sales will go to a "Della Fund." EOSWP has not yet decided how the "Della Fund" will be spent.

New Business

No new business was brought forth.

Courtney Comstock moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ashley DeFrancisco. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Secretary Linda Morckel