

RAEYC Minutes  
July 23, 2008

Members Present: Tammy Bock, Cindy Johnson, Whitney Leathers, Ginny Saiz, Margaret Oberg, Kimber Craig, Tiffany Jackson, Mariah Wedemeyer

Members Absent: Stephanie Wyatt

Meeting opened at approximately 6:00 p.m.

May 2008 Minutes approved with 1 correction – “Development, Recruitment” within the Presidents report needs to be “resource development”

### **President’s Report:**

October 10-11<sup>th</sup> will be RAEYC/NevAEYC training in conjunction with TEACH. Friday the 10<sup>th</sup> will be a training for administrators featuring Bob Segal from Easter Seals. Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> will be a training for all providers from Bev Boss. The cost will be \$45 per person and includes two workshops taking place at UNR. Details are available at [nevaeyc.org](http://nevaeyc.org). This event is considered the professional development day that will be conducted every year in the city opposite of the conference. Margaret, Cindy and Whitney are on the professional development committee for NevAEYC and will be assisting with this event. Margaret will forward Sue Turbows emails to Whitney about this event.

Bev Boss’s partner, Tom Hunter passed away June 10<sup>th</sup>. Tiffany will include one of his poems or songs in the RAEYC newsletter.

Open board positions:

- RAEYC needs to create a nominating committee for open board positions. Margaret will be on the committee.
- A nomination form needs to be created and added to the RAEYC newsletter with a list of open positions. The position details can be posted on the website.
- Ginny can also email nominations to RAEYC email list
- The deadline for nominations will be September 15.
- The board will create a ballot at the Oct 1<sup>st</sup> board meeting which will be sent out in the November newsletter and due back by December 1<sup>st</sup>.
- In the case that two people run for the same position, the board will have positions or committee opportunities available for the person that does not get the position.
- The board needs to recruit people for the open positions. Ginny suggested asking people in person may help. We also need to look into recruiting K-2 teachers. Ginny will approach Holy Child’s summer receptionist about the treasurer position. Tiffany will mention open board positions at Cabinet orientations.
- It is noted that the family childcare network is having trouble filling their board positions as well.

- Discussion is held about the Vice President role and position. Margaret views it as a position close to the member at large position. The position can be molded to be about what the individual is interested in. The Vice President must also be able to help with public policy, other members, and the president.

Interim Vice President: As Stephanie Wyatt has stepped down prior to her term ending a vice president is needed to fill in until January 2009. Whitney is able to do this as long as she is not needed to attend NevAEYC Board meetings, as she is NevAEYC staff.

Margaret will still be able to attend NevAEYC Board meetings so this is not a problem. If Whitney fills the Vice President spot until January Kimber Craig will step into the Secretary position until then. The board voted and this is approved. Whitney will fill in as VP until January and Kimber will assume the Secretary position.

Discussion is held about filling the Vice President position permanently. Tiffany may be interested but will not know until closer to that time.

### **Member at Large Report:**

Tiffany is producing the next newsletter and will include the Oct 10-11 professional development day. Whitney will send Tiffany information about 2009 NevAEYC Conference and TEACH/Apprenticeship. Tiffany is passing the PO Box key to Kimber. Tiffany will contact the board via email for help preparing the newsletter.

### **Professional Development Report:**

Cindy attended WSLN and found it to be a great conference. Next year WSLN is in Asilimar June 24-28 and it would be great to get the whole RAEYC Board to attend. The focus this year was on leadership and membership ideas that Cindy will share with Mariah. Some states give personal phone calls to welcome new members. WSLN also offered relaxing opportunities like holding sessions at a park with a catered dinner and hiking. Lakeshore Learning was very involved in other states AEYC's and RAEYC should look into this. In some states Lakeshore will even sponsor dinners. Cindy emailed the local Lakeshore contact and has not heard back yet. She will try to contact him again.

Directors Luncheons: July 22 in Reno with 4 people attending: La Petite in Sparks, Kindercare in Sparks, and Le' Petite/Brookfield. The next Directors Luncheon is in Carson City on Sept 9 with a possible ABC topic. The holiday Directors Luncheon will be December 9 at Austin's.

Elko training day: may not happen because of time constraints. In the future RAEYC could work with TEACH to put this on. TEACH needs to travel to Elko for scholarship support so TEACH could pay for a room so the trip is not so rushed in one day. Another possible collaboration is with UNR cooperative extension.

### **Treasurers Report:**

