



RAEYC MINUTES

Reno Association for the Education of Young Children

September 19, 2007

In attendance: Margaret Oberg (President), Stephanie Wyatt (Vice President), Tiffany Jackson (Secretary), Stephanie Simpson (Member-at-Large), Ginny Saiz (Resource Development Coordinator), Mariah Wedemeyer (Membership and Recruitment Coordinator), Cheryl Price (Professional Development Coordinator).

I. Minutes – Board approved.

II. Professional Development Coordinator's Report-

- Update on Provider Social In October in Carson City- Talked to Rebecca Gonzales, she is asking for approval by the Public Health Department. Some confusion about the location, Carson might be difficult. Cheryl will look into whether Ms. Gonzales can do Carson. The topic for the training will be new guidelines for excluding children with communicable diseases. Cheryl will look into if Sherry Rice can offer training about the health insurance as well. Margaret suggested that the training information can be placed in a state wide NevAEYC mailer. Cheryl will call tomorrow.

<ADD> Betsy Fox needs a copy of the flyer for the 2007 Hopes and Dreams event needed for tax exemption, Margaret also needs the flyer from the Director's Luncheon. The information was needed yesterday. Stephanie S. will email them to Margaret.

III. President's Report-

1. State Retreat / State Board Meeting– Margaret will send minutes, there will be caucus training for the State of Nevada, Democrats are asking for interest from the ECE communities for representation to the Candidates. Debbie Smith will be email about this also. Margaret briefly discussed the Every Child Matters Campaign. Stephanie Wyatt brought resources from the ECM meeting and shirts for the RAEYC board. Margaret supplied the candidate's positions. January 19th is the Caucus date. State Board Meeting Report: NevAEYC positions up for election; President, VP, Treasurer, Coordinator of Communication and Development and VP of Public Policy. State reviewed their goals, including lack of membership renewals, could we track why people are not renewing? Some feedback has been that the rural members are not getting information unless they get "hard copies". The state is looking at alternative ways to access these communities. Ideas include sponsoring a bulletin board, or public access television, utilizing marketing students from UNR (ask SMS), etc. *Train the Trainer* trainings will be coming for Guidance and SIDS. Crystal would like the RAEYC monthly minutes emailed to her so Tiffany will take care of it.
2. Review of Goals to be accomplished by Dec. 31, 2007 to be sent by email.
3. Nomination Committee- Should be three people, only one needs to a board member. Mariah will be that person with help from Margaret. Ballots must go out by the beginning of November.

<ADD> Margaret shared a few NAEYC materials she received in the mail.

IV. Treasurers Report- Tammy out. Stephanie supplied the group with email from Tammy. Ginny reported that Judy is working on the individual budgets and will be completed shortly.

V. Secretary's Report- nothing to report at this time.

VI. Vice President's Report-

- Mixer – Around 30 RSVPs were received, expect more to show up. Margaret will do the welcome. Raffle tickets will be sold that night. Stephanie collected lots of great prizes! Should we include the NAEYC comprehensive membership publications? Purple shirts will be sold. Mariah reported that there were no phone numbers for the members to be recognized tomorrow night. She was not able to make the personal invitations. Stephanie W. will create a sign in sheet so that we can recognize names. Need NAYC membership flyers or brochures.
- Public Policy report- reviewed current legislation related to the children in Nevada. Stephanie will hold report if anyone is interested.

VII. Membership Coordinator's Report-

- Could not figure out phone numbers (see mixer), just a few established members. Ginny had some ideas about recognizing the members in a different way. Margaret had ideas about icebreakers.
- Still working in membership letters.

VIII. Member at Large's Report-

- Regarding the marketing tool, Stephanie passed a form soliciting for feedback for what to be included. Should we include a power point? The group discussed what we would include in it. Mariah suggested that we have a power point for potential membership and one for potential donors. Stephanie will email the form as well. Mariah suggested that we attend more fairs etc, for membership and use the power point as a tool.

VIV. SMS- No representation by SMS at these meetings.

VV. Resource Development Coordinator's Report-

- Prospective dates for gift wrapping event: One Sat. in November during the Craft Faire, would be great exposure; we could do this if there are people willing to give up a Saturday during the holidays. Or December 15th. at Meadowood Mall. Many prefer the Craft Faire or a weekend in late November rather than near Christmas. Should we have the wrap donated, or should we purchase?

VVI. Accreditation Chair Report- No representation by our accreditation chair at this meeting.

VVII. ECE Celebration Chair Report-

- Two weeks ago Kayelynn and Cindy Martinez and Rebecca met. Decided that the motto "Nevada works because Child Care Works". Kayelynn is creating a new binder since the last one was lost; the group decided that the focus the biggest thing is to honor the providers who work with our children every day. Rebecca reviewed the letter that Kayelynn drafted. Kayelynn has spoken to the Sienna and they are only able to commit to the third 21 and fourth 28 Thursday. Kayelynn will be at the next meeting. Rebecca feels that Kayelynn feels very confident. They decided to use Baudville awards not used last year, just focus on the category instead of the symbol (starfish etc.) All categories for awards will stay the same except that they decided to eliminate the foster parent category because the foster care providers have their own supportive entity. The social worker position description is broader. There are no additions. There will be no runner up or co-winners. The childcare workforce study has been updated; perhaps the keynote speaker could be related to the child care profession and ECE advocacy. No emails or pictures were sent. Display stats about children being cared for each day and families, parents working etc. to be included in the nomination form. The format of the nomination form will be very similar to last year. Ballots will be mailed out in December and sending out a reminder card in January. Will have to place an order with Baudville to supplement what was left over, still need a few. What do we do with the rest of the pins/card? Rebecca was unsure how many were left from last year, Kayelynn has the box. Perhaps they can just be scattered on the tables as decoration. Ginny suggested that they follow the Oregon AEYC chapter followed timeline.

VVIII. Items not on the Agenda and future items- No additional items at this time.

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 17, 2007

Place: The Professional Development Center - Reno

Time: 5:45pm

Food: Mariah