

Board Members Present

- Johnson, Cindy
- Craig, Kimber
- Mohr, Sharon
- Oberg, Margaret
- Leathers, Whitney
- Baerwaldt, Erin
- Cohen, Lisa

Visitor Present

- Wirth, Jane

Agenda: Provided by Margaret Oberg, President

- I. Minutes from August meeting – read and approve
- II. President’s Report – Highlights of NevAEYC Board retreat; Student scholarships; Congrats on success of summer family events -Reconcile Wild Waters expenses; Decision on possible RAEYC Board retreat; NevAEYC Committee assignments for RAEYC Board positions
- III. Treasurer’s Report
- IV. Secretary’s Report – Correspondence? ; Update Interaction Log; Current RAEYC Board Roster
- V. Membership Report -Update on plans for next mixer; Report on activity on Facebook and My Space; Letters to expiring membership candidates?
- VI. Student Membership Report – Welcome, Lisa!
- VII. Educational Development Report – Update on plans for Mini Conference in November; Report on Director’s Lunch on Sept. 18th
- VIII. Member at Large Report – Newsletter progress
- IX. Items not on agenda and future items

I: Approve minutes from last two meetings

- Minutes from August 12, 2009 meeting were reviewed and approved
- Minutes from the July meeting were not mentioned.

II: President’s Report

- Margaret welcomed Lisa Cohen the UNR Student Group President. Introductions were made.
- Elections and open positions discussed
 - RAEYC Secretary position becomes available in December
 - ECE Celebration chair is open
- Nevada Teacher of the Year discussed:

At the Nevada AEYC retreat, the board decided to have an annual teacher of the year award. They would like the affiliate groups (RAEYC and SNAEYC) to assist in advertising and choosing of two nominees each year (one from the south and one from the north). Details are as follows:

- This year RAEYC and SNAEYC will advertise for the teacher of the year award in the winter. However, in upcoming years the nominee from Northern Nevada will be the winner of the teacher award from the ECE Celebration.
- The two finalists will be sent to NevAEYC conference where the final winner will be announced. The winner will receive a trip to the upcoming fall NAEYC conference.
- Discussion was had about RAEYC board members going out to nominee's centers to help decide the winner. Cindy voiced concern about this process and ensuring that the criteria used to rate these teachers is research based. It was also stated that this process may help to diversify the nominations and winners.
- The NevAEYC Retreat was discussed: NevAEYC retreat was held at Zephyr Point Presbyterian Center, September 17-18. NevAEYC board members and T.E.A.C.H. staff members attended.
 - Presentations and topics included: the importance of play, an activity about conservation, elections (NevAEYC open positions include: treasurer elect, public policy chair, president elect, VP of communication and technology), group rates at conference (groups of 50+ will receive a 10% discount), member retention, NevAEYC standing committees, and student scholarships
 - NevAEYC Committees will be given time at the end of each NevAEYC meeting to report or work on projects. The standing NevAEYC Committees that include RAEYC Board members are as follows:
 - Communication and Technology – RAEYC secretary serves on this
 - Educational Development – RAEYC Education Development person serves on this
 - Resource Development – RAEYC Resource Development person serves on this
 - Student scholarships are available through a grant from Crystal and Jim Swank. Scholarship applications are available at nevaeyc.org.
- RAEYC Board Retreat: The November RAEYC meeting will be a retreat. The board will meet on Saturday November 14 from 10-2 at Margaret's house to set goals and work on the budget.

III: Treasurer's Report

- GSR should be crediting RAEYC around \$900 for an overcharge during the ECE Celebration
- May-July income statement passed around. Sharon was unable to view and print online. Margaret will print out the treasurers report each meeting.
- July balance \$3600 (+900 from GSR) = total \$4500
- Kimber inquired about her budget for membership, Sharon will get her that information.
- Cindy mentioned that Marti has a \$500 budget for accreditation lunches, but won't need it all

IV: Secretary's Report

- Communication log passed around and filled in
- Roster has been updated and will be emailed out with minutes

V: Membership Report

- Labels are now accurate, the expiration date needed to be adjusted when pulling labels from NAEYC. There are currently 324 people with labels. 259 current members, 52 comprehensive, 160 regular, and 47 student members.
- Facebook fan page is up and going. Kimber will get the link forwarded to members and board members.
- The next mixer is scheduled for Oct 22 from 6-8 pm at the Cadillac Ranch at Legends in Sparks. Kimber will see if the Cadillac Ranch will donate a \$25 gift card as a raffle prize, RAEYC will also give away RAEYC tee shirts.
- Kimber will also begin sending letters to members whose memberships are about to expire

VI: Student Membership Report – Welcome Lisa!

- UNR Student member section had their first meeting on Sept 20th. Lisa reported that Sunday nights worked much better for their group. The group discussed their goals for the year. Some of these goals included doing library times, fundraising, and possible children's fair. Lisa is also hoping to work with the Pre-K players to collaborate for a show. They will be doing a portfolio workshop for students this fall as well. Lisa also reported that they have one male in their club this year as well.
- The group discussed the UNR Student Groups Children's fair and thought it would be a great idea if they could do the fair at the marina in conjunction with the Walk for Children (see below).

VII: Educational Development Report

- Rechelle was not present but Cindy reported that the Directors lunch flyer went out
- Margaret discussed that most directors on SNAEYC board are not members so this is a good place to do outreach
- Accreditation lunches were discussed
- Mini conference registration will be going out soon

VIII: Member at Large Report

- Erin collected the rest of the information needed for the newsletter at the meeting and it should be ready to print by next week
- Sylvan has taken out an ad for 4 newsletters

IX: Other Business

The Walk for Children discussed:

The walk will be Sunday April 11th. It was discussed and UNR will be in charge of the children's activities and vendors at the Walk for Children. Lisa said they would like to invite Jump Man Jump, a Magician, ECE resources such as Virtual Pre-K and Born Learning, RAVE, and the St. Marys Vaccination van. Lisa also mentioned she had a connection with PIF who may provide transportation to the Walk for low income areas. Cindy mentioned inviting centers to get the kids there and each center could bring an activity. Sharon suggested that we also charge for booths. And invite trucks such as fire engines and a school jazz band

Cindy reported on the Accreditation lunch:

People from the outlying areas attended the last one and it went well.

They will tour schools at the lunches and may do a webinar next time either by distance or at the PDC computer lab

Cindy reported on the Family First Conference:

They are doing child care for that day and UNR student members can volunteer to do this
