BDAI Board Meeting | MINUTES

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Meeting Called By | Tom Bousamra | **Board Members Present**: Tom Bousamra, Ruth Anderson, Ruth Cilke, David Clinton, Toni Stanfield, Darcie Pickren, Nancy Bryant, Jill Zofia, Charles Rand  **Board Members Absent**: Diana Bauer, Mary Beth Novak  **Guest**: Cindy Garwood |
| Type of Meeting | Monthly Meeting |
| Facilitator | Tom Bousamra |
| Secretary | Ruth Cilke |

August 20, 2019| 6:00pm | CRS Office, 2240 South Airport Rd. Traverse City, Michigan

Approval of June 18, 2019 Minutes: Charles Rand motion to approve, Ruth Anderson seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasurer’s report**: Current balance $3968.36.

**Guest Presentation**: Cindy Garwood shared some highlights from her travels associated with the topic of restorative justice practices.

**Administration/ Tom Bousamra**

* **Grant writing update:** Rotary Charities grant is due 8/26/19. Unfortunately, the 2% tribal grant money was not gifted to BDAI.
* **Board Member Change:** Deb Zerafa is moving to Arizona. Ruth Ann made motion to remove her as member of the BDAI Board. Toni seconded. Motion carried. New Board Members? Agreement to create a nominating committee to convene after the October 3 event.
* **MISC:** Vinyl skirt for a BDAI table will be ready by October 3.

Tom is communicating with Kathy Sanders regarding 2 BDAI Facebook links.

BDAI business cards are being printed

Tom is seeking a scholarship for a one week course on restorative justice at Loyola University, October 20-25.

* **Mentor (Coach) training Subcommittee:**  Planning continues for a training session for coaches who will be assisting inmates being released. The training will occur September 27th. The Housing component is tabled until additional funding can be procured. Tom will contact Pastor Marybeth at First Baptist regarding space to have monthly supervisory meetings. Charles will resend to Ruth and Jill any coach applications that came through our g-mail account.
* **Fund Raising/Development Committee:** Ruth Anderson will be joined by Joan Post Brown, Mary Beth Novak, Nancy Bryant and possibly Kathy Sanders.

**Advocacy and Communication/Charles Rand**

* The first press release for the event, created by Mike Kent, was shared at the board meeting. Darcie and Charles are proofreading for final release.
* Charles distributed a written summary of A & C committee actions. The October 3rd event is in the forefront. Ron Jolly has agreed to host for us.
* Promotion for our October 3rd event is important especially on our web page and Facebook page. In order to post something on the web page contact Kathy Sanders at 608-206-4315
* A flyer will need to be created to promote the event.
* Mike Kent will be contacting various media outlets.
* FAN (Families against Narcotics) will defer their monthly meeting October 3, 2019 and participate with BDAI for our event. Nancy made a motion that Ruth Anderson represent BDAI to the FAN board. David seconded. Motion carried. Tom will notify Bob Cooney.

**Mental Health/Toni Stanfield**

* Worked with ACLU on interviewing prosecutor to assess her position on restoration vs punishment especially for individuals with a mental illness and substance abuse.
* Presented to Consumers Advocacy Board on BDAI accomplishments
* Worked with NAMI on Presentation to providers on family needs
* Presented to the Northern Lake Community Mental Health Board advising them on needs for this community.
* Met with Jennifer Oster Coordinator of CIT program with the City Police department on how we can work on identifying people with a mental illness when crisis calls come in.

**Family Support/ Tom Bousamra**

* The next Family and Friends dinner is September 3, 2019 at First Baptist Church.

**Misc.**

* **Governor’s Task Force** on Jail and Pre-Trial Incarceration is coming to Kirkbride Hall August 23rd. Time 9:30-4:00 including public testimony**.**
* Discussion about the need for an Executive Committee to do some strategic planning for the coming year. A retreat could be considered. Sue Waechter from Cornerstone Consulting was suggested. <https://www.e-volunteerism.com/bios/waechter-sue>

**NEXT MEETING**: September 17th at 6 pm at the CRS office.