

Springfield PDI
November 15, 2008

Meeting called to order at 3:06 pm.

In attendance: Tommie Lowery, Laurie McTearnen, Brian Evans, Candace Cheatem, Ron Duncan, Erica Smith, Terri Foulkes, Miguel Jaramillo, Kimberly Wooden, Carol Peppers, Jana Ramsey, Judy Duden

Ron Duncan: PDI Update – Ron believes it was the best one yet. He’s challenged the StL crew to beat the Friday night social. Challenge accepted.

Sunday morning will be the MOSAC2 general membership meeting. The goal is to engage members. Content: board committees, TEACH scholarship, Core Competencies, Child Advocacy Day, Board Service & how to get involved with MOSAC2 or the PDI.

Ideas for making the cost of the StL PDI cheaper/still affordable even with grant & budget cuts:

- Early Bird Specials
- Discount for those who attended this PDI
- Discount for those who attend regional PDI’s
- Advertise at Child Advocacy Day, give out Save the Dates

Ultimately, the PDI cost cannot be determined until the MOSAC2 budget is set.

How to drum up interest in StL PDI now:

- Get information on-line ASAP (hotel location, room costs, etc...)
- Advertise, advertise, advertise
- E-mail “thank you” to all those who attended Springfield PDI – include discount offer for those that register for StL PDI by a certain date

Candace moves to accept the minutes from August 7th as written.

Judy Duden seconds the motion

No discussion

Motion passes

Carol Peppers will run for Treasurer. She will run unopposed on the upcoming ballot.

Elections were held up this year. Information on candidates will be sent to membership. By-Laws and Standing Rules will need to be voted on if we would like to consider letting people be elected to office without first being a member.

Suggested Board Member: David Lineberry of the Missouri School Board Association

Treasurer's Report: taxes were filed in August. Hopefully, next year they can be a little earlier. The budget looks good at the moment, but figures are unknown due to conference costs.

Sandra Pratt joined the meeting at 4:04 and the room broke out into applause.

Update for the board: MOSAC2 and MASN are having conversations about how we can partner and work on more things together. Meetings have evolved from chats to meetings with both executive boards meeting. The next step will be to figure out what we can do regionally involving the ARE's. Together we can hopefully build the leadership institute in order to have a pool of leaders to benefit the organizations. We will be examining how other states have modeled their organizational structure to see if any models fit under our needs.

Question: How can MOSAC2 get involved with Caring Communities? Is it possible to form a consortium with groups like that?

Answers/Ideas: Use our newsletter as a catalyst to sell yourself to various groups. Get groups to invite us as opposed to us inviting ourselves. Create a list serve group. Research various groups and who their contact people are.

Can we send a holiday greeting card to our members in order to create intimacy? We will take a board picture before we leave the PDI in order to create an e-card.

We need to put pictures of PDI on website and advertise it to our members.

Meeting adjourned at 4:21