

Partners Board Meeting
February 4, 2020

The board meeting was called to order at 0730 by Jan Weisensale. The WHA Auxiliary prayer was read. Roll call was taken. All members present. The secretary report was reviewed. Motion to approve minutes made by Jeri Kluesner seconded by Marlene Grunow. Motion carried. Treasurer's report reviewed and filed for audit.

Committee Reports:

Membership: There are 49 paid members.

CHE: Gratitude leads to increasing levels of optimism and other positive emotions, which will eventually help you live a longer and happier life (R. Emmons). Write down something you are grateful for every day.

PPE: Advocacy Day is March 18th in Madison. Let Jan know if you are planning to attend. Reminder to report contacts with legislators or response to HEAT ALERTS. Jeri will be going off the Board. Jan will take over PPE Committee.

Hospital Report: Shawna met with Garith. He feels that there are too many members on the Partners Board. He suggested the bylaws be amended to have a 5 member board: Past President, President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Volunteers are getting spread too thin. Plan to amend bylaws to 5 member board, provide written notice to all members, and if approved route to Governing Board for approval. Bob Zwirlein asked to be taken off the board. Plan to check with Ruth Skelly about replacing him. If she is not willing to replace, Bob will stay on board one more year.

Foundation: Denim and Diamonds La Soiree is planned for April 25th at the Barn Restaurant. Money raised will be used for expansion of Oncology services. Dueling pianos will be the entertainment. There will be volunteer opportunities. A History Wall committee has been established. Funds from La Soiree 2019 have been transferred to the OB department. Funds from the 2019 Golf Outing have been transferred to the Medical/Surgical Unit. A sewing machine has been purchased for Environmental Services.

Volunteer Coordinator: Gift Shop financials reviewed. Please sign-up for March schedule. Proposed annual budget needs to be approved before the Annual Meeting. Human Resources purchased two new laptops. One of the old ones was to be donated to Partner's Board; however, IT is checking on a better laptop for Partner's Board. Volgistics, which will allow volunteers to log in and check schedules, sign up for shifts and record hours from home or anywhere they have internet access, will be upgraded for Partners use. Volgistics will eliminate the printed time sheets. The list of volunteers for an event needs to be sent to Shawna a week in advance. The meeting with gift shop volunteers went well. A funding request may be submitted for the Run the River 5K Fun Run/Walk that is being held May 2nd in conjunction with the hospital's 5 year anniversary.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Christmas Right Here: Silent Auction was excellent. Games went OK. It was decided that a separate luncheon will not be included next year.
2. Update on Spring bus trip: A trip to Legally Blonde at Palace Theatre in Wisconsin Dells on June 25th is planned. Cost will be \$90. Sign up in Gift Shop or online will be available. Plan to get advertising out early for good event turn out.
3. Year-end reports: All reports submitted to the state.
4. Update on annual meeting: Annual meeting is planned for February 19th at Country Club. Katie Garrity will be guest speaker.
5. Status of funding requests: Wheelchair purchase on hold until Natalie returns from maternity leave, since someone needs to own this project. Feeding tube belt and tummy time pillow have been purchased and given to family.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Reassignment of Committee Chairs: Jeri has requested not to chair any committees. Ginger will take over Uniform Committee. Rita will chair Annual and Semi-annual meeting with Jeri's help. Jan will take over PPE.
2. Sign-up for dessert of the month- Bob will do August and Ginger will do July. All months are complete now.
3. Blood drive: Blood drive is February 25th 12 - 5 p.m.
4. Advocacy Day: Advocacy Day is March 18th. Inform Jan if you are planning to attend.
5. Easter Bake Sale: The Easter Bake Sale will be held Thursday April 9th. Jane and Jan are committee chairs. Plan to start bake sale at 9 a.m.
6. Executive Board Members: The officers make up the Executive Board.
7. Annual donation to Child Care: \$500 has been donated to Child Care. Donation is due in January.
8. Review of Annual Budget: Motion to approve proposed budget made by Ellen seconded by Chris. Motion carried.
9. Scholarship recipient: The recipients will be asked to come to the hospital for a picture of award.

10. WHA Partners Newsletter: A copy of newsletter will be left in Gift Shop or members can go on-line to read newsletter. Articles for our newsletter are due March 17th.

11. Calendar of Yearly Activities: Shawna and Jan will create a monthly calendar for activities planned each month.

Upcoming Events:

1. Uniform Sale: Today

2. Blood Drive: February 25th 12-5 p.m. in GFEC.

3. Annual meeting: February 19th starting at 5p.m. at PDC Country Club.

4. Book & Gift Fair: March 24th 9 a.m. - 5 pm & March 25th 7a.m. - 3 p.m. in GFEC.

Lights for all Seasons:

Margaret Wachter, Emil Schmidt, Carl Messerli

Motion to adjourn by Chris seconded by Marlene. Motion carried.

Next meeting: March 3rd.