



The comprehensive resource on domestic violence

Board of Directors Meeting  
June 14, 2016  
MINUTES

- I. Call to order/Introductions  
Present: Kelly Cooke, Sheryl Clinger (for Karen Days), Kayla Green, Linda Johanek, Dave Riber, Kim Stanley, Brian Worth  
Absent: Danny Bank, Kathy Ezawa, Steven Fields, Lynn Jacquot Deidra Lashley, Annie Murray  
On phone: Donya Buchanan, Bridget Mahoney, Gina Patterson, Lisa Whittaker  
Staff: Nancy Neylon, Becky Mason, Jo Simonsen, Debbie DeWitt
- II. Approval of Agenda – Dave R. motioned to approve the Agenda, Kim S. seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.
- III. Approval of Minutes – Brian W motioned to approve the March 8, 2016 minutes, Kelly C. seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.
- IV. Presentation by Jo Simonsen/Ohio IPV Collaborative and Safe and Together  
Jo Simonsen, Family Systems Advocacy Director updated the board on her program. We have now been able to hire a part-time Family Systems Advocacy Specialist – Shelly Bell that Jo will supervise.  
Jo discussed the Safe & Together principles: 1) Keeping child safe and together with non-offending parent; 2) Partnering with non-offending parent as default position; 3) Intervening with perpetrator to reduce risk and harm to child.
- V. Finance Committee Report - Kayla Green, Treasurer, reported that Debbie DeWitt distributed the finance reports via email prior to the meeting. She reported that ODVN received a large grant for College Campus work and that the VOCA grant is underspent due to late hiring of staff. The Finance committee will be meeting again in August.  
A. Approval of Finance Report: Feb-April 2016 – Kim S. motioned to approve the Feb-April 2016 finance reports, Kelly C. seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.
- VI. Executive Committee Report, Linda Johanek, Chair - Nancy reported on the office move. We are not completely done with construction and inspections, but it should be done within the next couple of weeks. The staff likes the new space and is very happy to have a kitchen and our own bathrooms. We also have a positive relationship with our new landlord, Big Brothers, Big Sisters.

- A. New office space gift – Linda reported that the Board would like to get some nice artwork for the new office that reflects our mission. They will work on how much to spend, how big, where it would go, etc.
- VII. Development Committee Report, Bridget Mahoney, Chair
  - A. Crowd Rise Update – Bridget reported that five board members participated in our 3<sup>rd</sup> Mother's Day fundraiser. We raised a little over \$4,200. Thanks to Dave Riber and Safelite for donating \$1500 to it. We will do another Crowdrise fundraiser in October for DV awareness month.
  - B. Tea Update - ODVN supporter, Jill Kingsley held another awareness raising tea on April 1. Nancy and Bridget both spoke at the event. Nancy and Karen Benningfield, ODVN Development staff, are planning on following up with five of the attendees. We received donations as a result of the tea of around \$6,000. Jill had indicated that this was the last one she will do.
  - C. Walk A Mile – We partnered again with the OSU fraternities for the event. Bridget and Becky attended and Bridget spoke at the event. They pledged \$1,000 to ODVN.
- VIII. Board Development Committee – Kimberly Stanley is now the chair of this committee (thanks Kim).
  - A. Acceptance of resignation of Amy Bonomi – Amy moved to Michigan and cannot make the meetings. She will continue to be involved as needed with research. Kayla G. motioned to accept the resignation of Amy Bonomi, Brian W. seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.
  - B. The committee will be meeting today after the board meeting.
- IX. VAWA Collaboration Board, Nancy Neylon
  - A. Training Update – The expanded 5 day Domestic Violence Advocacy Fundamentals training meets the Ohio Advocate Network's requirements. (See ED Report for more details on trainings.)
  - B. Web based training update - We purchased Docebo, an e-learning software program for approximately \$4,000. The goal is to have something up and running by end of September. Sarah Osmer is working on setting it up. We also purchased two other software products for storytelling. The next in-person meeting is July 12.
- IX. Policy Committee, Thanks to Annie Murray for agreeing to be the chair of the Policy Committee. (Report by Nancy N.)
  - HB 359 – Address Confidentiality: Passed and is waiting to be signed by the Governor! The Secretary of State's office is hoping to start training over the summer so we will be ready when the law is implemented in approx. 90 days.
  - HB 362 – Strangulation: Passed the House. The Senate will be back for a couple of sessions before the election. We are hoping to meet with Senate Committee members over the summer.
  - HB 392 – Dating Violence: Passed the House. This bill would include the term of dating violence and define the elements. We are less enthusiastic about this bill. There have been a number of amendments, so it is better than the original version, but since the Ohio Judicial Conference does not like the bill it probably won't pass the Senate.

HB 451 – Life Support Forfeit Priority: Passed the House. This bill does not allow an individual subject to a protection order to withhold life sustaining treatment of the alleged victim.

HB 494 – DV Gun Disabilities: never received a hearing.

Ohio Criminal Justice Recodification Committee – they removed the domestic violence definitions and some VAWA protections such as mutual CPOs and polygraph requirements. The Policy Committee of the Supreme Court that Nancy sits on will be putting together a response and some draft language for a bill. We will also need to provide an ODVN response and ask them to not review the civil statutes.

XI. Executive Directors Report - We are gearing up to submit a huge VOCA grant. We will include the relocation funding that we never received last year because the regulations were never approved.

XII. New Business – none.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.

Minutes prepared by Becky Mason.

Submitted by:

Approve by:

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Bridget Mahoney, Secretary

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Linda Johanek, Board Chair