

NAMI Sacramento, Board of Directors Meeting
September 21, 2009

Members present: Belinda Beckett, Al Lipson, John Gilbert, Larry Liseno, and Caroline Caton

Members absent: Pat Pavone

Other Attendees: Sontine Kalba, Craig Hays

May/August Meeting minutes were approved.

President's Written Report (Amendment one):

Belinda read the report and members made some comments of acknowledgement and/or agreement.

- Regarding our need for a WALK Kick-off Luncheon coordinator at the end of February 2010, Caroline agreed to perform this duty.
- Regarding Kathleen Derby's suggestion of Joe to take over her role as IOOV Coordinator, all agreed this is a good idea because of his experience and the board agreed about contacting him for his reaction.
- Regarding nominating Kathleen for Consumer Leader of the Year Award by the Mental Health Association, the board agreed she is an excellent choice.
- Regarding board recruitment, the board reviewed progress-to-date of those who agreed to serve (Linda Ellis, Craig Hays and Marilyn Hillerman); of those who declined (Emily Brayton, Joanne Mahaney Buehler, Kathleen Derby, William Gasper, Rona Lapilusa, Dede Hanahan, Lannette Reeves and Al Rowlette); and those who must receive a telephone call to assess their position (John will call David Dixon, Bruce Hancock and Marcia Maleske; Belinda will call Anthony DaVigo and Patsy Pavan; Caroline will call Brenda Gallardo-Lopez, Lee Gassaway and Pam Hawkins; Al will call Catherine Heinrich; Larry will call Linda Riccardo Henderson and Victoria Lee Keegan; and, Pat will call Richard Hirsch and Swapna Jain).
- Additionally, the board discussed board elections at our October general meeting. It was agreed all candidates, prior to the election, will be asked to present their reasons for wanting to serve by giving a three minute speech to the membership present.
- Additionally, Belinda reviewed United Way Kick-off campaign events we attended on September 10-11 and outreach activity, like an up-coming employee event at Campbell Soup Company, which alerts employees of charitable organizations, which partner with United Way. She also informed the board of speakers who have agreed to act on our behalf at United Way events (herself, Pat, Sontine and Larry), and Craig also expressed an eagerness to act as speaker.

Treasurer's Report:

Larry reviewed our August financial statements. Al moved and John seconded the motion to accept the August statements. The motion was passed by unanimous vote by the members present.

Larry informed the board of results of his email survey of the board to buy two certificates of deposit from money market funds. The board had concurred. Larry told the board he therefore directed Jeremy Hearon of EdwardJones to purchase two CD's of \$10,000 each, and, he demonstrated how our total cash flow will fund our programs through April 2011 via three laddered

CD's, money market funds, average income of \$2250 per month and current checking account balance. (Amendment two)

Executive Director's Report:

Sontine addressed fundraising and miscellaneous administrative items.

- She noted a Letter of Intent to Catholic Healthcare West for \$7255 for Peer to Peer. And, she also noted working on a \$5000 or less proposal, which she is coordinating with Belinda and Pat.
- She informed the board of coordinating with Bob Silva to effect changes to our website. They include menu/links that say "Donate" in addition to "Join." And, she noted Bob's immediate response to her requests.
- She noted our summer mailing campaign raised about \$3151 gross and she estimated a net amount of about \$2900. There were 38 people who donated, which is an average gift of \$83.
- She informed us about assisting Pat with WALK plans by identifying potential sponsors.
- She attended United Way speaker's training.
- She noted Larry's in-kind donation of an office supply cabinet and Dawn's subsequent organization of our office supplies
- She noted her coordination with Sacramento County Division of Mental Health to retrieve mail and donations at our old office mailing address.

Other Business:

Al reported the county continues to move toward reduction in mental health service because of severe budget cuts, like funding of 50 instead of 100 beds. So far his testimony before the County Board of Supervisors and a TV interview with Channel 10 News has not generated enough support to direct money back to mental health needs.

Submitted by Larry Liseno, Treasurer