

Notes from WCA Board Meeting
July 17, 2004
Home of Roger Gantzarow
Morningside on the Green
Madison, WI

Keith F. Iris, Jr., (President), Mary Ann Krems, (Past President), Mary Comperini-Stoffel (secretary / student), Ed Coyle (Technology/WSCA), Roger Gantzarow, (Professional liaison), Suzanne Griffith, Brenda Schultz (student), Tom Swoboda, Stephanie Whiting (Membership Committee)

Excused: Lisa Brown, Dennis Doberstein, Linda Krantz, Mary Marks, Jodi Mathys, Peg Olson, Nona Wilson, Nhiasher Xiong.

WCA Officers were confirmed for the coming year. (See directory.) The president's gavel officially passed from Mary Ann Krems to Keith F. Iris, Jr. Mary Ann was thanked for her dedication and service. Keith is warmly welcomed to the new role.

Consent Agenda: Presented president's, secretary's, technology, and membership reports. Brenda suggested a 2-year commitment for leaders. This may be a topic to revisit at a future meeting. Briefly discussed ECWC fall conference. Consent Agenda was approved.

DISCUSSION AGENDA:

Professional Development Committee:

This committee remains vacant since David Hargis left. Discussion ensued on the relevance of continuing this committee. It was determined to be an essential WCA committee. The board discussed the possibility of organizing a conference. Previous conferences put on by WCA were considered to be of very good quality, but poorly attended and costly. WCA will co-sponsor the East Central Conference. The possibility of extended sectionals at WSCA was also discussed. A one-day drive-in conference could potentially be more widely attended due to saving money; (no hotel fees for participants).

Suzanne Griffin volunteered to serve on committee. Motion brought to table and carried.

Goals for the New Year:

Keith is soliciting committee goals. Big picture goals of WCA discussed included:

- A. Fundraising
- B. Increasing Membership
- C. Adoption of Revised Bylaws
- D. Develop Leadership Manual
- E. Revising Mission Statement
- F. Exploration of Collaboration with Divisions on Conference Presentations
- G. Developing Tangible and Intangible Benefits to WCA Membership

Motion to approve goals. Motion carried.

Budget:

Mary Ann moved to stay, as no financial statement / budget has been reported yet. This will be submitted when fiscal year-end bills are paid. Message needs to be sent to list serve that all bills need to be paid by July 31. Dennis will be collecting info on ACA Conference.

WMHCA:

WMHCA is requesting around \$500 from WCA to apply towards debt for Dismas's services. Mary Ann will research the nature of the debt. It was suggested to ask WMHCA to join WCA. Further discussion may ensue via list serve.

Brochure:

Mary Ann will get an EWCA brochure to put in the bulletin.

Distance Counseling:

Distance counseling is on the horizon. Teaching counselors how to counsel over the internet may provide counseling where there are few counselors available. This may be future trend that requires more attention. Workshops in distance counseling may be a future WCA discussion.

Bylaws Committee:

Bylaws manual was last updated in 1990. A leadership manual from Michigan was presented to the board as a possible template for a new WCA manual. The new manual, once complete, will be distributed to board members, and will include forms, and other items, such as description of duties, licensure, laws, committees, history, etc.

Robert's Rules of Order Motions Chart was distributed.

New News / Misc.:

People to People Ambassador Program is looking for participants to go to China.

Future Meeting Dates and Times:

October 30, 2004 at Noon: Community Industries, Stevens Point

January 29, 2005 at 10am (tentative): Video conference between Oshkosh, Stevens Point, Superior, and Madison.

April 23, 2005 at 10am: Madison

July 16, 2005 at 10am: Stevens Point. (Meeting and Leadership Conference)

Meeting times are subject to change.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Comperini-Stoffel