

WCA Board Meeting Minutes
October 14, 2006
Madison, WI
10:00 a.m.

Attending: Mary Marks WCDA, Charles Lindsey, Pres. Elect, Mary Ann Krems, Past President, Ed Coyle, President, Angela Flannery, Secretary, Mark Gillen, Professional Development Roger Gantzarow, Licensure

1. Call to order: Ed Coyle called the meeting to order at 10:00.

2. Approve Agenda: Agenda was approved with topics added to include:

- a. rehabilitation counseling information
- b. social justice division update
- c. election and recruitment for WCA

3. Minutes of July 2006 meeting: Motion by Mark and second by Charles to approve. Motion passed.

4. Treasurer's/Finance Committee Reports

Mary Ann distributed reports from the treasurer. Included was a proposal that WCA might consider going with GE Interest Plus which would provide more interest than our current account is making. We have a CD worth \$396.97 and discussion centered on adding to it for more interest or cashing in and putting in general account. Questions for treasurer are: How many times can a check be written and What is the minimum amount that can be written if we go with GE Interest Plus? Topic will be revisited in January when more information is available and decision will take place at end of our fiscal year.

Current balance as of 11-07-06 is \$10, 743.80.

6. Reports:

a. Membership:

Current membership is 156. Within this number, 53 are free students.

b. Professional Development:

- a. Reviewed Summit set for November 4, 2006 at Mid-State Technical College in Stevens Point. Refreshments, lunch, evaluations, schedule for day were reviewed. Decided to meet at 8am that morning for set up. Next year's conference was discussed and proposed to have topic *Professional Accountability: Implications for Counselors*.

- c. **MIDWEST:** Midwest Report: Ed reported that other states are not seeing an increase in members as we are. The next Midwest Convention will be in St. Paul next year and we will co-host it. It will not require a lot of work on our part. Discussion centered on a joint summit. No decision was made.

- d. **Ethics:** no issues were brought to Mark after the article. He will present topic again.
Mark is willing to get work the journal and will get information out at the summit for submissions. Information will also be put in newsletter for submissions. Will need an editorial board for review of articles.
- e. **Student Rep:**
Emily has continued contact with Stephanie Dietz Marquette University in exploring other ways to attract students to WCA. She has also been in contact with Emily Weege, the student rep from WSCA, who is attempting to create a subcommittee of students to be able to connect about things specific to school counseling. Further discussion about ideas for round table discussion during lunch break at Summit. Suggestions including job networking and the process of licensure in Wisconsin.
- f. **Newsletter:**
Newsletter articles are due to Ed by November 1, 2006. Articles should be ½ page long. *All board members are required to submit articles.*

7. Old Business:

- a. Coalition update: Charles provided information that the social worker group has decided to withdraw from the coalition. It was discovered that there is nothing writing for the group regarding mission, etc. There appears to be a plan to add more structure and form to the group with creating a mission, etc.
- b. DRL and psychotherapy provision update: Charles provided information and stated there is a committee meeting on October 30th.

8. Other Business:

- a. Mary Ann provided information regarding a UW-Madison Doctoral Student who is presenting the idea of forming a Social Justice Division with WCA.
- b. Roger presented information regarding a shortage of rehabilitation counselors in certain parts of the state. There is training planned for workers to become certified rehabilitation counselors to address this need.
- c. Board elections will need to occur soon. An article will appear in future newsletter.

9. Adjourn meeting.

Next meeting date will be January 27, 2007 at The Steven's Point Library

Future meeting dates: April 14, 2007 Stevens Point