

Massachusetts Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (MAADAC)

State Meeting

Thursday, November 30, 2017

Present: Gary Blanchard (President), Tom Crowley, Peter Crumb, John Finneran, Joe Kelliher, Linda Mazak, Linda Mullis (Treasurer), Jim Plaza, Mark Rebello, Rhonda Tobey

Agenda & Minutes

1. President's Report: Gary opened the meeting with an update from the October NAADAC Annual Meeting in Colorado. He reported that Diana Kamp, Senior Membership Senior Manager has been appointed to improve response rates among the membership at the local and national level. The Annual Meeting of NAADAC, "Shoot for the Stars," will be held in Houston TX October 5 through 9, 2018 at the Westin Galleria Houston. The 2018 Call for Presentations is now open. NAADAC members and non-members are invited to submit presentation proposals for the 2018 Annual Conference. The submission deadline is January 15, 2018. There is a new NAADAC voluntary certification for Nicotine Dependence Specialist. Please check the NAADAC website (naadac.org) for further information. Motion to accept President's Report was made and accepted unanimously.
2. Treasurer's Report: Linda reported the current balance of MAADAC accounts and disbursement activity. The checking account balance is \$14,327. There are two CDs with \$5000 in each. We received thanks you notes from Gosnold (Golf Tournament), Gavin Foundation (Gratitude Dinner), M.O.A.R. (Advertisement for Ad Book), and LAP Luncheon for contributions to their events. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report was made and accepted unanimously.
3. Regional Meeting - Business:
 - a. A proposal was made to include a tag line to MAADAC, which would read, "The Association for Addiction Professionals." This modification to the title of the organization is consistent with the title of NAADAC as it currently appears on its website and other literature. This descriptor is aimed at increasing the clarity of mission and purpose of the organization at the public level. A motion was made and unanimously accepted to include the tag line.
 - b. A proposal was made to purchase a portable banner that could be used at conferences and other gatherings to identify MAADAC. The portable banner is slightly larger (24.62" wide X 39" tall) than the old banner (18" X 36"), and is convenient to set up and store. The price of the banner is \$154.80. Pending review by call-in members, a motion as made and unanimously accepted to purchase the banner.
 - c. Annual Meeting & Presentation of Service Awards: The Annual MAADAC Meeting will be held on January 12, 2018 at the Doubletree Westborough Hotel. The following recipients have been identified for the following awards.

- Counselor of the Year: Robert Nutt
 - President's Award: John Christian (Modern Assistance Program)
 - Outstanding Service Award: Behavioral Health Network
 - Special Recognition Award: Senator Eric Lesser
 - Special Recognition Award: Joseph Petty (Mayor of Worcester)
- d. CADAC Certification Tests: CADAC examinations are now being scheduled on an on-demand basis. Tests are no longer scheduled on a quarterly basis.
- e. MAADAC Golf Tournament: The Annual Golf Fundraiser will be held on May 18, 2018 at the Heritage Country Club in Charlton MA. Application forms will be mailed out with the minutes.
- f. MAADAC Scholarship form for state-approved trainings will ask applicants for basic contact information and responses to three questions, a request for the dollar amount to cover the cost of the training, the specific training being held, and an explanation of what the learning goals the applicant intends to take away from the training.
4. MAADAC State and Region-Wide Elections: Following an update of newly elected positions for president, alternate president, and secretary from the six regions in Massachusetts, a new slate of state officers was voted. Starting January 1, 2018, the list of state officers for the 2018 and 2019 terms will be:
- President – Joe Kelliher
 - Vice-President – Rhonda Tobey
 - First Vice-President – Tom Crowley
 - Treasurer – Linda Mullis
 - Secretary – John Finneran
5. Next Meeting: January 12, 2018 in Westborough for the Annual Meeting

Respectively Submitted: John Finneran for Joe Bebo