

Minutes of the MAADAC Board of Directors meeting – May 30, 2013

Attendance – Tom Crowley, Linda Mullis, Gary Blanchard, Peter Kosciusko, Carol Bolstad, Sue O’Connor, Russ Viveiros, Peter Kosciusko, Willy Drinkwater

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President, Sue O’Connor.

Minutes: March 31 2013 minutes approved.

Treasurer’s Report: showing net income of \$1,726.11 **MOTION:** Gary/Peter K – Passed.

President Report: Maryanne Frangules asks MAADAC support for House 995 (Bill to Improve Access to Alcohol and Other Drug Clinical Services). Willy will speak at U Mass graduation and send out mailing to encourage student support of the bill. Peter K. will call the Assistant Commissioner of the Insurance Commission, and Sue will draft a letter from MAADAC to each member of the Finance Committee.

Old Business:

Trouble with membership. Currently down to 84. Outdated applications had incorrect NAADAC address resulting in returns to potential members. Tom said that NAADAC is now sending renewal notices by E-Mail. Willy confirmed this and became member #85 online as we spoke. Linda proposed a new membership drive in conjunction with appeal for support of H995.

New Business:

Cape Cod Symposium on Addictive Disorders – Linda took count of those who will attend the CCSAD. We will have our usual booth #8. Gary will be the mail recipient for NAADAC materials. Peter K. asked about variety of topics for CCSAD presentations. Linda will give Peter, Dee McGraw’s Email for contact. Dee is the CCSAD coordinator. Contributions for registrations will correspond with number of state meetings attended.

Holiday Breakfast/Annual Meeting: Peter K. suggested having a presentation in the afternoon, thus making the event a 5.5 CEU workshop. This would be at a reduced cost for members and free for newly licensed and/or certified clinicians. Proposed schedule would be continental breakfast, business meeting, awards and speakers for which 2.5 credits are given. Luncheon followed by a workshop ending by 3 pm for 3 ceu’s Attendees could choose the am or pm or full day. Willy offered to do a workshop presentation of “stress busting” which would be apropos for the season. The question was referred to committee (Linda) to study costs, time availability, etc. Report and vote will bbe made and taken on or before the September board meeting.

Russ, Peter K. and Willy raised the issue of social media and the counseling profession. “Linked In” is for professionals. Willy will research if NAADAC or other professional sources have media policies and will forward the results to the board.

Linda said that the DPH – BSAS is planning on standardizing the approval process for higher education programs for addiction counseling. They want to have a MAADAC representative on the study committee. Also mentioned is a system to translate ceu’s into college credits.

Next meeting on Friday , September 13th at the Cape

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Crumb, Secretary