

MAADAC Minutes 3/26/09

Attendance: Peter Crumb, Linda Mullis, Sue O'Connor, Peter Kosciusko, Tim Stanton, Russell Viveiros, Gary Blanchard

Absent: Tom Crowley, Linda Masik, Joe Kelleher, Michaelene Dalton, Sean Kelly

Board reviewed minutes from the January 2009 meeting. Fee for the golf outing should read \$110.00 instead of \$100.00. Minutes approved.

Treasurers report:

Linda reported that the account balances were as follows; 17,508.84 in assets. Two checks that had been outstanding for the breakfast came in, the breakfast made a small profit of \$100.00. Expenses were \$1861.52 this is \$ \$1430.00 higher due to the expenses for the Advocacy in Action Conference. Linda also they we have not received a bill for Mary Ann Hart's lobbying efforts on behalf of MAADAC, this bill will be for \$1500. Linda reported that an upgrade of the ATM card we currently have to a debit card would make it more practical to pay for expenses than the current method. Currently Linda must charge certain expenses on her personal credit card and reimburse herself from the checking account. Motion to upgrade the ATM card to a debit card was passed with all present voting yes.

Treasurer's report accepted.

President's Report:

Peter asked Tim Stanton to report to the board on his visit to Washington on behalf of MAADAC. He visited congressional and senatorial staffs with MaryAnn Frangules. He felt this was very informative and beneficial to him. He thanked the board for sending Mary Ann with him, she was extremely helpful. He also felt the staffers were open to meeting with him. NAADAC suggested that each state take material from the conference and develop a checklist of priority issues they wished to discuss with staffers. The three suggestions were prevention, staff development and parity. After much discussion it was decided that we would like for Tim to address workforce development particularly loan forgiveness and reforms in insurance reimbursement. Peter Crumb also asked that the committees look into certifying MD's, LICSW's etc in addiction before receiving government funds.

New Business:

Linda brought the new golf tournament flyers. She said they will be going out the second week of April.

December 4, 2009 has been set for the annual breakfast at the same location in Westborough.

Board discussed emailing the minutes to the membership; it is felt this is a good way to update the members. Sue will email the minutes to Linda sooner so that she has time to get it to the membership and post it on the website.

Old Business: None

Next meeting: May 28. 2009 in the Founder's Room Adcare Hospital Worcester

Meeting adjourned 10:55AM

Respectfully submitted, Susan O'Connor