

Minutes of La Leche League of Southern California, Inc.

Meeting Date: 11/12/17

Call to order: A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held on November 12, 2017 via GoToMeeting. The meeting convened at 8:06 PM by Stephanie Laurean and Renee' DiGregorio as recording secretary.

Members present:

Stephanie Laurean

Network Financial Coordinator/ NFC; Area Representative/ AR - San Diego and Imperial Counties; Board President

Renee' DiGregorio

Network Event Coordinator / NEC; Board Recording Secretary

Karima Khatib

Network Coordinator of Leaders- NCL; Area Representative/ AR - Orange County and Inland Empire

Colleen Marubayashi

Network Agreements Coordinator; Board Vice President

Romy Rapoport

Area Representative/ AR - Central LA Beaches

Stacie Bingham

Network Professional Liaison/ NPL

Members Not Present:

Julie Huisjen

Network Coordinator of Leader Accreditation/ NCLA

Approval of Minutes

7/9/17 Regular Meeting - Approved by quorum

9/18/17 Special Meeting - Approved by quorum

Summary of Leader Enrichment Day - Renee

Full summary submitted by Events Coordinator with details from evaluations with overall satisfaction with topics and speakers. Basket drawings sales were enthusiastic and well received. Point Dume Clubhouse was perfect for our needs. Attendance was lower than last year but those present were engaged and talkative. After expenses and reimbursements, a detailed financial report indicated a small profit.

The 2018 LES will be held Friday evening at our Network Conference.

Department Reports

Leader:

OCIE - Whittier/Downey group is a stand-out with very active Group attendance; FB group page; FB Tandem group page; several new Leaders; and active Applicants.

NCCLAV - Santa Barbara Group growing with new Leaders and several Applicants
Current Listed Leader moving to Las Vegas . AR position remains open

NevNoCADeserts AR position remains open, with one interested candidate.

SDIV - search continues for AR, in a effort to free Stephanie Laurean to focus on Network finances.

CentraLABchs - Area was well represented LES

Network Database Administrator: Access regained to new LLLI database of Groups and Leaders renamed 'Raiser's Edge'. This separate launch platform will be accessible only to (N)ADAs. Program is completely different than RsM and training on-line has begun.

Finance:

Report of Network Financial status given. Detailed report via Quickbooks provided major areas of expenses comparing 2011, 2013 and 2015 Conferences. Discussion to understand the differences as Quickbooks did not detail and many receipts were not passed on. Stephanie and Renee will attempt to recreate revenues and costs in preparation for 2018 Conference Event Budget for presentation at Dec. 10th BOD meeting.

Agreements:

Updated agreements for each Area have been completed and ready to be submitted to Leaders for approval. Revisions include Area financial responsibility statement and inclusion of a Equity and Diversity statement. Once approved; statements will be transferred to Network Agreements with Area Representative's approval.

With lowering Network Leader numbers extensive discussion was had re the pros and cons of remaining a Network. As this scenario has yet to ever happen; further research will be required into whether this might result in much higher Leader Assessments.

LAD Report: No report

PL Report: No report

Events:

Since last meeting questions arose regarding speaking fees of Diana West. Majority agreed that we request Diana West to be Keynote Speaker and to pay her travel; lodging, meals and miscellaneous expenses for Conference Event in November 2018. Extensive discussion was devoted to speaker fees. It was agreed that chosen keynote speakers will be granted fees on a negotiated basis.

Stephanie will provide a letter of certification of our EIN to have on hand when searching for sponsors. Strong consideration will be given to cost of registration and vendor fees to assure safe margins of profit.

In searching previous Conference records it is found that no record was maintained as to who or how Leader Enrichment Funds were used. Procedures to be written.

Conference Budget that will be provided by next meeting will make every attempt to consider all aspects of revenue and costs; despite lack to previous records to assist.

USA Council Delegate Report:

Update on latest Council meeting. LLLUSA is making every attempt to create an easier process for Groups to open bank accounts.

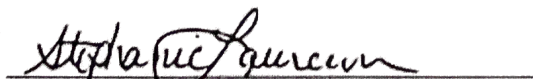
New Business:

The Group contact page on our website has always included Pacific Horizons Groups and Leaders. Initially updates were received regularly from PH administrators. This assistance has not been happening resulting in questionable accuracy of contacts. Since the LLLI website now will refer searchers to individual Area websites (where those lists can be maintained on a regular basis), PH should maintain such a list on their website. The decision was made that it was no longer necessary to include PH contacts on our website.

Meeting adjourned: 9:10 pm

Respectfully submitted


Renee DiGregorio - Board Recording Secretary


Stephanie Laurean - President