

Minutes of La Leche League of Southern California, Inc.

Meeting Date: 3/11/18

(scheduled February 11, 2018 was cancelled due to a Director's pending move)

Call to order: A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held on March 11, 2018 via GoToMeeting. The meeting convened at 7:11 pm by Stephanie Laurean, as President and Renee DiGregorio as recording secretary.

Members present:

Stephanie Laurean

Network Financial Coordinator/ NFC; Area Representative/ AR - San Diego and Imperial Valley; 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

Romy Rapoport

Area Representative/ AR - Central LA Beaches

Colleen Marubayashi

Network Agreements Coordinator; Board Vice President

Members Not Present:

Julie Huisjen

Network Coordinator of Leader Accreditation/ NCLA

Approval of Minutes

1/14/18 Regular Meeting - Approved by quorum

Department Reports

Leader Dept

Year-end stats were accumulated and reported. Direct phone calls appeared to assist in retrieval of stats. AR/ACL reported that there remains the problem of Leaders not responding to requests. This has been an ongoing problem and further discussion should continue to emphasize to those non-responding Leaders the importance of reporting. Reporting is one of the basic Leader requirements.

The format of the questionnaire as it is now should be easier; mainly to make the reporting the stats more uniform. It was suggested that a uniform questionnaire be created and placed on our website to assist in accumulating and collating these numbers.

Action to be taken: Said form should be in place before the next reporting period.

In the Areas where the Area Representative/ACL position remains open, there have been no responses of interest.

Finance Dept

A spreadsheet estimating Conference budget was shared. Further discussion can be completed via email.

Third Quarter cost-sharing payment will soon be sent to LLLUSA

A Leader in Camarillo has stepped forward to work on our Website.

Action not taken from 1/14/18 minutes:

Template of a Group Financial Report was discussed to be sent to all Leaders. This will be an annual request.

Agreements

Revised Network Agreements (remains in progress. Areas will receive draft of revised agreements for input and approval.

The Agreements Chair has indicated her desire to Retire from Leadership at the end of the year. She is committed to completed the revision and train someone to replace her.

LAD Report - not available

PL - not available

Events

-Monthly Program Planning GTM have been very productive. Today's meeting established the HCP day schedule/speakers and topics, with the exception of some unconfirmed slots. Efforts to reach additional suggested speakers will be on-going.

-Publicity of our Event will soon appear on the LLLUSA website and sent regularly in their separate Events UpDate special emails sent to all USA Leaders. All Breastfeeding Coalitions in CA, Nevada, and Arizona will begin posting the SAVE THE DATE. All neighboring LLL Areas have also been asked to post. All will run regularly and continue until a new notification is sent when registration becomes available on our website.

-Vendor contracts from 2015 were shared and are in need of updating. Renee will talk to hotel on specifics of where vendors will drop off materials on site. Though charges are still being considered; vendors will be reminded that this event will provide 3 full days of exhibit exposure.

-The Network Events Director will update and streamline the General Speaker Packets.

-The former registration person has been contacted for access information to RegOnLine. A interested Leader has stepped forward to adapt it for our needs.

-When the Conference storage unit was purged; some toys and children's book were taken to individual's storage. It was requested that an inventory be completed to determine what we might have in events rooms. It will not be as extensive as in the past as much retrieved from storage was old or unuseable.

-Printing costs should be substantially lower as a Registration form will only be on line.

-Further discussion on Conference Theme after initial choices was given on SoCANev Leader's FB page. Every effort will be made to create a theme that not only is reflected in our topics but to be inclusive and neutral in wording using the LLLUSA Diversity Statement as a guide.

A formal google pole will go to Leaders with the most popular themes suggested thus far.

-After reviewing the proposed budget spreadsheet and comparing to other recent Area conferences, it was determined that the cost for the HCP Day should be a separate, higher charge. It was agreed that weekend package costs be increased.

- After Stephanie is back in town, Renee will arrange a tour of the event facilities for all interested.

-In an effort to keep organized and to avoid duplication of effort; the Events Director should be kept 'in-the-loop' of all actions to recruit speakers or seek Event assistants. (not covered at meeting: The Network Coordinator of Leaders will be responsible for organizing the LES (Friday, November 9 at 6PM) and Area Meetings (Saturday, November 10 at 6PM). She will work within the perimeters of time and suggested content.

Action to be taken: Google poll on Event Theme selection.

USA Council Report

Our delegate has informed the Council that she will step down from her delegate responsibilities at the end of this month...thus leaving our Network without representation. It is stressed that someone step up as soon as possible to allow ample time for application completion and to be able to attend the May face-to-face. A local Leader was approached and active efforts to obtain her commitment as delegate

are a priority. Our Network may have two delegates as representation to the USA Council.

Action to be taken: Urgent call for replacement will be sent out to all Leaders

New Business

Term expiration dates were clarified for the record:

Financial Director: 3rd year completion in February 2019

Events Coordinator: 3rd year completion in February 2019

(If approved by quorum, both have 2 - 1 year extensions should they wish to continue)

Agreements Chair has agreed to fulfill her responsibilities through the end of 2018.

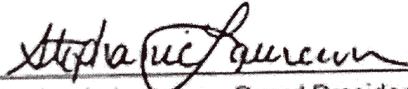
Next meeting schedule for April 9, 2018 at 7:00 PM

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM

Respectfully submitted



Renee DiGregorio - Board Recording Secretary



Stephanie Laurean - Board President