

**SDSLHA Executive Council Meeting Minutes
August 18th, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER: President Shelly Grinde called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm CT.

Members in attendance included: **Shelly Grinde**, President; **Kris Kelley**, Past-President; **Becky Cermak**, President-Elect and SMAC & STARS Rep.; **Carrie Quamen**, Secretary; **Kathleen Mays**, Treasurer; **Marni Johnson**, VP of Audiology; **Jennifer Schultz**, Advisory Councilor; and Jennie Bellis, Student Representative.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was emailed by Shelly prior to the meeting and approved as sent.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINTUES FROM LAST MONTH: Minutes from the July, 2009 meeting were emailed to the committee by Carrie. Shelly motioned to approve the minutes/ Becky 2nd.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/OLD BUSINESS:

1. Treasurer's Report: (Kathy)

Kathy emailed the current expense report to the board prior to the meeting. If any SDSLHA member would like to inquire about this report, please email one of the board members. Becky motioned to approve the treasurer's report as sent/ Marni 2nd.

2. Continuing Education Report: (Shelly) Shelly received a letter from the ASHA CE division indicating that we offered 17 courses during the past 5 years, and we had no appeals along with an "exceptional record of compliance with CEB requirements." Further they go on to say "Given the large percentage of cooperative offering, this is quite an impressive accomplishment. We commended your organization for its outstanding work and attention to detail." Thus, we have met our required practices and have been renewed as a provider for 5 more years for the fee of \$300.

3. Membership Report: (Cristy) No report.

4. STARS/SMAC Report: (Becky) Nothing new at this time.

5. SEALS Report: (Jamie) No report.

6. Student Representative Report: (Jennie) Jennie has had a good response with gathering student volunteers for the convention.

7. Advisory Council Report: (Jennifer) Jennifer contacted Maureen Thompson at ASHA to inquire about Matthew Rumsey's appointment to the open Audiology Council seat. The ASHA Board of Directors has not yet voted on appointments to open Audiology AC positions as they have been busy with the committee

appointment process at this time. They hope to have a decision made and back to us within the next week.

This year, the SLP Advisory Council will be responsible for electing a member to each of the following committees and boards: Committee on Honors, Committee on Nominations and Elections, the Financial Planning Board and the Government Relations & Public Policy Board. Audiology AC is responsible for electing individuals on 2 of these committees/boards due to the rotation in term of office. The Call for Nominations is open until August 28th and Elections will be held via the AC collaboration sites from Wednesday, September 2nd through Friday, September 11th.

8. **Editor's Report: (Brittany)** The USF credit application has been sent and Brittany will also apply for DOE hours for convention. The newsletter went out last week via email. If anyone has requests for photos at convention please let Brittany know.
9. **Strategic Plan: (Shelly)** The board reviewed the Focus Area: Member Involvement/Leadership Development. Shelly will email the discussed updates to the board.

NEW/CONTINUING BUSINESS:

1. **Convention Update:** Presently, there are only 12 registrations. The Association Business meeting and Board meeting will be on Thursday night. There was a brief discussion regarding moving next year's convention to September. Becky is going to continue to look into dates/venues
2. **Licensure Update:** Becky is in the final stages of generating a member survey regarding licensure and will have the survey sent to members in the near future.
3. **ASHA State Outreach Initiative:** Shelly received a letter from ASHA outlining a potential agreement between SDSLHA and ASHA that would allow SDSLHA to utilize web-based state advocacy services free of charge. The board reviewed the agreement details and agreed to sign the agreement.
4. **Convention Packets:** Shelly is working with Tiffny to assemble the convention packets. The board decided that membership renewal information should be included packet.
5. **Medicaid Reimbursement: (Kathy)** Kathy attended the Medicaid Reimbursement meetings in Pierre. She indicated that she was impressed at how well other organizations had data collected, printed, and organized. Kathy feels that this is a task that our professions will need to do as we pursue licensure and changes in rates. Examples of information to be collected include: knowing how many members we have; how many people we serve; the payer sources for our services; salaries; and having many personal stories.

6. Review of Bylaws: The board completed the revision of the Bylaws. The revision will be emailed to the board for final review; and then presented to the Association via email by early September. The proposed revision will be discussed with the membership at the Annual Business meeting, where any amendments to the proposed revision will be offered. Following the Annual Business meeting, Carrie will send out the final proposed revision to the membership for the final vote.

7. NEXT MTG: September 16th, 2009 at 8pm CT/ 7pm MST.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Shelly motioned to adjourn at 9:16 pm CT/ Kathy 2nd .