

KANSAS COUNSELING ASSOCIATION

Executive Council Minutes

July 23, 2004

President, Gary Price, called the KCA Executive Council to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 23, 2004 at the Topeka Public Schools Burnett Center in Topeka, KS. Roll call was taken with all members present except: Deb Woodard, Carla Hattan, Lori Mitchell, Chelle Tedrow, Ryan Ruda and Wendy Enochs. Gary noted that Wendy has moved and a replacement has not yet been named.

Gary awarded Tonia Hunter and Nikki Currie plaques of appreciation for their work in KCA.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the consent agenda for today's KCA board meeting. (Hitchcock/Adams) Motion passed.

Roots: Harold Hula reviewed the origins of counseling in our state. Counseling was first established in Kansas in 1957. Harold traced our association with the national counseling organization and emphasized our inclusiveness, diversity, accommodations and accomplishments. Licensure has been one of our accomplishments. Communication, cooperation, and committed leaders with shared goals nourish imagination and commitment by all KCA members.

Team Building: The group divided into four groups to recall the first time each of us talked to a counselor and the impact that made on us. We also discussed people who may have taken a risk by believing in us and what a difference that made in our lives.

A motion was made and seconded to accept and approve the minutes from April's KCA executive meeting. (Curie/Walker) Motion passed.

REPORTS:

President (Gary Price) With 400+ members, counselors can make a difference starting with one person helping one other person to be better. When each person helps another, the impact is multiplied into the millions. Counseling is viewed from a developmental perspective as well as a clinical approach.

Notice the newsletter deadlines to submit region and division reports to Victoria.

Reports to our media chair (Carol Dellinger) will be posted on our web site.

Financial (Pat Walker) Pat reported our current balance as \$35,644.22. KCA's account is with 1st National Bank. KCA is now a small business and qualifies for free VISA checking and one charge card.

NEW BUSINESS:

President-Elect Elect (Roseanne Haberman): The 2005 KCA state convention will be March 3, 4 at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Topeka, KS. Roseanne has revised the budget based on 300 registrations; however, the contract with the hotel is based on 400 attendees. The \$17,000 hotel charge doesn't include service charges so typically consider adding 25% to that fee. To address this concern, a motion was made and seconded to raise the registration fee to \$95. (Haberman/Sasser) Motion carried.

Roseanne is contacting three possible speakers:

Malcolm Smith, who interviews school shooters. His one day fee is \$2500. He would be available for multiple break-out sessions.

Tom Jackson, character education author. His fee is \$950 plus expenses.

Rachel Simmons, anti-bullying speaker. Author of "Odd Girl Out" that speaks about relational aggression in girls.

Graduate students may earn free registration by working at registration.

Members will be encouraged to invite teachers and district administrators to the convention.

A proposal was made to add ½ day convention rate to the registration application. Meal tickets would be purchased separately if desired.

A committee will make additional recommendations.

Roseanne will bring several proposals to the next executive board meeting on November 3, 2004.

Drive-In conferences: (Dellinger/Hayes) moved and seconded that the registration fee for the drive-in conferences be raised to \$45 for KCA member, \$20 for student, \$70 for non KCA. Carol D. also proposed that one name be drawn from the three drive-in conferences for a free registration to the state convention as part of the motion. Motion passed.

Committee reports:

Awards:(Deb Woodard) Deb had written a proposal read by Gary Price to have each division and region present awards to members at their respective conferences. Those recipients would have family and friends invited to attend the award presentations. This idea was presented to recognize the contributions of more individuals to the counseling profession. Deb will consider different strategies and procedures to recognize more

members of KCA and encourage more members to become involved in our professional organization. Rita Lehman will work with Deb Woodard on the awards committee.

Bylaws, Policies and Procedures: (Nikki Currie) Nikki asked members to send recommendations for procedures regarding records from KCA officers transitioning to different roles.

Graduate students: (Carol Hoheisel) will develop a brochure to recruit graduate students. The plan is to distribute these brochures to professors of counseling. A social gathering for graduate students may also be included at KCA conventions.

History and Traditions: (Tonia Hunter) Harold Hula will work with Tonia to make decisions about storing archives.

OLD BUSINESS:

Convention 2004: (Nikki Currie) Nikki reported receiving many positive reports from attendees regarding sessions and presenters. She reported that 300 members from Kansas attended the ACA convention held in Kansas City, MO. The Wichita drive-in conference made \$2,030.62 for KCA. The profit for KCA from the ACA Convention was \$6,666.15.

Website: (Carol Dellinger) Carol reported that a webmaster has been hired. She urged members to submit pictures showing counselors in action. Any pictures sent to Carol must include a signed consent from any individuals pictured. First names only are used for minors. All regions and divisions submit updates and information regarding workshops to Carol. The log in username has been changed to counselor and the password has been changed to helping.

Strategic Planning Revisions: (Paul Kyle) Paul directed board members to identify key goals and strategies to increase membership and involvement of current members to KCA. Members divided into small groups and later reconvened for strategic planning feedback with a discussion of ideas shared.

1. Current members will receive a \$10 coupon to give to a colleague to be applied to KCA dues as a first time member.
2. Offer a one year free membership to graduate students.
3. Provide opportunities for board members to talk to graduate classes regarding the benefits of Kansas Counseling Association.
4. Rick Gibson and Lynda Scrivner will mail recruitment letters to Kansas counselors.
5. Rick Gibson and Carol Dellinger will revise the membership brochure/application and have a draft available for the November 3 board meeting.

6. Carol Dellinger will work on a questionnaire for members to indicate committees on which they would be willing to serve.
7. Past presidents to work on leadership development.
8. Develop program committees comprised of KCA members from the general population, not exclusively KCA board members.
9. Have region officers recommend potential leaders and cultivate involvement at the regional and state level.
10. Include committee members in KCA newsletters and on the website.
11. Limit leadership positions for KCA board members.
12. Continue to have convention sessions enhancing leadership skills as professional growth opportunities for counselors.
13. Include a new member reception at the spring convention, possibly before conference sessions.
14. Utilize award winners as potential leaders for committees/mentors.

Judy Sasser won a door prize donated by Nikki Currie.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m. The next meeting will be November 3 in Emporia.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzie Turner, KCA secretary

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