

ILAPSC Meeting 4-28-16 Urbana

Present in person or on the phone: Judge Ford, Jean Solon, Hugh Brady, Carrie Thomas, Scott Slonim, Craig Cooper, Baron Heintz, Scott Block, Steve Sawyer, Alicia, Michelle Rock, Mary Lee, Judge Larry Fox, Sarah Carlson, Jason Sterwerf, James Carpenter, Judge Holmgren

Not present-Michael Roman,

I. Call to order 12:06 pm

II. Review and approval of minutes

III. President's Report-The call for nominations will go out Friday or Monday. It will be put it on the website. It looks just like it did last year, the dates 6/6 is the closing date for nominations. They will go to nominating committee at that time. Hopefully that committee will provide their recommendations by 7/8.

Boat meeting is confirmed for 7/15. The website policy has been sent out, it was been prepared a year ago. We need to take a look at it. Judge Ford had sent an email with a slight change. The third paragraph talking about educational information, should include CEU credits that participants would be eligible for. Hugh requested that the disclaimer be in a conspicuous place. Craig thinks that it makes sense. We need to determine the email address if someone want to send something to ILAPSC. Craig said that he would be fine fielding emails with educational post requests. Move to approve-hugh, second-fox. Motion passed.

IV Treasurer's Report

Current account balance \$40,123

Financial information has been sent to the Benning Group for preparation of tax information to the IRS.

Judge Sawyer is working on making corrections to the articles of incorporation for the Illinois sales tax appeal. I was not able to speak with Judge Sawyer today as I had planned but will reach out to him upon my return. Illinois just emailed Judge Sawyer the forms he needs to submit the appeal.

We need a discusiion regarding tracking individuals who pay their membership fee prior to the conference but who also pay for the conference fee at registration in order to prevent people from paying twice. Michelle said 8 people did last year. Mary said people have already done it this year. Michelle and Mary said it was tracked already. It was agreed that Mary will track it. If it stays at a low number we will continue with this process.

V. Conference Report: Michelle and Mary, 475 attendees paid, with 25 comped. We have increased the cost to \$160 from 150. This is due to the increase in cost for registration.

Income estimate relies on 15 vendors-to pay \$150

4 sponsors at \$1000, one has paid.

Keynote sponsor- 2 at \$1000

Networking sponsor-1 at \$1000

Earlybird gathering-we have the sponsor at \$1000

Alkermes is interested in breakfast on Friday (they usually do the lunch on Thursday)

Projected net income of \$16,900

1 speaker change this week, need to discuss the honorarium or mileage.

All the av is already setup so that cost is built in to the cost.

Hotel is at the Marriot. They are booked already. There are lots of other hotels in the area at either the government rate of \$70 up to the federal rate of \$89

Keynote speaker Carolyn Hardin from NADCP and she is doing an additional breakout. Bringing an additional 7 people to do breakouts.

We do have 3 breakout sessions times and people will have 18 sessions to choose from. A variety offered in each bracket.

Center for court innovations supplying 2 speakers, one is presenting twice.

Raul Alazar SAMHSA isn't sponsoring but Alkermes is.

Early bird is including a bean bag toss. \$300 for prizes allotted.

Registration software. Event brite. There are fees attached to it.

Problem solving court scenerios on Friday morning

Late registrations will have to pay a fee.

Professional movie theater in the Marriot. We may be showing a movie Thursday, think about the type of movies for that night. There is a cost involved. It is a separate company-not Marriot.

Registration with event brite

Call for assistance-folders put together Monday 10/3 before the conference, come to Winnebago to stuff folders. Jason Sterwerf volunteered to help.

We need potential speakers to share recovery-is there anyone we know, Judge Ford's coordinator graduated from his court Gregg Ash, 10 years ago and now he is the coordinator. He can speak.

Need help with the bean bag tournament. Can't be someone who is working registration.

Need help with registration again

Same thing with the breakouts-need help with monitoring breakout sessions

Exhibitors and sponsors-if you know anyone, let Mary or Michelle know

Will need workers for movie night

Will we sell t-shirts again. We still have a boxful. Exhibitor table didn't work, but sales worked at registration. Mary is going to send a list of needs for assistance. Please respond to Mary so they can figure out where they still have gaps.

VI. Technology report

Craig thanked Mary for help with website, registration simplified, multiple registrants in one smooth motion using event brite. Sue Adams is webmaster. Dan Winne is I.T person, technology and trouble shooting. Follow up discussions with Sue and Dan to create a backup plan due to experimenting with it for the first time this year. We should have an improved system. Website policy will go to the proper place on website.

VII. Public Awareness report

Alicia noted that there is a work group meeting scheduled in May. Hope to have some fundraising ideas to present to the board after that meeting

VIII . Government

Hugh has handouts, he will forward to judge Ford. Chicago area thresholds. NAMI Chicago is having a mental health rally, 12 noon Thompson center May 19 Thursday in support of community based mental health services. Flyer says that it is from 10-11 on Wednesday. Event is from 10-11

Tip of the iceberg-look at some of the cuts that community mental health agencies have had to endure. LSSI-lay off 650 staff and shut down 30 programs because of budget crisis. If you would like to include information email Hugh with details.

Handout with a chart from a trade association of state tax officials with combined tax rates-2010 illinois total tax burden was 42 out of 50. 2011 we were 27th in the nation. So the taxes are not as bad as the legislators make it out to be.

Mental health summit-all the mental health legislation that is currently pending. Bills that are active-house bill 2990-passed house, in senate 70-43 special appropriations to fund psychiatric leadership,

Medicaid does not pay for psychiatric services, only pays 30% for a session. State grants to let states pay the difference in cost for psychiatric services. This bill restores that.

House bill 5003-mandates circuits to create veterans courts, unfunded mandates. The question was raised as to whether or not specialty courts costs money. YES they do.

House bill 4501-expand Dupage county govmt consolidation bill plan which would jeopardize mental health courts. County boards can appoint member. Discussion ensued about legislation and funding and the Illinois budget crisis. Local funds are even more important. If this bill is signed into law that could jeopardize local funds. Scott block will send infomraiton to the whole board about this issue as well.

House bill 5417 limits the use of solitary confinement, especially for people with mental illness

House bill 6037 would require criminal courts to consider mental health issues during sentencing

Senate bill 3259 veteran's courts

These should go to vote in May

Thresholds has been working with state legislators, Pam Altoff from Mchenry, Laure Fine from Skokie and others and with governor's office. Road map to mental health reform in Illinois. Laying the ground work to get something going for the next session. So far governor's staff is on board. Increase the Medicare reimbursement rate for psychiatric services and psychologists would be able to bill Medicaid. Allow Medicaid dollars to be used for housing in the most serious cases.

Require state prisons and Illinois Medicaid to meet with prisoners prior to release to be enrolled in Medicaid and attempt to hook them up with services.

Train parole officers in mental health issues and give them access mental health parole. Have resources for helping people housing, employment, etc.

XI nominating committee

Nothing to report at this time

Important dates

Next Meeting:

Boat Meeting

7/15/16 in Chicago. He changed the code, judge ford will give us directions and the new code. We will need to provide our own treats for the meeting. At July meeting August phone call will be scheduled to discuss conference.

Sarah moves to adjourn, Jean seconds at 12:58pm

