

## **SDASP Executive Board Agenda**

April 5, 2013: DDN at various locations

Members Present: Aberdeen: Maria Meyer and Alyssa Larson. Rapid City: Stephanie Nesselhuff, Curtis Middleton, Renee Arnio, Cora Lee Alley. Wagner: Kristi Kafka and Ericka Kotab. Lennox: Kari Oyen and Cara Sommerlot.

Call to order by Stephanie Nesselhuff, president.

Time: 12:13 Central Time.

- Secretary's report was reviewed by Alyssa Larson, SDASP Secretary. Motion to approve by Kristi Kafka, Seconded by Kari Oyen.
- Treasurer's report reviewed by Kari Oyen, SDASP Treasurer. A thank you was received for our sponsorship of the Children's Day at the Capitol. Motion to approve by Cara Sommerlot and seconded by Curtis Middleton.
- Area Representative reports
  - West (Renee Arnio): Renee attended a meeting in Chamberlain in December with Exel Achievement, Learning Disability Association, and other agencies. The intent of the meeting was to form a collaboration between outside agencies and school districts in working with children with learning disabilities.
  - Central (Amanda Wilson): Amanda will send out the call for nominations for School Psychologist of the Year. South Central Coop recently redid their school assignments so that the School Psychologist to student ratio is closer to 1 to 1,000 ratio recommended by NASP.
  - Southeast (Cara Sommerlot): There was a Southeast School Psychologists get-together for lunch in Sioux Falls. This included many school psychologists from the area. Because of the good turnout, another one may be organized this spring. Kari Oyen added that the state is accepting applications for PBIS schools for next year at the state level. There will be an east river and west river training. Contact Rebecca Cain if you are interested in signing up a school. The schools first sign a commitment letter, then have a 3-day training that consists of 5-7 people from your school, which includes an administrator. Your school should assign one coach to each school. The coach then attends one fall and one spring training and becomes the PBIS ambassador for their school. The state awards \$2300 to each individual school for implementation of PBIS. Please refer to the State Sped Website for more information.
  - Northeast (Maria Meyer): Watertown School District has an opening for next year. Joyce Anderson is retiring this year.
- Other Reports
  - NASP Delegate (Anita Winter): No report.
  - SPAN/GPR: Ericka Kotab shared that SDASP is working to renew our Approved Provider Status. She did the application so that we can continue to offer those NASP approved credits.
  - Webmaster (Jennifer Burkett): No report.
  - Newsletter editor (CoraLee Alley): Send any articles or news to CoraLee by June 1<sup>st</sup>. She will try to get it out by the middle of June for it to be published. Stephanie Nesselhuff will add in some information about the Fall Conference as well.
  - USD Student (Sheila Toering): No report. Spring Symposium will be hosted today.
  - USD Faculty (Dr. Benson): The USD program is currently going through the NCATE review.
- Old Business
  - Purchasing merchandise for SDASP still in process. Stephanie will work on ordering these items by July 1<sup>st</sup> and has a \$300 budget to work from.
  - It was discussed to possibly make the USD Faculty member a voting member of SDASP instead of the student member. No action taken at this time.

## New Business

- NASP Approved Provider System Renewal was due April 15, 2013 and was sent in by Ericka. It also included a \$100 fee. Thank you Ericka for completing this. Ericka will be reimbursed the \$100 for the fee.
- GW/NASP Public Policy Institute is scheduled for July 17-19<sup>th</sup>, 2013. This will be held in Washington, D.C. Early Bird rate is through May 14<sup>th</sup> with the cost of \$369. Discussion was held to determine if any current board members were interested in this training. The board felt that it would be beneficial for SDASP to send a representative every other year or so. Roxanna Uttermark attended previously in 2011. 80% of her cost was paid by SDASP (cost \$800). There is an implication that you will remain on the board and give back if you attend this training. The cost includes all materials, most meals, and a \$10 metro ticket. The cost would be the fee, airfare, and hotel. There was a proposal to send Kari Oyen and Alyssa Larson this summer. The decision will be made in the next two weeks by Kari and Alyssa if they would like to attend. Motion by Maria Meyer to approve two individuals to attend the Public Policy Institute and be paid 80% of their cost. Seconded by Kristi Kafka.
- International Dyslexia Association would like to provide some brochures at the SDASP conference this year. Discussion was held as to if we want outside groups to put up booths at SDASP. Kristi Kafka has been on their website and the State DOE has used their resources. Curtis Middleton, president-elect, will make this contact. Kristi Kafka made a motion for this organization to come to the SDASP conference and Kari Oyen seconded this.
- SDASP conference details were reviewed for Oct 3-4 conference in Rapid City. There will also be a board meeting Wednesday night Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013.
  - Curtis Middleton met with a neuropsychologist, Dr. Hastings, in Rapid City. She will speak Thursday morning on Traumatic Brain Injuries. Shelly Grinde, from the Center for Disabilities will come that afternoon and give academic intervention ideas for students with Traumatic Brain Injuries. Friday morning, Melissa Flor, from the SD State Special Education Department will come and speak regarding current special education updates and may possibly speak on the Practice Model. The Venue is the Howard Johnson Hotel, which is right by Central High School. Room costs very reasonable. There may be an opportunity to educate the school psychologists on the coffee shop set up by students with disabilities at Central High School.
- The NASP Regional Meeting will be held November 8-10, 2013. Penny McCormick-Gilles is the new NASP representative. Kari Oyen will inform Penny of this meeting. Penny's term starts in July. There may possibly be a pre-meeting workshop on advocacy. This will be on Friday of that weekend. Stephanie needs to know by April 9<sup>th</sup> if someone would like to go.
- Thank you to Anita Winter for her years of service to SDASP and NASP. She just finished her term as the South Dakota NASP delegate.
- Ideas were discussed to continue the relationship with USD students. We may possibly send SDASP board members to their Spring and Fall Symposiums. The idea of a mentor program for the USD students with current board members was also discussed.
- Ericka went to Pierre to advocate on behalf of SDASP during the Legislative Session. Ericka will be reimbursed for hotel and mileage costs. If legislators present the same bill on licensure next year, they will have the same opposition. A member from that board contacted Ericka and is willing to sit down together to draft a bill.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Next meeting:</b> Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 11:30 (CST) in Chamberlain, SD</li></ul>
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Motion to adjourn by Kari Oyen, seconded by Kristia Kafka at 1:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Alyssa Larson  
SDASP Secretary

