

MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINNESOTA FAMILY SUPPORT & RECOVERY COUNCIL
Madden's – October 10, 2007

Members present: Juan Martinez, Julie Erickson, Anne Bradley, John Stark, Grant Forsyth, Ruth Sundermeyer, Michelle Collins, Lynda Flykt, Karen Strandemo, Nancy Menssen, Sandy Slocum, Pat Krauth, Mark Ponsolle, Tracy Howe, Sandy Thorne, Brian Buhmann, Jennifer Stanfield, Yvonne Bibro, Diane Hall, Jolene Annen, Melissa Rossow, Terri Nielsen, Lori Lofrano, Robert Tipp, Carol Wacker.

Excused Absences: Jenna Penfield, Rich Thielman, Lisa Kontz, Wayland Campbell.

Guests: Angie Ulrich

1. The meeting was called to order by President, Juan Martinez at 12:30 pm at Madden's in Brainerd, MN.
2. Secretary's report: Secretary, Anne Bradley had previously distributed minutes for the meeting of July 19, 2007 by email. Motion by Mark Ponsolle, 2nd by Sandy Thorne to approve the minutes of 7/19/2007. Motion carried.
3. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer John Stark. Report was given at the annual meeting and placed on file. Diane Hall reported that she completed the audit and the audit report was placed on file.
4. Collaborative Reports:
 - A. MSSA-John Stark reported that the MFSRC display board will at the MSSA conference that is scheduled for March 2008. Brian Buhmann reported that there is a meeting scheduled for next Monday for private and public agency's to put together their proposals for their new legislation platform. There are 3 issues pertaining to child support that will be requested to be put back in to legislation. November 19th is the Delegate Assembly and this meeting will be the last opportunity to give any proposals. Mark Ponsolle stated that he would be attending next Monday's meeting as well as the meeting on the 19th of November.
 - B. Child Support Advisory Board-No report.
 - C. MCRA-Carol Wacker reported that the next meeting is in January.
 - D. MACSSA- Brian Buhmann reported that the next meeting is 12/15/2007. He stated that MACSSA's is having their fall conference right now. He also reported that a mini session is scheduled for 12/6/2007. At this session DHS

will be giving a presentation on the strategic plan, the session will be starting at 7:30 am.

- E. MCAA- Mark Ponsolle reported that discussions have started regarding a one day child support conference to be held in St. Cloud in May of 2008. He stated that this is a very informational one day training but should not be considered a substitute for the MFSRC conference.
5. Old Business:
- 1) NCSEA Policy-Julie Erickson reported that there was an issue regarding the appropriate people to send to NCSEA Conference. The policy was discussed and a written policy will be given to the Board at the next meeting.
 - 2) New Member Packets—Julie Erickson reported that new member packets have been put together, and will be given to the new 2008 board members.
6. New Business:
- 1) Actions of the Board for July Meeting—Anne Bradley reported that the Executive Board had voted to pay for the vendor registration fee for MSSA and to pay for funding for a Northern Regional Child Support Meeting up to an amount of \$200.00.
 - 2) Appointment to Advisory Board—Julie Erickson reported that Jenna Penfield has been appointed to the Advisory Board and will represent MFSRC along with Sandy Thorne.
 - 3) MFSRC Policies/Guidelines—discussion held on getting together all policies that the board has put in place. At one time there was a policy book but that has disappeared. Decision was that all board members will review there materials and bring to the next meeting a copy of any past policy that they may have. Then 3 binders will be put together with copies of the policies and copies of the by-laws, one copy will go to the secretary, one to Melissa Rossow, and one will be held by the President.
 - 4) 2008 meeting dates—Juan Martinez reported that next year's conference is scheduled for September 7th -10th, and the meeting dates for the next year are 11/15/2007, 1/17/2008, 03/20/2008, 04/24/2008(program only) and 06/19/2008. All meetings will be held at Jimmy's in Sauk Rapids. Motion made by Mark Ponsolle to accept the dates, 2nd by Pat Krauth, motion carried.
 - 5) Committee Assignments for 2007-08
 1. Finance—Diane Hall, Chair
 2. Constitution & By Laws—Melissa Rossow, Chair, Mark Ponsolle, Jennifer Stanfield, Sandy Thorne, and Anne Bradley
 3. Legislation—Mark Ponsolle, Chair, Diane Hall, Lisa Kontz, Lori Lofrano, Melissa Rossow, Jennifer Stanfield, Ruth Sundermeyer, Sandy Torne, Al Budde, Theresa Farrell-Strauss, Cheryl Glassel, and Jane Latterel.
 4. Historical—Grant Foryth, Chair, Lynda Flykt, and John Stark

5. Education—Michelle Collins, Chair, Yvonne Bibro, Julie Erickson, Lori Lofrano, and Mark Ponsolle.
6. Public Relations—Robert Tipp, Chair, Michelle Collins, Lori Lofrano, John Stark, and Ruth Sundermeyer.
7. Conference Registration—Teri Nielsen, Chair.
8. Overall Conference—Sandy Slocum, Chair.
9. Conference Program—Jenna Penfield, Chair, Jolene Annen, Yvonne Bibro, Anne Bradley, Michelle Collins, Julie Erickson, Lynda Flykt, Grant Forsyth, Tracy Howe, Lisa Kontz, Pat Krauth, Lori Lofrano, Nancy Menssen, Teri Nielsen, Melissa Rossow, Sandy Slocum, Jennifer Stanfield, John Stark, Karen Strandemo, Rich Thielman, Robert Tipp, Sandy Thorne, Carol Wacker, and Trygve Larsen.
10. Nominations & Elections—Sandy Thorne, Chair, Yvonne Bibro, Lynda Flykt, Grant Forsyth, and Robert Tipp.
11. Awards—Rich Thielman, Chair, Jolene Annen, Yvonne Bibro, Julie Erickson, Grant Forsyth, Nancy Manssen, Mark Ponsolle, and Sandy Slocum.
12. Website—Julie Erickson, Chair, Lou Anderson, and Rich Thielman
13. Conference Site—Grant Forsyth, Chair, Tracy Howe, Juan Martinez, Teri Nielsen, Jenna Penfield, Sandy Slocum, John Stark, Rich Thielman, Sandy Thorne, Robert Tipp, and Carol Wacker.
14. Newsletter—Tracy Howe, Chair, Lou Anderson, Julie Erickson, Grant Forsyth, Diane Hall, Trygve Larsen, Sandy Slocum, and Carol Wacker.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS—All Previously given at the annual meeting on 10/08/2007.

Motion by Mark Ponsolle, 2nd by Lynda Flykt to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Bradley
Secretary-MFSRC