South Dakota RehabACTion Annual Meeting Agenda

Date: Tuesday, October 11, 2022
Time: 5pm
Location: Best Western Ramkota, Sioux Falls SD
Current Board Members: April Schulte (Secretary), Bernie Grimme (Treasurer), Jennifer Trenhaile (VR Member at Large), (Provider Member at Large), Alicia Dohn (President), Corinna Alander (President Elect), Katie Gran (Past President)

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I) Call to order
   a) Introduction of Board Members
II) Meeting Minutes Approval (2021 annual meeting notes)
   a) Bernie moved to approve
   b) Bonnie second
   c) Motion Passed, none opposed
III) Update from President – 2022 recognition requests/board activities
   a) Recognition policy
      (i) Alicia reviewed the request process and gave examples of previous requests
      ii) Discussed some of the things that RehabACTion does including help to provide snacks during different trainings, support mission of VR, etc.
   b) 8 retirement gifts were approved and 2 memorials for Grady Kickul and Cindy Kirshman
   c) January: Increased social media
   d) March: VR Appreciation
   e) June: RehabACTion merch; grads and retirees

f) July: ADA Celebrations
g) October: NDEAM events and Fall Conference

IV) Membership Report
a) 100 members before the conference began which usually stays around 100

V) Treasurer's Report
a) Bernie Grimme reviewed the financial holdings for the RehabACTion from 1/1/2022 through 9/28/22
i) Deposits: $20,189.20
ii) Costs including total payments for appreciation funding: $8,778.57
iii) Profit/Loss: $11,410.63
iv) Checking account balance of $84,095.07
v) $9,278.24 belongs to other agencies- RehabACTion acts as the fiscal agent
vi) RehabACTion Assets were $74,816.83
vii) $2,000- set aside for provider training- due to most trainings being held virtually- this amount was not spent
b) April moved to approve
c) Eric second
d) Motion Passed, none opposed

VI) Vocational Rehabilitation Updates – Eric Weiss and Gaye Mattke
a) Eric Weiss
(i) Encouraged members to be a part of the RehabACTion board
(ii) DRS committed to providing more training to providers
1. Some of the trainings focuse will be on competitive integrated employment, customized employment, etc. and Griffin-Hammis is providing the training
2. In future, will be new training opportunities including some about supervision and leadership
3. Mentioned if providers have their CESP then there is a 25% increase in rate
4. Customized Employment rates for initial discovery phase increased 6% and recently an additional 10%

(iii) Transition services were discussed and how students with disabilities make up about 60% of the active caseloads which has exceeded expectations

(iv) Summer camps for pre-ets events will be available again this summer so agencies can apply to receive that funding

b) Gaye Mattke-

(i) Financial need is no longer needed for assistive technology devices through the SBVI VR program

(ii) Starting Oct. 1, the SBVI IL program revised the financial need criteria, and it no longer takes into account the investments of the individuals and strictly looks at annual income

(iii) SBVI as an agency is looking for drivers to drive clients and boards members PRN

(iv) In the near future, there should be a new and improved website, along with a video to highlight services provided at the SD Rehabilitation Center for the Blind

(v) The SD Rehabilitation Center for the Blind is planning to get a remodel at the beginning of 2023.

(vi) October 15- white cane awareness day- There will be a press release coming out about it and the Rehabilitation Center staff and clients are going to do walk in the area to raise awareness

1. Brookings is holding a white cane march
2. Proclamation is on the SBVI website

VII) Awards

a) CESP

(i) Autumn Pitz – SBVI – Sioux Falls

(ii) Andrea DeMaranville – Life Quest- Mitchell

b) CRC

i) Siera Madsen – SBVI - Pierre

ii) Emily Champa – DRS – Rapid City

iii) Carol Drayer – DRS – Pierre

VIII) Old Business

a) None proposed

IX) 2022-2023 Results of Election of Officers

a) President Elect – Emily Champa
b) Secretary – Shayna Remund
c) VR Member at Large – Kayla Kane
d) Member at Large – Andrea Caldwell
e) Treasurer- Bernie Grimme

X) Passing of the Gavel – Corinna Alander
a) Outgoing President, Alicia Dohn, presented with a picture in gratitude of her service

XI) New Business
a) Other feedback, suggestions, comments
i) No questions, comments, or concerns were voiced

XII) Drawing for Amazon Gift Card- Thursday at the end of conference

XIII) Meeting Adjournment
a) Katie moved to adjourn
b) Eric second
c) Motion Passed, none opposed