

KAEYC BOARD MEETING
April 8, 2011 10am-3pm
Salina – 308 S. 8th Street, Salina, KS

Committee Work

10:00 Welcome and Ice Breaker Kruckenberg

10:10 Committee Assignments Crowl/Atwater/Kruckenberg
10:15-10:40 Students, Midwest Conference; Communications/Newsletter; Director
Credential
10:45-11:45 Annual Conference; Public Policy; Elections

12:00 Lunch and committee reports

Student Group Committee

- Recruit/invite more student groups to go through the process to be recognized as an “official” student group of KAEYC.
- Thompson will make some intentional connections with the early childhood faculty of community colleges at the EQUIP meeting next week.
- Thompson is going to call DeLuccie at K-State and see if her group would want to go through the process.
- Honor all the student groups that have gone through the recognition process of KAEYC. Thompson would like to honor the student groups in the May newsletter when honoring the honorees for annual awards.
- Another thought was to have current student groups submit raffle baskets as a challenge. We would need to track how much \$\$ was brought in from the student group baskets. This money would be used to establish scholarships to attend the next KAEYC conference.

BOARD MEETING

Attendance: Angela Allison, Nancy Atwater, Deb Crowl, Elaine Edwards, Robin Eshelman, Olliea Jarrett, Anna Jenny, LeAnn Kruckenberg, Stephanie Maffei, Mary Murphy, Diane Purcell, Beth Reeder, Amber Tankersley, Teresa Thompson, Holly Turner, Robin VanAtta, and Jan Venter-Barkley

12:30 Call to Order Atwater
Approval of Minutes

12:40 Atwater called the meeting to order. Under the Treasurer’s report MidWest Regional Conference in March not February

→ [Venter-Barkely moved to approve the minutes Kruckenberg seconded Motion carried.](#)

12:40 Treasurer’s Report Edwards

Hard copies are in your folders.

Balance Sheet

The check did come from K-State from the conference so that is why our checking account balance went up quite a bit.

Profit and Loss statement

I will draw your attention to the budget column for the whole year. This is where we are as of yesterday. We are really doing pretty well with Membership. We still have several checks we will receive before the end of our fiscal year so we might make what we budgeted.

Other income-Director's Credential \$1,100

(\$1,000 received from MARC and \$100 from one person who has applied)

Expenses

Almost every bill is already in for the Public Policy Conference that board members attended last week. Edwards thought at our last meeting that we would net between \$15,000-\$16,000. However, Edwards just received a bill from the room rental so the profit from the annual conference were \$12,611.09.

Board Expense

Board mileage-It really depends on the meeting location. When we had it at Emporia it was \$495. At Topeka the cost was \$472. It will interesting to see for this meeting what the cost will be.

Executive Board Expense

We have been doing more conference calls rather than having to travel to do executive board meetings & committee meetings and pay mileage.

Public Policy-We are a little over budget because we sent more people to Leadership but our Annual Conference fee was under budget. So, we still under budget for total conference fees.

Newsletter -expenses are continuing to decline.

October \$838 with K-State

January \$552-Robin doing it.

The newsletter that just came out cost \$379 for the printing. There is probably a bulk rate cost too but we are getting the cost down.

Transaction report

The checks are out of order because Elaine forgot the checkbook in January so she used a different book to write checks that day. We are back in order for this meeting.

→ Purcell moves to approve check #'s 1048-1060 and check #'s 1121-1139. Eshelman seconded. Motion carried.

12:50

President's Report

Atwater

We adjusted the format of the meeting based on the feedback received from the evaluations of the January board meeting.

NAEYC revised their brochures. They went back to the format that will allow us to insert our information.

May 17th is a hearing for licensing regulations that are being proposed. If you have strong feelings one way or another, we encourage you to make public comments in writing or in person.

Financially, we are doing very well. However, with the cost of gasoline, Atwater proposed that we look at temporarily increasing mileage reimbursement from \$.25 a mile to \$.50 beginning this meeting. We can continue to look at gas prices at future meetings.

→ Reeder moved to increase mileage reimbursement from \$.25 to \$.50 temporarily. Maffei seconded. Motion carried

1:00 Past President Crawl & Kruckenberg
President Elect Report

Crawl-We appreciate everyone that had planned to attend Early Learning Day at the capitol before it was cancelled. Kansas Action for Children had a lot of orange brain cookies to eat. These cookies were going to be given to the legislators to symbolize how important children's brains are and early childhood.

Kruckenberg-no report

1:10 Administrator's Report VanAtta

Membership is staying stable. We currently have 556 members.

May 1st-the ballot will go out

Annual Reports are due this year on October 31, 2011

There is a new staff person at NAEYC, Edward Steirli, to help with Affiliate Member Relations.

Newsletter/Communication Committee

-The group discussed how to make the distribution of the electronic newsletters run more smoothly.

For the last newsletter, 350 were mailed, 150 did not have e-mail.

-Newsletter Builder costs \$15 a month.

Reeder-Communications Committee member recommended to the board that VanAtta subscribe to the Newsletter Builder and reduce the number of bulk mailed newsletters to a 200 maximum. Motion carried.

1:20 Old Business

Elections Crawl

The ballot is Secretary-Venter-Barkley, Treasurer-Edwards, and Members at Large Tankersley, Maffei, Kappel, and Cronister.

Atwater is appointing Reeder as Co-Conference Chair

Conference Brown

Thompson reported in absence of Brown. Committee proposed to change the tracks. Administrator changed to Administration/Leadership, and add Kindergarten/School Age track

We currently only have 7 proposals. Members of the committee are going to solicit more people to submit proposals.

The Annual Meeting will be held during the third session instead of during lunch. At retreat, we need more help with the conference committee. So, we will divide the duties into topics/subcommittees to work on stuff related to the conference. We will have another discussion on the Annual Meeting so be thinking of other options instead of at lunch.

The committee talked about creating a new evaluation tool. It's the size of a notepad.

Improving the parking situation-be more specific

Pre-sales eliminated-all merchandise will be paid on-site.

→ Reeder moved to freeze rates on the conference. Eshelman seconded. Motion carried.
We will look at this again next year.

Committee proposed that we meet at the K-State Center for Child Development for the preconference and take a tour.

Director Credential

Crowl

Forms will be updated so all stuff will be sent to VanAtta.

Brochures are available for the Director's Credential from VanAtta.

2:00

New Business

Grant – SRS and Blue Cross

Atwater

We received a \$500 grant from SRS to support professional development. This money will be used to cover a portion of our keynote speaker fee at the conference.

Blue Cross has offered us a \$50,000 grant to benefit our members. The money is flexible. They want us to purchase curriculum on healthy lifestyles or nutrition and share with our members. We will be allowed to charge a small administrative fee of 8-10 %. We discussed bringing in a speaker that would train participants and then those that participated in the training would be eligible to receive the materials and equipment for their child care program. The only stipulation on the money is that it not be used for anyone living in Johnson or Wyandotte counties.

Crowl will be the chair of the committee to work on the BSBC grant. Other board members willing to serve on the committee: Venter/Barkley, Kruckenberg, Tandersley, Maffei, Jenny and Edwards. Murphy will do consultation. The first report is due to Marlou Wagner at BCBS in September.

NAEYC just put out a new book entitled, Big Body Play: Why Boisterous, Vigorous, and Very Physical Play Is Essential to Children's Development and Learning. We could incorporate this book into this grant. (Murphy suggests that for those comprehensive members who receive the book soon, please read it.)

Salina AEYC

VanAtta

Atwater attended the SAEYC meeting April 7, 2011 in Salina to discuss dissolving the affiliate and becoming a chapter. A vote took place and between those in attendance and absentee ballots the vote conclusion was 16 yes/0 no. So, the vote was unanimous to dissolve. This will take place at the end of their current membership year in April/May. There was some discussion on changing the name to encompass more than just Salina but we will see what happens.

Accreditation

Kile

No report-absent

2:15

Public Policy Update
Written Report

Turner

Public hearing for the regulations that having changes being proposed is May 17th.

Senate bill-KBI background checks proposed by Burr as part of the Early Childhood Block Grant.

Legislative Update

Bowman

2:20

Midwest AEYC Council

Purcell

Registration is <20. We need more people. Saturday will be located at the Lawrence Art Center.

2:15

Affiliate Council

Atwater

no report

2:20

Best Team Report

Murphy

Legislature has gone home briefly. Budgets are still a work in progress. They will come back around April 27th. There is money back in the pot for Early Head Start. The money is less than what is was but at least it is there.

The Draft regulations are ready for public comment on the KDHE website www.kdheks.gov/kidsnet

The regulations pertaining to registered providers will be revoked. There are two of them.

2400 registered providers-565 as of Monday. Soon, these registered homes will be gone.

On section 113, especially, you want to pay attention to the definitions.

428

group size and ratio

428A

pre-service training hours (even for that occasional substitute)

1st Section-Orientation

Everyone needs to have an orientation. There is a list included of what needs to be covered in the orientation.

2nd Section-Health & Safety

Training-provision for those currently in business (1 year to obtain) vs. new providers/staff will have 30 days

Required training

Child Abuse & Neglect-2 clock hours

Safe Sleep/Shaken Baby/SIDS-2 clock hours

Child Development-2 clock hours

First Aid/CPR (certified)

440 Infant/Toddler units

Updated language around crib safety.

Simplified the requirements for teachers in a infant/toddler unit.

429 Program Director qualifications

Comments can be submitted in the following ways: in writing, May 17th hearing in person, snail mail, or by fax

Timetable beyond the hearing, immediately look at comments and prepare the paperwork to go along with the comments. In late June or July, they will run back through the process. July would be the earliest the regulations would go into effect perhaps around September.

→ Atwater asks us to go on the website and review the material. Early May, Atwater will send us an e-mail asking board members to vote on whether we support the regulations or not. If the majority support the regulations then Atwater will provide written testimony on behalf of KAEYC.

2:30 Agency/Organization Reports Those who represent KAEYC at meetings.

Early Learning Advocacy Council-Crowl represents KAEYC. They have not met since January.

Career Lattice-Thompson went to this meeting and felt that this would be very valuable for people in the field. They are looking at revising this lattice. The funding for this must be expended by September so it should be happening fairly soon.

2:45 Wrap Up/To Do Lists Atwater

3:00 Adjournment/Return Evaluations

Midwest AEYC Leadership Conference – April 29 and 30 in Lawrence
Next Meeting RETREAT- Tuesday, July 19 and Wednesday, July 20, 2011 in Salina