

NAMI -SCC Board Meeting

Sashmill Location, 303 Potrero, Santa Cruz

April 4, 2014, 6:00 - 7:30 P.M.

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Carol Williamson, President, called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm. Present were Carol Williamson, Louise Loots, Tina Landino, Don Hilbert, and Jorge Mendez and Sheryl Lee. Absent was Lynda Kaufmann, Rama Khalsa, Jim W., Melissa Watrous.

1. Approval of Minutes of March 3, moved by Tina, second by Louise, all approved.
2. Report on Spring Volunteer Celebration and Walk Kick Off. First time in nice venue. Huge success, 94 guests, great food, good program with Rama Khalsa as guest speaker, and nine NAMI leaders telling about their programs and honoring their volunteer teams, Walk Kick off by Melissa, guest Laurie Williams Bay Area Walk Coordinator, then a raffle. Estimated costs including raffle prizes \$1600. Income at the event \$1200. Estimated future income from getting Walkers and bus riders...?\$5000+, very worthwhile Last year's walk earned net \$14,000.
3. Discussion on PAMF Grant opportunity \$10,000. Youth programs: growing need and pilots have been working well. Good teams, schools are requesting more. Agreed to focus on Youth Programs Ending the Silence and Parents and Teachers, and community outreach In Our Own Voice. Planning for 45 ETS presentations and 6 Parents & Teachers presentations, and 45 In Our own Voice programs next school year. Estimated costs of \$130 includes stipends for presenters, coordinator, and overhead costs.

Funding for all of these through the State Stigma reduction grant will not be available next fiscal year. Board approved focus on Youth programs and Community Outreach.

Nancy Sherrod will help Carol with application process. Due by April 14 2014. Will be e-mailed to Board before submittal.

4. Sheryl Lee reported on Youth programs. Completed 1 PTasA and 30 ETS. Good reactions from schools. Parents of youth website very popular. Relationships with County Office of Education growing. Told about services for youth in the Bay Area like ASPIRE, BACA, and others, and hopes for programs opening in Santa Cruz with PAMF or Sutter.
5. Budget study session with Nancy Sherrod will be scheduled for May for Board.
6. NAMI in the new unit. Jorge Mendez, Administrator at Telecare, clarified NAMI is welcome in the lobby to meet and refer waiting families to the Thursday night support groups and classes. Also, Peer Connections Support group leaders will not need clearances for driving or background checks of TB tests .
7. Discussed invitation to new Board members Jorge Mendez, Sheryl Lee. Nomination process or appointment for vacancy? Susie stepping down from Vice Presidency but will stay on Board, Melissa accepted Vice Presidency. Don wants to be only a visitor to the board. Recommended there be an application process.
8. Finance reports presented.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm