

RCRV Board of Directors Meeting

March 16, 2011

These minutes were approved at the April 20, 2011 Board meeting.

1:30 Red Cross Building

PRESENT

RCRV members: Terry Lamb, Don Grimm, Jim Klein, Bill Ellis, Chuck Wehage, Dick Lenth, Mike Wilson, Jack Murphy, Bob Ocken, Cliff Koop, Jim Spencer

Community Service Agency members:

- Teresa Robinson- Aging Services
- Louanne Lawson- Marion School District
- Kathy Waychoff- College Community School District
- Wayne Clayton-Options of Linn County
- Angie Ehle- WRAP
- Carol Luth- Visions in Motion
- Barbara Hoffman- RSVP

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, Terry Lamb, determined that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm. 18 members were present.

MINUTES

Angie's name was misspelled and will be corrected in the 2/16/11 minutes.

Chuck Wehage moved to accept the February 16, 2011 RCRV board minutes as posted on the RCRV website. Don Grimm seconded. Motion: carried Minutes: adopted

PROGRAM

Our speaker was not able to attend today's meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

- Continued discussion on the strategic plan for 2011
 - Personal recruitment/invitation is the key- How do we do this?
 - For more fulfillment of volunteer requests, perhaps match the task with the volunteer's interest. Do we need to do an interest survey of just RCRV members?
 - Important to have new members to generate new leadership
 - Should we mentor new members?
 - Executive board needs to plan actions on how to fulfill these goals.
- 2011 RCRV Charitable Grant
 - Grant committee of Bob Clark, chairman, Don Grimm, Barbara Hoffman, Bob Ocken, Mike Wilson will meet after the grant due date May 2, 2011
- Update on by-laws
 - Terry suggested members forward needed changes to the by-laws to the executive committee.

NEW BUSINESS

- Ideas for RCRV status presentation to RCI (summer/fall)
 - Value of hours- impact statement
 - Talk to Cindy Dietz about what would work best

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PARTNER AGENCY REPORTS-

1 . Louanne Lawson- Marion School District

The new middle school should be ready for move-in the first week of May.

2. Wayne Clayton- Options of Linn County

Since our last board meeting, we shared information with other agencies on the RCRV grant opportunity. We also have some switches in need of repair.

3. Teresa Robinson- Aging Services

Transportation drivers are always needed as well as CHORE volunteers. A new project for Aging Services is collecting stories of growing up in Eastern Iowa. The stories will be shared on Aging Services website, newsletter and in The Gazette.

4. Angie Ehle- WRAP

A successful WRAP volunteer appreciation breakfast was held March 1 at St. Luke's. In cue are 12 ramps and 1 ramp removal.

5. Kathy Waychoff- College Community Schools

College Community Schools is looking for volunteers to serve as Reading Mentors to read to and work with children of various ages. We have more and more students who do not have adults to read to them and it effects their reading development. Any amount of time volunteered is appreciated, however, consistency is important so we ask at least one visit per week. Contact Kathy Waychoff, district volunteer coordinator, at 848-5224 or at kwaychoff@prairiepride.org to sign up to help. Thank you.

6. Carol Luth- Vision in Motion

Kenya team has returned after another successful trip. VIM is beginning to prepare for Talent Fest. They are looking for judges and videographers.

7. Barbara Hoffman- RSVP

RSVP has completed signing Memorandum of Understandings with its partner agencies. There have been 16 new RSVP volunteers to date this year. Reported hours through 2/28/11 are 253 volunteers reporting 8,145 hours. We always have a slow start and work up to a grand finish at the end.

RCRV COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

Community Projects- John McDonough

- We repaired a faucet for Vision in Motion.
- We worked on St Luke's Witwer Children's Astronaut Boards as well as other projects.
- RCRV Grant Theme is assistive devices for the handicapped
- We are providing instructors for the Pierce Kindergarten Science classes
- The Space Shuttle program at Pierce will be delayed due to Art Roderick's illness
- We are supporting the Lego programs at Wright school and the 4 Oaks Bridge non-competitive programs.
- Aging services has 11 inspections in line for us to do for them.
- WRAP has 11 ramps and 1 teardown in queue when we start-up in the spring.

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- We continue to support the REACT Center
- The Options of Linn County cash register software update has been completed
- We support the First Tech robotics activities
- We are providing support to the SHIP program in the area providing counselling to folks who request help
- Witwer needs drivers for their Meals on Wheels program
- GWAEA has a need for building several of the Lenth designed Bean Bag Board as well as some more big ball launchers
- We received a request from Christine Le, Washing HS teacher who needs about 15 RCRV folks to assist her with “at risk” 9th and 10th graders for a 5 week project in which we will act as mentor. We will be interviewed by Washington students. The students will then create a “museum” from our comments about the growth of Cedar Rapids as seen in our eyes.
- Again, we provide support to many area non-profit agencies.

If you can dream it, we can do it

Data Base Committee Report- Jim Klein

- Database was updated for obituaries from Wilma Shadle.
- I received the new retiree list from Rockwell Collins for the months of December, January, February and March and added them to the database.
- I made a separate address file of the new retirees and sent it to Rockwell Collins to add to the mailing list I sent earlier. I did not hear back if they made it for the recent mailing or not.
- I also sent the names to Barb Hoffman so she can send welcome letters to them.

Recruiting/Retention - Barbara Hoffman

- One new RCRV member this month- Peg Toms, Arlo’s daughter. She is helping her mother with the bean bag project for VIM.
- Terry Lamb has signed the “Welcome to Retirement” letter and the letter is ready to be sent to recently retired Rockwell Collins employees.
- As of today, 107 RCRV members have reported 3,698 hours.
- An impact statement showing the wide variety of volunteer jobs in which RCRV members are involved was given to those attending the meeting.

Communications- Jim Green

The newsletter has been sent. Jim is working on ideas for the next newsletter. Please submit any ideas/articles that would be good to include in The Volunteer.

Agency Liaison- Chuck Wehage - not a report today.

ADJOURNMENT

Terry Lamb adjourned the meeting at 2:45

The next board meeting will be April 20 at 1:30 Red Cross building.

Submitted by Barbara Hoffman, secretary