

CAPFAA Council Meeting
Friday, February 24, 2006

Present: Joe Martinkovich, Henry Miller, Bernie Shea, Patty Delbuono, Beth Baker, Sandra Vitale, Flo LaCroix, Jim Kuhlen, Andrew Foster. Odette Frankeskino.

Meeting started 1:11 p.m.

President's Report—absent

Beth reviewed minutes from January meeting. Asked if anyone had any changes to be made. Motion made to approve minutes from Joe 2nd motion by Henry Miller.

Treasurer's Report: Flo LaCroix

Waiting for enrollment verifications to come back from scholarship recipients.

Scholarship recipient from Manchester CC left and transferred out of state CD's to mature March 6th. Need to decide what to with money coming due. \$10,000 outstanding making effort to collect outstanding debt.

Henry suggested looking at investing money into new CD with current rate at 4.75% or higher. Henry will forward information to Flo regarding new rates for CD's

Winter Conference-John Giordano

Scholarship Committee-Beth Baker

Waiting for applications to come in. Meeting will be held early April to select recipients.

Tentative CAPFAA planning retreat dates June 15th and 16th? Beth asked for suggestions for facilities to hold retreat. Henry suggested Best Western at the Silas Dean Highway. Beth will plan on holding retreat June 15th and 16th. Beth will find a facility to hold retreat.

Past President-Vanessa Richmond

Done with directory. Vanessa asked if anyone didn't receive their directory to contact her and she will forward the directory to them.

Electronic Voting signed up for CAPFAA positions—Vanessa has spreadsheet of all voting members together.

Still talking to people about running for office. Can use some more people who are interested in running for officer positions. Not many responses for nominations for awards.

Anyone with suggestions for officer positions please contact Vanessa.

April 14, 2006 Vanessa to send information to Electronic Voting Company.

Voting will begin tentatively May 15, 2006.

Close elections May 31, 2006.

Training Committee- Patty Delbuono

Tax workshop worked out well-food crisis-cafeteria closed at Rensselaer.

Vendors –Dan Dreeves, Kari, Jason and Brian all chipped in and bought pizzas.

Generated \$7,395 income from workshop.

Evaluations asked that location of workshop be held at different location. Discussion took place regarding a new location for workshop next year. Possible to hold workshop for one day only and possible to include IM methodology case studies at end of day.

March training registration is live- 16 people registered to date

Amanda and Cathy Gaylord will join training committee next year.

Development Committee-Kimber Decker

Absent

Kimber will be sending \$5,000 check

Kimber sent Rich vendor breakdown

Will work on development for 06-07 along with 2 committee members.

Are vendors happy with what their getting from CAPFAA for their distribution.

Annual Business Meeting-Bernie Shea.

Met with Kelly from Mountainside.

No new attractions—price remains same.

Possible bocci ball tournament

April registration will go live.

Cost of event \$25 per person.

Ethics-Henry Miller

Strategic Planning Committee-absent

Golf Tournament-Joe Martinkovich

Target for end of September—will be changing location. Looked at 8 courses. Will follow up to see what is available for food, etc. Make event reasonable in price. Goals: Communication with number of golfers that will actually golf. Looking for 12 foursomes.

Will meet in March. Will discuss moving tournament from September to May.

Newsletter- Julie Lei

Absent

Jill Wurcel has agreed to be Co-Chair for the Newsletter committee for the upcoming year.

Graduate and Professional Concerns Committee-Odette Frankescino

Had three meetings to date. No resolve to listserv issue yet—will work with Jim Kuhlen to try and resolve issue. Committee published an article in the January Newsletter explaining its progress and goals to the membership.

20 people on committee.

Co-hosting a mini-session with CAPFAA Training Committee on March 30 at Quinnipiac University. Presenters will be Dino Koff and Michele Chamley from Vermont Law School.

EASFAA Report- Odette Frankescino

Conference held May 7-10, 2006 in Burlington, VT. Odette will discuss registering the CAPFAA logo with the EASFAA members and see what needs to be done for us to register CAPFAA logo. Odette provided membership research on what other states do for membership dues to their professional financial aid organization.

Odette has an EASFAA meeting this weekend in Vermont.

Strategic Planning-Beth Baker

Met in February. Robyn will compile responses.

Beth asked for suggestion on where committee needs to go from here?

Odette asked if all schools vote? Vanessa stated there are only 55 voting members.

Vanessa posted 3 issues to CAPFAA list serve for discussion:

- Active members: Institutional vs. Individual
- Associate Membership: Who should be eligible?
- Associate Membership Details: Institutional vs. Individual
- Vending vs. Membership
- Running for office and voting rights

Discussion took place to allow a vendor have a seat on the CAPFAA committee to represent the vendors.

Vanessa will send an email to listserv to for above discussion-vendor to be allowed to run as an associate member position in CAPFAA committee—position will be limited to possibly secretary or committee chair—not executive council position.

Key issue: Henry asked if an associate member be allowed to run for office?

Discussion took place about CAPFAA not having a membership committee.

Joe said there are many schools in CT are not members of CAPFAA.

Not reaching out enough to draw in membership.

Try to bring in new members can be overseen by past-president.

Suggestion was made for committee chairs to send out reminders before their committees start up to send email to listserv for new members.

Early Awareness-Ivette Rivera-Dryer
Absent

FA fair for Education Counselor Fair-Andrew Foster
Meeting scheduled for March
Aqua Turf for October 13, 2006. Deposit was sent out.
Will start planning process in March.

Mentoring, Diversity and Multi-Cultural-Neville Brown
Absent-due to emergency
Neville will wait to submit Mentee for a Day for NASFAA Service to the Profession award. Will present it to CAPFAA executive committee so CAPFAA is aware of proposal and evaluate what is in proposal.

Proprietary Concerns-absent

Constitution By-laws and History-Henry Miller
No report. This committee should work along with Strategic Committee.

Ethics-Henry Miller
Goal to work with Winter Conference Committee-have state ethics person come to speak at winter conference. Henry will contact John Giordano.

Early Awareness-absent

Electronic Initiatives-Jim Kuhlen
Routine business.
Reimbursement form now working.
Sandy to send all minutes from June planning retreat and past CAPFAA minutes to present.
Annual Business meeting June 2005. 1st one I completed send to Jim.

Old Business: Flo questioned student going to Springfield College—is she still eligible to receive scholarship? Beth to look into this.

Joe suggested declaration added to application and have student sign addendum acknowledging all criteria for scholarship and be sent along with receipt of scholarship to student. Notification letter stated need to meet eligibility criteria for 2nd disbursement.

Beth will bring criteria for scholarship to next meeting for review. Beth made motion to override rule to pay student \$500 scholarship. Patty 2nd motion. Beth asked all in favor? Motion carried.

New Business: Volunteerism
Comprehensive Training-scheduled for May.

Next meeting March, 17 2006.
Meeting adjourned-3:24 p.m.