NIARN Board Meeting Minutes

Date: November 4, 2015

Time: 5:30pm

Location: Independence Plus

Members Present: Irene Tranowski, Diane LaPorta, Nancy Tafoya, Karen Berhinig, Naomi Seef, Mary Gollinger, Sally Strong

Visitor: Crystal Frantilla

Topic	Discussion	Resolution	Responsible Parties
WELCOME	Crystal Frantilla a nurse manager from RIC who is interested in NIARN participation.		
Review of Limb Loss			
Conference	Well attended, over 100 attendees Irene shared the Therapist comments eval were mostly 4 or 5s and comments were good, except for a couple who stated there was overlap of information. Nursing evals are still not available on the site. Treasurer report for conference attached. We had a profit of \$2725.03,	Group took a vote on recommendation to split with eth Advocate Limb loss committee. Group unanimous, with the condition it spent on the Limb loss support group for patient and we would receive a letter agreeing to this.	ENTIRE board
Treasurer Report	we had a profit of \$2725.05,		
•	Balance: approx. \$14,000, a couple outstanding checks.		Diane LaPorta
Next Program	Marian joy is helping a DM all day p[program with Barb Bancroft in May, so we will not have a DM program in Spring as previously considered. An Educator from RIC contacted Naomi And Diane recently about	More discussion after we have more information.	ENTIRE board

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	sponsoring a NIARN program at		
	RIC. They would like to get their		
	nurses more involved in NIARN.		
	There are several questions we		
	asked Crystal to investigate with		
	Natalie.		
	• Is there RIC approval for a		
	NIARN program from		
	their Education academy		
	 All day or an evening 		
	program		
	• Dates		
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Charitable donations 2016	Discussion of what and how much	Group took a vote and agreed to	Diane
	to donate to charities with a Rehab	donate \$1000 each to Illinois	
	focus.	Brain Injury Association and	
		Chicago Lighthouse.	
Website	Reviewed the current NIARN		
Website	website on the screen, all agreed it		
	is outdated. Group agreed we still		
	want to use an outside vendor to		
	mage the website but are open to		
	pursue other vendors. Diane shared the current vendor contract		
	is due in the next month or so.		
	Group agreed to		
	1) Update the content	Sally has agreed to review the	
		content and suggest edits to be	
		sent to the current vendor.	
	2) Investigate other vendors		
	3) Try to find a Board	Mary Gollinger will investigate	
	member in future who	other Website vendors.	
	agrees to take		
	responsibility to keep		
	website updated and		
	current (has a passion for		
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	this)	
Next Meeting: January 13, 2016 Time: 5:30 pm Location: Maggianos in Pak Brook for a holiday celebration!		

Respectfully submitted: Naomi Seef