

Northern Community Mediation Monthly Board Meeting, March 12, 2004

Present: J. Rohe, P. Bloom, T. Prymuszewski, J. Ryan, K. Williams, L. Fantini, K. Winter,
L. Blanchard, F. Mulhauser, R. Kiogima

Meeting called to order by President J. Rohe

Staff Presentation

Kathy Lane, PPMP (Permanency Planning Mediation Program)

- mediation in child abuse and neglect cases
- program is 5 years old in Chrlx. and Em. counties, almost 3 years old in Cheboygan
- handling the most cases in the state, very dependent on supportive Probate judges
- 52 cases in '03 (goal was 50), 16 referrals already in '04
- PPMP office moving into Charlevoix City Hall

Training

Conducted Conflict Management training for Charlevoix Police Department
Their caseload included 300 crimes, 600 accidents and 4000 community service activities
Focusing on people skills and conflict management makes sense.
COPS-Community Oriented Policing Service, new movement in public safety
NCM would like to develop this training and offer it to other departments and agencies

- May13-15 state level PPMP training
- 40 hour mediators training June 3-5, June 10-12
- NCM has proposed training Americorps members in the Char/Em school district. Their focus in the public schools is conflict resolution.

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve made by F. Mulhauser, seconded by K. Winter.
Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Financial reports presented.
\$7,000 approved from Revenue Sharing Board distribution.
Payments from the two counties will arrive soon.
Motion to approve reports made by L. Blanchard, seconded by P. Bloom.
Motion carried.

Executive Director's Report

- A) Case report numbers are ahead of '03 cases for the 1st quarter
- B) Director is speaking to the Bar Association in May
- C) Unemployment insurance may be offered through the Michigan 501 Alliance
- D) Suggests presenting a Peace Making award
- E) Advertising and PSA's are ongoing
- F) Numerous grants are outstanding:
 - United Way \$2000 fee for service fund
 - Zonta \$350 to defray moving costs
 - E. Jordan Rotary \$350 for web site design
 - Charlevoix Lions to defray moving costs

Action Items

\$3930 requested for technology updates to copier and computers

Motion to approve request made by L. Fantini, seconded by P. Bloom. Motion carried.

\$1287 requested for Camp Daggett Ropes Course training for mediators.

Motion to approve made by P. Bloom, seconded by L. Fantini. Motion carried

Turn-over of two certificates of deposit requested.

6 mo. \$5,000 plus interest

12 mo. \$5,000 plus interest

Motion to approve made by L. Fantini, seconded by J. Prymuszewski, Motion carried.

Committee reports

None

Motion to adjourn made by F. Mulhauser. Seconded by K. Winter. Motion carried

Next meeting, Friday, April 2

(Note: April Meeting was cancelled . Good Friday. Spring Break. No quorum.)

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa G. Blanchard