

**Northern Community Mediation  
Board Meeting  
Thursday, May 14, 2009  
City Park Grill, Petoskey**

Board Members present: Steve Tresidder, Bill Lovett, Ted Teller, Pat Seagmen, Lisa Hoyt, Dr. Roger Postmus, Connie Saltonstall, Toni Arthur, Mary Faculak, Joel Wurster

Board Members absent: Julie Hall, Bruce Herbert, Ray Kiogima, B.J. Shawn

Staff Present: none

Steve called the meeting to order at 12:10pm.  
Introductions were made.

Minutes:

The minutes of the March 2009 board meeting were approved. Moved by Dr. Roger Postmus, seconded by Bill Lovett.

Treasurer's Report:

Theatre Party revenues were slightly (approx. \$700) under budget.

Y-T-D cash position is good compared to last year and we are \$7000 over budget on revenue at this time.

Treasurer's report approved, moved by Dr. Roger Postmus, seconded by Mary Faculak.

Executive Directors Report:

Jane Millar was not in attendance as she is attending the Executive Directors Meeting for the CDRP centers in the state in Lansing.

In Jane Millar's absence, Steve updated the board on the following:

1. Y-T-D caseload numbers are holding steady.  
2. Collection rate on fees for services has dropped slightly. Difficult to collect from no-shows. Discussed the 3 sources of revenue, and potential budget cuts through the state.

3. Trainings

3.a. Advanced-Mediator, Update Training held 2/27/09

3.b. Victim-Offender Reconciliation Program held 3/24/09.

3.c. General-Civil 40-Hour Training was held in April.

The net cost for these trainings was \$925. This loss was substantially less than expected due to the increased number of participants who paid training fees.

Overall, the trainings were very successful, with a possibility of six or seven new mediators coming on board.

4. Grants

4.a. Bay Harbor Foundation-outcome of \$3600 Child Protection grant will be determined in December.

4.b. Charlevoix Lion's Club - applied for a \$600 grant for a portable printer and phones.

5. Theatre Party - proceeds were slightly less than budgeted due to decreased sponsorships and ticket sales. Profit is \$5883, approximately \$700 less than budget.
6. Lisa Hill, student intern, completed her NCMC internship on May 8<sup>th</sup>.
7. Mediator Roundtable – to be held on May 27<sup>th</sup> from 4-5 pm. Roundtable is held a few times a year. It will be an open forum where mediators and staff can discuss current issues and ask questions.
8. Petoskey Chamber Business Expo – participated in the Expo held at Odawa Casino on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Attendance was 300+ this year.
9. New VORP Brochure was distributed.
10. Technology Workshop – Jane attended.
11. Stimulus Package for Non-Profits Webinar – Jane viewed the webinar in April. There will be no money to benefit NCM from this package.
12. Meetings with Directors of Nursing Homes – meetings were held with Ruth at Sunnybank (Petoskey and Charlevoix). There is interest in the mediation program for patients and families.
13. Presentations
  - 13.a. Petoskey Lion’s Club - presentation made
  - 13.b. Bank of Northern Michigan – presentation made
  - 13.c. Charlevoix Kiwanis Club – presentation to be made at next meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- BJ Shawn has resigned from the Board. We currently have 2 positions open.
- Tenant (Freshwater Future) has vacated our building-currently looking for a new tenant.
- Connie inquired about Advanced Mediator Update Training—Steve recommended the program held in Plymouth in March.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00pm. Moved by Connie, seconded by Joel.

Next Meeting:

Our July board meeting will be on Thursday, July 9th at Giuseppe’s in Charlevoix.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Pat Seagmen, Secretary

