



Northern Community Mediation

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Board Retreat

On Tuesday, February 27, Northern Community Mediation held its annual Board Retreat from 4:30pm to 8:00pm at the Boyne City Tap Room. After ordering dinner and some time for socializing, President Bob Banner called the meeting to order. He summarized results from the 2017 board retreat and then thanked Chelsea Platte, Kate Scollin and Christian Smith for serving on the Strategic Planning Committee. During the past year, they worked on consolidating the ideas generated from the 2017 retreat.

In that all of the program ideas from the 2017 retreat were dependent upon funding, their recommendation for the 2018 retreat was to focus on increasing revenue producing resources. This resulted in the creation of four committees: fundraising, state lobbying efforts, county/local funding efforts and other programming. Since the staff of NCM was in the best position to address the revenue producing program, the board focused on the first three initiatives.

As each of the committee members worked on their respective charges (part of the time eating dinner while doing so), exciting, tangible goals were established along with appropriate action plans. Throughout 2018, the Board will continue to implement its plan of action.

Kudos also needs to be given to DJ Jones, Executive Director of the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation. His leadership as the facilitator of the workshop created an atmosphere of open exchange of ideas that led to productive results.

Northern Community Mediation is a non-profit organization that provides an alternative means of resolving conflict. Trained mediators, who meet with the parties involved in a dispute, facilitate so that the individuals themselves can resolve the conflict

Anyone interested in learning more about Northern Community Mediation should contact Dr. Jane Millar at 231.487.1771.

Pictured left to right: Bottom Row: Chelsea Platte, Kate Scollin; Middle Row: Stuart Fenton, Bob Banner, Jane Millar, Liisa Morley, Hugh Conklin, Christian Smith; Back Row: Ed Engstrom, Brian Kasiborski, Kirstyn Horan, Bill Meengs, Mark Fralick

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