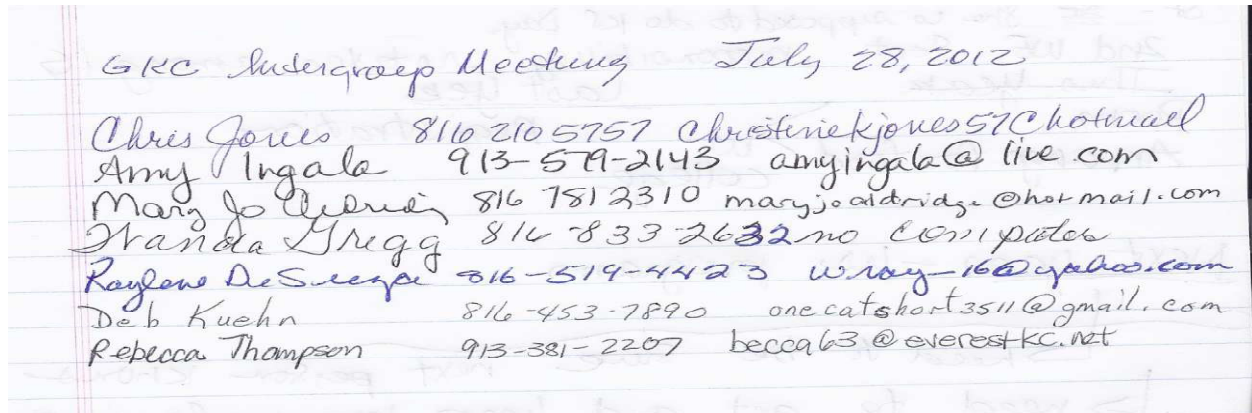


GKCAI Meeting Minutes July 28, 2012

Attendance



Where are those meeting sign in sheets Ray made? We have copies. The meeting book isn't here this week.

Last month's minutes, there are two corrections:

- Fall Retreat- voted on to allow \$300 to be given to speakers in advance, if they need it to travel.
- Group Reports - 6 pm Tuesday needs support.
- MSP (motioned/seconded/passed)
- **ADDED BY AMY WHEN TYPING NOTES – Amy was given permission to purchase and reimburse 2 flash drives for saving records for retreat process.

Region 4 Convention – Shirley F.

- Expenses doubled due to above expected participation number.
- Compensation given to Harris the ventriloquist
- Comments on what people thought of entertainment provided by our area: Enjoyed ARF an acronym, enjoyed the dog and the ventriloquist

Treasurer's Report (See attached May and June) – Chris J.

- May expense for supplies \$26.19, office supplies: paper, envelopes, etc.
- June donation details listed at bottom of page
- Need a name to go with an address. There is a group that mailed in money. The address on the envelope is a law firm. The treasurer wants to mail a receipt but doesn't want to mail a receipt to a business without an "attention to" name. Donation is from Sat. 0930 meeting.

ONGOING PLANNING/EVENTS

Super Saturday Aug 18 – Wanda •Set to go. Flyer is on the area website. Theme is step 11

Retreat Report –Amy & Mary Jo

- Clarify \$300 up front is not total cost for retreat expenses
- Here is a list of expenses IG will be covering for the retreat speakers:

Gas - the cost of all gas (not mileage) will be reimbursed

Meals - Meals will be served at the retreat center, \$15.00 per meal per person budget while traveling

Hotel reimbursement of up to \$100.00 each way to break up the drive

2 Rooms for 2 nights at the retreat center

- Amy and Chris will work on a manual for the retreat after the retreat is over. Using word of mouth regarding is not providing direction on what IG needs to do
- Amy needs to call Cindy L. R4 rep about region paying for speaker expenses, there had been a motion to have this done at a region gathering – Amy LM for Cindy 7/28/12
- Next planning meeting: Tuesday 8/21/12, 7:00 p.m., St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 722 N. Reynolds, Kansas City, KS (after Tuesday meeting) **AGENDA – CREATING THE PROGRAM
- Mary Jo reported on flyers, requested help printing colored copies, they are expensive. Chris will assist. The copy cost increases with copy quality. Where to get copies in light of cost and quality is under consideration.
- Color master copies and black and white copies will be mailed to the groups
- Collecting addresses for mailing
- Sent around meeting list and asked IG Reps and attendees at this meeting to let MJ know what meetings they could deliver flyers to
- Let Treasurer know if you need money is needed to cover retreat expenses and she will reimburse. Right now we are saving receipts for future reimbursement

NEW BUSINESS

REVIEW QUALIFICATION FOR OFFICERS

Read by-laws for requirements for serving on IG. It is important to have IG reps because IG chair positions require one year service as IG rep to serve. Sometimes exceptions are made when qualified candidates aren't available. When the same group rotates IG reps monthly no one person gets in the time required to serve in an IG chair position and the candidate pool decreases. Members do need to be present to be voted into office in October. Nominations will be made in September, presence not required.

Getting guidelines for IG organized/up to date

In an effort to organize instructions for incoming representatives a small group meeting of the person's at today's meeting will take place at Shirley's on Labor Day:

Home# 816-841-2529, Cell# 816-651-5997

1302 NE 76th St, Gladstone, MO 64118 (2 blocks east North Oak)

11:00 a.m. to whenever, pot luck, Shirley will supply meat and beverages

The objective is to update IG manuals. Amy (retreat chair) needs to have an outline for the retreat ready by this date.

Hotline Report – Raylene

Only receiving random sales calls. She checks the hotline only once a because of lack of activity. The number is not well published which begs the question "How can we get better PI and get the information out there?"

- Shirley made a plug for the importance of PI activity

- Positive and negative comments about nursing students coming to meetings, general consensus is health care workers may send people to “OPEN” OA meetings
- IG literature rep has many pamphlets for professionals
- Raylene is considering position as PI rep
- In some areas OA has signs (advertisements) on public buses
- Shirley suggested we might consider designating a portion of the budget to PI and get the word out

Kansas Day

2nd Saturday in September each year. Our area rotates service commitments with other IG's nearby, last year we handled registration, THIS YEAR, Shirley reserved the room and set up a buffet lunch, NEXT YEAR, we are responsible for the program. We must be sure this is passed on to members rotating into service positions.

Novelty items for sale

Amy would like to check into purchasing novelty items to have for sale at local events. Amy will look into this and get back and report at next IG meeting.

Group reports

Independence - well, 10-12 attendees

Sunday CCC – attendance down

Liberty – going good

NKCH Saturday - 7-10 attendees, has ups and downs, gets new attendees but they aren't returning, they field lots of calls

Tuesday KCK – Updated info on WSO website, had 5 people a few weeks ago, still need support