"WITH A LITTLE HELP...", Inc. Board Meeting

Saturday, January 7, 2012 1:30 PM Franklin Public Library

Present: Linda Lee, Donna Palkowski, Jean Wiza, Mary Kay Lee, Tom Downs, Scott Uhlman, Samantha Kostowicz, Kelly Zolinski, Sara Rahn, Jeff Martinkoski

Absent: Erica Andres

Guests: Mike Zolinski, Josette Buehlman

Meeting called to order at 1:37

11/05/2011 Minutes

Changes / additions: Camp date should be changed to 2012

Motion: Scott Seconded: Tom

01/04/12 Financial Report

Checking acct beginning balance:	\$18,854.02
Revenues:	\$ 5045.39
Expenses:	\$17,001.95
Checking acct ending balance:	\$ 6897.46

M & I Bank Money Market: \$47,160.85

Putnam Money Market: \$ 8618.61

Net worth 01/04/2012 \$ 62,676.92

The money market accounts are not making any money right now. Mary Kay suggested we consolidate them into one account. Sarah suggested we look into an ING account. We'll vote on the issue at our next meeting.

Motion: Jeff Seconded: Tom

Summer Camp 2012

Dates are 07/28-08/03/12. Camp will start on Sat late afternoon for campers & volunteers. We'll have to provide a meal. Applications will be sent out on 03/01, due back by 04/01 & confirmations out by 05/01/12.

Tom would prefer a different on-line application. When the current one is printed it re-formats and is difficult to read. Linda will talk to Tom Ciufo about making some changes.

We need some ideas for themes & activities. Mardi Gras has been suggested but for only 1-2 days. Linda suggested we do a pinewood derby again. Sara will look into doing a murder mystery. Bring more ideas to the next board meeting.

The Corvette Club would like to spend Thursday night at the castle.

Website Revision

Changes have been made to the verbage on the website. Tom is re-doing the website with advisement from Mike Hlavenka. Anticipated completion date is 03/01/12.

Logo Design Contest

Mary Kay passed around some suggestions and preferences were indicated by the board members. Additional submissions will be considered. When we have five or six we will send it out to the membership for a vote. The new logo will be revealed at camp.

Fundraising

Year round raffle – There are about 200 tickets that need to be distributed yet and we need an update from those that have tickets to see how they're doing on their sales. Jeff is working on this. Linda & Mary Kay need an update by 01/15/2012. All tickets must be sold by 01/30/2012. Candy bars – Donna will get more to sell.

Scrip Program – The program really hasn't taken off so we're going to scrap the program and concentrate on other fundraising activities.

Buffalo Wild Wings 01/23/2012 at the Oak Creek restaurant. 10% of the total bill is received but the customers have to bring in one of our flyers. The flyer has to be shown at the time of check out. We can't hand them out at the restaurant. 5-10 PM. Flyers will be emailed out to our group again so the membership can distribute them to friends and family prior to the event.

Fondy chairs – Linda will make sure they are still available, pick them up and store them until we decide what to do with them. Suggestions were to put the new logo on the bag or chair, sell them at the Oak Creek rummage sale, give them to camp volunteers or use them as door prizes. Kringle sale - Jean & Linda will do the Kringle sale again this spring.

Karen's shoes – Sara has some at her apartment. She has sold some and is selling more on Ebay. Thank you Sara for taking on this project.

WC Forum – Our organization is being considered to receive a donation from this group that sponsors an insurance related seminar every year.

Qdoba & Quaker Steak & Lube – Offers a fundraiser similar to Buffalo Wild Wings. We'll consider doing this in the spring.

Milwaukee Admirals – Chooses a charity per game and then they raffle off jerseys at the end of the game and give the proceeds to the charity.

Christmas cookie sale at Country Springs – It's a lot of work for very little profit. Vendors must make 250 dozen cookies to sell. It was decided this was too labor-intensive for not much profit.

Newsletter

Will go out at the end of January or beginning of February. Scott will have the sponsorship form included in it. There are 3 tiers of sponsorship levels. Please review the sponsorship form and letter and let Linda know if there is any feedback.

<u>Activities</u>

Wheelchair soccer (Tyler) – Sara will check on future dates.

MDA Muscle Walk –Sun March 25, 2012 from noon to 4 PM at the Petit Center. Erica has put together a team. Robin from MDA will allow us to do a bake sale which will be coordinated by Samantha.

Future meeting dates

Sat March 10, at 1:30 at Mike & Kelly's in Cottage Grove Sat April 28, place & time to be determined.

Adjourned at 3:25 PM

Motion: Donna Seconded: Scott

Respectfully submitted, Jean Wiza