

# International Vasa Previa Foundation, Inc.

## Executive Committee Meeting Minutes for 7 March 2005

### Executive Committee members present:

- Amy Brown Gaghagen, President
- Debi Pederson, Vice President
- Cindy Paris, Secretary / Membership, Nominating Committee Chairperson, Acting Education Committee Chairperson
- Victoria Goldstein, Treasurer / PR Committee Chairperson

### IVPF Committee chairpersons present:

- None

Kathy Blades, Support Committee chairperson was not in attendance

Trina Perrone, Fundraising Committee chairperson was not in attendance

Beth Farman-Farmaian, Research Committee chairperson was not in attendance

### Others present:

None

Meeting began at 16:02 GMT (10:02 AM CST)

Executive Committee Minutes from 21 February 2005 were unavailable for approval.

### **Agenda:**

- Officer Reports
- Treasury Reports
- Chapter Reports
- Membership Committee Report
- Public Relations Committee Report
- Research Committee Report
- Fundraising Committee Report
- Education Committee Report
- Support Committee Report
- Nominating Committee Report
- Old Business
- New Business

### **Officer Reports:**

- President
  - No report given.
- Vice President
  - No report given.
- Secretary
  - No report given.
- Treasurer
  - Note: not all of the funds from Sophie's Walk are in yet.
  - USA

- Donations and interest: \$ 240.00
- Expenses: \$ 0
- Total cash on hand: \$ 47,954.58
- In-kind donations: \$0
- Thank-you notes sent to donors: 5
- UK
  - Donations and interest: £0
  - Expenses: £0
  - Total cash on hand: £828.11
  - In-kind donations: £0
  - Thank-you notes sent to donors: 0

### **Membership:**

- Monthly members meeting took place in the general room of the Vasa Previa Chat Cafe on 2 March at 1 PM CST. No one attended.

### **Public Relations:**

- No report given.

### **Research:**

- Cindy asked Marlou for an Excel list of hospital mailing addresses for the Netherlands, who said she would work on getting us a list.
- Victoria did not meet with Jason Birnholz, MD of the IVPF Medical Advisory Board due to his trip being postponed.

### **Fundraising:**

- It was suggested and agreed that Victoria and Cindy send out email about the walk and try to have at least one meeting to start it off. IVPF will also send email to ask people if they are interested in coordinating the walk in their area this year. Cindy will contact two IVPF members who said they might be interested in coordinating the walk.

### **Education Committee Report:**

- Josh and Carly Vester wish to do school projects on vasa previa. Carly needs to write a letter to an elected official for her National semester project and Josh needs to do a report for Health class. Cindy suggested materials from the press room and the IVPF statement on risk factors, etc for Josh; and gave Dr. Oyelese's email address for Carly as she needs to speak with someone involved in the studies.
- Yinka Oyelese MD, Kathy Blades, Cindy Paris, and Amy Gaghagen are tentatively scheduled to attend the AIUM's Annual Convention in Orlando, FL in June 2005. AIUM booth will be reserved this week. Victoria will look into getting the rooms reserved.
- Debi Pederson saw Dr. Ezzat, an OB/GYN in Saskatoon regarding that has lectured about vasa previa before. She will contact him to see if he will be attending the 2005 ISUOG Worldwide Convention taking place in Vancouver in September. Victoria will contact Dr. Hobbins and the IVPF Medical Advisory Board to see if they are attending this and/or the AIUM Annual Convention in June.

### **Support Committee Report:**

- Information on survivor grief is being compiled for the website. This is thought to be very important, as so many parents have difficulties even years later dealing with overwhelming anger,

grief and feelings of helplessness, even if their child survives.

**Nominating Committee Report:**

- No report given.

**Old Business:**

- None.

**New Business:**

- Claudia DiVirgilio was unanimously approved as IVPF participating member.
- It was unanimously agreed to approve IVPF attendance and expenses for the AIUM Annual Convention with expenses expected to be approximately \$2000.00. These monies should cover booth fees, materials, and travel expenses, not including convention display materials which would be usable for all conventions.

**The next regular IVPF Executive Committee meeting will take place on Monday, 21 March 2005 at 16:00 GMT (10:00 AM CST, 11:00 AM EST) in the Board room of the Vasa Previa Chat Café.**

Meeting Adjourned at 17:12 GMT (11:12 AM CST)