

International Vasa Previa Foundation, Inc.

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes for 25 July 2005

Executive Committee members present:

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

Debi Pederson, Vice President was on vacation but gave her proxy to Cindy Paris.

IVPF Committee chairpersons present:

- None

Kathy Blades, Support Committee chairperson was not in attendance

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

Jacqueline Mullikin, Fundraising Committee chairperson was not in attendance due to technical difficulties.

Others present:

- None

Meeting began at 16:00 GMT (10:00 AM CST)

Executive Committee Minutes from 11 July 2005 were unanimously approved for archival and distribution.

The next IVPF Monthly Members Meeting will be held 7pm CST on Wednesday, 3 Aug 2005. Cindy will host.

Agenda:

- Officer Reports
- Treasury 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
 - IVPF.org is now live!
 - IVPF web address has been changed to IVPF.org on IVPF email stationeries, the Yahoo email group sites, and Bravenet forms handler. Conversion of other documents is in progress
- Treasurer
 - USA
Donations and interest: \$ 667.87
Expenses: \$ 728.39
Total cash on hand: \$ 48,414.08
In-kind donations: \$ 0
Thank-you notes sent to donors: 8
 - UK
Donations and interest: £ 0.00
Expenses: £ 0
Total cash on hand: £ 839.64
In-kind donations: £ 0
Thank-you notes sent to donors: 0

Membership:

- No report given.

Public Relations:

- No report given.

Research:

- No report given.

Fundraising:

- Over 800 Sophie's Walk brochures have been distributed to walk captains requesting them.
- IVPF bracelets are being sent to walk captains this week. The rest of the bracelets will be put on the IVPF store for sale at \$2 a piece plus shipping (5 piece minimum).
- Walk location pages on the website continue to be updated to provide specific walk location, day, and time of local walks.
- The Eagle's Club of Phoenix, AZ has agreed to do an annual Kareoke fundraiser to benefit the IVPF. Their first kareoke event will take place the last weekend in August 2005.
- Teresa Spurgeon asked permission to use the words "one baby step at a time" for fundraising purposes during the Eagle's Club kareoke fundraiser. Regrettably it was agreed that using IVPF wording or materials in non-IVPF sponsored fundraisers would not be in the best interest of the IVPF and this request was denied.
- At the request of Darin Spurgeon, Lehman Brothers, a global investment bank serving the financial needs of corporations, institutions, governments and high-net-worth investors worldwide, is considering a corporate donation to the IVPF.

- It was suggested and agreed that IVPF send IVPF informational brochures for the Eagle's Club Kareoke event.
- A balloon release is planned for the Boca and St. Louis walks. Walk captains will be contacted with this idea.

Education Committee Report:

- This committee needs a chairperson because performing this function presents a hardship on the current acting chairperson. It was noted that IVPF could use an additional help with website updates as well.

Support Committee Report:

- No report given.

Nominating Committee Report:

- No report given.

Old Business:

- Canadian hospital list for mailing still to be purchased. Susan is working on compiling addresses for Excel list of 95 UK hospitals representing 150 or more births per year. Info packet will be sent out to USA, UK, and Canadian hospitals as soon as list is complete and printing bids for materials is approved. No action to report on this.
- ISUOG 15th World Congress on Ultrasound in Obstetrics and Gynecology taking place in Vancouver, Canada 25-29 Sep 2005: Still haven't heard back about a reduced fee for IVPF attendance. The question of IVPF attendance at full price was discussed. It was agreed that the cost is worthwhile because awareness of vasa previa saves lives. However, ISUOG knows that vp can be diagnosed. They were one of our first and strongest supporters. Amy will contact a member of the IVPF Medical Advisory Board about the advisability of pursuing participation in this conference in the event we are not able to secure a reduced rate for attendance.
- Info packets for the SDMS meeting, pending authorization from them.
- IVPF.org is now live.
- Location for January's Members' Meeting and Board Meeting needs to be set. St. Louis, MO, USA; Wolverhampton, England, UK; and Saskatchewan, Canada; and Boca Raton, FL, USA have been suggested. Tabled till the next meeting.

New Business:

- A motion was made to allow the words "one baby step at a time" from the IVPF Sophie's Walk brochure for events not directly sponsored by the IVPF. The motion failed.
- A motion was made and unanimously approved to send IVPF informational brochures to Teresa Spurgeon for the Eagle's Club Kareoke benefit event.
- A motion was made to purchase the domain SophiesWalk.org and dedicate it to Sophie Isabelle Macadar. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

The next regular IVPF Executive Committee meeting will take place on Monday 8 August 2005 at 16:00 GMT (10:00 AM CST, 11:00 AM EST). Until further notice location of Executive Committee meetings will take place in Yahoo Instant Messaging Conference rooms as the Vasa Previa Chat Café is closed.

Meeting Adjourned at 16:17 GMT (10:17 AM CST)