

HOSPICE OF YORK
Board Meeting
Ellis Conference Room, York Hospital
May 25, 2010

Interim president, Henry Guertin-Ouellette, opened the meeting at 6:30.

Present: Dee Bickmore, Henry Guertin-Ouellette, Barbara Boschert, Judy Kimball, Judy Doe, Julie Perreault, Kate Hatem, Lynne Tocci, Nikki Hopewill, and guests, Sgt. Tom Baran, Ethics Committee community representative, Kathy Schmigle, candidate for Board treasurer, and Dr. Gene Glick, candidate for Board member.

Absent: Kim Joyce and Jayne Lilly

The Secretary's report was accepted after the word "previous" was deleted and the words "voted on" were changed to "made" in the first line of the Ethics committee report under Old Business.

The Treasurer's report was accepted with no objections.

The Bereavement Coordinator's report was accepted unanimously. Nikki spoke of attending Part 2 of "Every 15 Minutes," the "wonderful" presentation at Traip Academy depicting the fact that every 15 minutes someone dies as the result of drunk driving. Nikki did bereavement work with a parent. In addition, she has been meeting in the HOY office with bereavement client, whose fiancé had been killed,

Nikki mentioned three other items. On June 8th she will be going to the Center for Grieving Children, in Portland, "just to stay in touch" and "establish relationships." She hoped the Living with Loss group would begin meeting on July 7th and she has four folks who are interested in bereavement training.

Director's report: Dee agreed with Nikki that the "Every 15 Minutes" presentation was "fantastic." It was sponsored by Rotary and HOY, with addition assistance by the Kittery Fire Dpt. and Jeff Pelkey. It was filmed by a professional film crew and the Kittery Fire Chief will have a viewing later in the year.

From April 24-May 19 HOY had 10 referrals (5 from Beacon and 5 from Seacoast), 1 refusal, and 6 deaths. Our contract with Seacoast Hospice will end on June 30th. The Seacoast contract was explained to the visitors.

The Hospice training classes ended May 15. Dee said she had received several applications, 3 of which were for bereavement. In response to a question, Dee stated that there are 20 (plus or minus) volunteers that are currently available.

Old Business

Ethics Committee: Henry introduced Sgt. Tom Baran of the York Police Department, the community representative on the committee, who stated he has always been impressed with Hospice and is very happy to be part of this important committee.

Henry went on to say the committee would be meeting in the summer to work on policy. This Policy Committee is open to any member of Hospice.

Introduction of new candidates for Board membership: Kathy Schmigle and Gene Glick both spoke of their past wonderful relationships with Hospice and how much they were looking forward to being Board members.

Proposed slate of officers and members for 2010-2011: Julie and Kate presented the following names of candidates that will be voted upon by the members at the annual meeting in June.

Candidates for officers

Julie Perreault, President
Barbara Boschert, Vice President
Kathy Schmigle, Treasurer
Judy Kimball, Secretary
Henry Guertin-Ouellette, Community Representative

Candidates for members

Lisa Greenlaw
Dr. Eugene Glick
Kim Joyce
Lynne Tocci
Kate Hatem
Judy Doe

Budget Committee Report: The committee members, Julie, chair, Kathy Schmigle, and Dee presented the budget for July 1, 2010 -June 30, 2010. The Board voted to approve the budget and forward it to the membership for a vote at the Annual Meeting.

New Business

Nikki reported that the 2010 Annual Meeting would be held at Pelkey's Funeral Home on June 22nd beginning at 5:30 with the meeting, followed by an assortment of delicious hors d'oeuvres and desserts at 6:00. All members are encouraged to attend.

Committee for July Board Retreat: Dee stated that Jeff Pelkey had agreed to be the moderator again this year. Julie and Kim volunteered to take care of all the other arrangements. Staff members who work closely with the Board, such as Nikki, will be asked to attend. This year orientation for new Board members will be part of the retreat.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Kimball, Secretary
HoY Board of Directors.