

HOSPICE OF YORK  
Board Meeting  
Ellis Conference Room, York Hospital  
February 22, 2011

Julie opened the meeting at 6:35 pm.

Present: Julie Perreault, Barbara Boschert, Judy Kimball, Kathy Schmigle, Henry Guertin-Ouellette, Lisa Aubin, Lynne Tocci, Kate Hatem, Nikki Hopewill, and Frank Sullivan, a HOY volunteer

Absent: *Gene Glick, Judy Doe, and Kim Joyce*

"Every 15 Minutes," a video depicting a two day event at Traip dramatizing the statistic that a death occurs 15 minutes as the result of a drunk driving accident, was scheduled to be shown tonight. However it had to be cancelled due to the illness of David O'Brien, KFD Chief. It will be rescheduled.

The Secretary's report was accepted as read.

The Treasurer's report was accepted unanimously. It was agreed that the Board will receive two financial reports every month - one from Kathy as soon as she has finished it and another sent out from the office with the other reports.

Bereavement Coordinator's report: Nikki reported that this had been "the quietest month ever. Everything is going along smoothly."

Director's report: Dee reported that from 1/20-2/21 HOY had five referrals: four from Beacon and one from a family. There was one refusal and two deaths.

Dee showed us the attractive new cover for the Living with Loss brochure and gave each member a copy of a very positive article from the 2/2/11 York Weekly entitled "Hospice Volunteers Help Others Meet Death with Dignity."

### Old Business

Update on HOY's plans to establish services for grieving children: Nikki stated that a grant applying for \$15,000 was finished and had been sent. She thanked Dee, Julie, and Kate for their assistance. The money will be used to train trainers and volunteers, find space, and start programs. She reported that she had received an individual donation of \$5000.

Nikki went on to say the CGC charges \$6000 for 30 hours of training for 16 volunteers. She has begun looking at other programs that are considerably cheaper. She is also planning to talk up the program in the community. She will be going to all schools in the area to speak with guidance counselors.

Henry asked if we will support the program whether or not we get the grant. He made the following motion: "That, whether or not we receive the grant, Hospice of York will support HOY's Children's Bereavement Services for one full year, at which time the Board will review this program." This motion passed unanimously.

Update on Fund Raiser: Lisa passed out information about what's new/what she's been doing the past month for the October 13, 2011 fundraiser. She has met with folks from York Hospital and York Chamber of Commerce. She has been working to get Sponsors and has already received a \$500 donation. The suggestion was made that as the date of the event is also the start of Harvest Fest, our theme could be "Festival of Hope," "There's Always Hope in Hospice."

Forms listing the suggested committees were distributed and members were asked to volunteer on those that matched their interests. Board members are also asked to personally invite 10 people and ask each of those ten to invite 10 others.

New Business:

Volunteer Appreciation Brunch: The brunch will be held on the last Saturday in April, the 30th. Dee has spoken with Susan at Kittery Estates and reserved the date at that facility. Barbara and Henry volunteered to be on the committee with Judy, who will contact Susan to set up a meeting to work out the details.

Other concerns:

Dee has picked up an application at the Fabulous Find Thrift Store to apply to be a recipient for one of their monthly monetary gifts for nonprofits. At the current time July is open.

Henry spoke of how often folks had mentioned his "Ask me about Hospice" button. He is now a believer!!

Kathy ended the meeting with the wonderful announcement that she is "going to be a Grammy."

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Kimball, Secretary  
Hospice of York Board of Director