

## DSASO Board Meeting 5-22-07

In Attendance: Rick Wise, Don Azar, Deb Evans, Maria Thorpe, Wyatt Thorpe, John Glaser, Anjay Meyer, Jackie Smedegaard, Sean Smedegaard, Joyce Rogers

**April Minutes:** Minutes approved by Maria Thorpe with a second by Don Azar

**Treasure Report:** Jackie presented a full detailed report from January to present. Maria stated that she would like to donate her time for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter newsletter . Thank You Maria!

**Fundraising:** The extreme need for fundraising at this point was brought up and some ideas for summer fundraising ideas were brought to the table.

Anjay suggested doing a car wash at Wal Mart, (Joyce will try to reserve a date)

Maria made a phone call to John Skinner to see about getting a night reserved to do a 50/50 raffle at the speedway. She also recommended we try to get a different group of cheer leaders involved that are a bit more motivated to get out there and sell, sell, sell!

Maria mentioned that her school did a bingo night that raised @\$1400. (possibly something for buddy walk)

John mentioned he may be able to get us hooked up with doing the concession stand for Southern Oregon Idol on July 10-14<sup>th</sup>. We would need to staff the stand.

Rick mentioned that he has been doing some leg work to get a bowling tournament going. The tournament would have 24 lanes available to us which would be 48 total teams. Each team could enter for \$200. The participants would get 3 games of bowling for 4 players, a free t-shirt, lunch. Each participant would be entered into a drawing to win one of many donated prizes with the grand prize being a time share to anywhere they wanted to go. Rick and Vina would be willing to donate that to the organization. Rick mentioned doing this in October since it is Down Syndrome Awareness month. Rick is going to get more of the details nailed down and we will go from there. There is a potential of raising up to \$6000.00 The tournament would be held at Roxy Anne Lanes.

### **Socials:**

**Buddy Walk:** It was agreed that we need to try to make some more money at the buddy walk this year. Rick and Maria volunteered to help brainstorm with Joyce on how to do this and the details of the event. Some of the ideas brought to the table were, trying to get some pizzas donated and sell them by the slice. Get big sandwiches from Subway and sell a lunch package, it was also mentioned that bundling items may be the best way to sell things, ex: bundle lunch, raffle tickets, and t-shirts. Etc. There is a bit of concern that we only have \$1200 towards t-shirts this year from Subway. The cost is usually near \$2800 for what we have ordered in the past. Joyce said she would talk with Papa Murphy's and see if they are interested in co-sponsoring the shirts.

We talked about reserving a spot down town and placing a banner advertising the buddy walk. It is going to cost in the neighborhood of \$500 to have the sign made and an additional \$175.00 to have it placed. It was mentioned that we have an old banner that we could use at the park but nobody is sure where it went to. Maria suggested we check with Debbie Bernard to see if they may have it.

**Glow Golf:** Rick said he talked with the people down there and they could have us come in on a Sunday, we picked Sunday the 24<sup>th</sup>. Joyce will get a flyer mailed out to our local families. Rick suggested that we invite ASO.

**Waterslides:** This year the waterslides are held on July 26<sup>th</sup>. The potluck is from 6:30-7:30 and sliding will be from 7:30-10:30.

**Upstarts:** Anjay announced that her first upstart meeting will be on June 9<sup>th</sup> from 1-3pm at Roosevelt School. She made wonderful flyers to send out to families and will give us an update on the event next meeting.

**Reading Program Update:** Joyce reported that things are moving along nicely with the reading program. We are working on looking through the footage taken, writing directions, and trying to get a focus group together with some local educators. Joyce mentioned she would like to cut back on hours over the summer while Ariel is home, she is hoping to keep it under 15 per week. Maria made a motion and John 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

**ASO Update:** Don, Deb, and Joyce met with Kelly and Janell from ASO and found that they have a lot of the same focus as DSASO. We are very interested in continuing to collaborate with them. This may also be a great connection to get the reading kits out there.

**Misc.** Joyce mentioned that Jackie's term was up and that we never got an ok from her to keep her on as our treasurer. So we asked her to please continue on and she agreed to do so. Thank You Jackie! Joyce mentioned we need somebody to keep up on new parent packets, Maria said she would be happy to put some together this summer. We also would like to talk with the nurses in the NICU.

Meeting Adjourned 8:15