

DSASO Board Meeting Sept. 18, 2007

Present: Anjay Meyers, Deb Evans, Jackie Smedegaard, Sean Smedegaard, Rick Wise, Vicki Graham-Stelle, and Joyce Rogers. Cameo appearance by John Glaser☺. Meeting called to order at 6:40 p.m.

Minutes from August meeting accepted with minor changes.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Jackie. Request made to include budgeted vs. actual activity for January to date on Profit and Loss Report. This should give us a better idea of how we are spending money. Jackie will present a rough budget at next month's meeting. There was discussion about telephone and internet costs. Joyce will call and check into different options.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Buddy Bowl: Still no response from our insurance company regarding the coverage for the car. It was decided not to go forward with this. The flyer has been submitted to Roxy Ann Lanes and should be out the end of this month. Rick will do promotion at the bowling lanes, etc. The T-shirts have been ordered. Roxy Ann Lanes is talking to Pepsi to see if we can get chips and soda donated or at a reduced cost. We will use leftover prizes from the Buddy Walk to give out as prizes at the Buddy Bowl. Rick will check with John Glaser about the possibility of having tickets to sports events available to give as prizes. Rick will take care of getting information out for the press release.

Upstarts: Anjay has had 7 families RSVP to the Kid Discover Center social scheduled for 9/28/07. The Halloween Party is scheduled from 2-4 on 10/27. The board okayed spending money for goodie bags and prizes. Sunny Spicer, owner of Kids Discovery Space and editor of the local Parent magazine has approached the organization about the possibility of giving DSASO column space in the monthly magazine.

Reading Program: Joyce reports that the instructions have been updated and are ready for Don to review. The written permission form has been revised and needs to be signed by Pat. The video is in the process of being edited.

Speedway: We made over \$2000.00. We are donating \$100 to the dance team that helped out. It was agreed that the weekend was a very good one to get and we will try for it again next year.

Appeal Letter: It was agreed that the Appeal letter needs to be revised to include the variety of activities that DSASO is involved in - i.e. Upstarts, quarterly newsletter, outreach, education, socials, community awareness, as well as the Reading Program. Joyce will e-mail John with this information.

Newsletter: Joyce reports this is at the printer.

Networking:

Bridge House - this is an autism focused resource center that is interested in collaborating with local agencies and organizations. They are 6-12 months out before start up.

ASO is interested in partnering with DSASO for the Macy's fundraiser on 10/13.

Swindel Center - Judy Wiley will be at our next board meeting.

Buddy Walk: Joyce reports she is still in need of raffle items.
Deb will contact the clown for availability.

Other: Joyce will e-mail board members with an updated list of e-mail addresses.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. Next meeting 10/16/07 at 6:30 at Woolworth Building.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Vicki Graham-Stelle.