



**PKU Organization
of Illinois**
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PKU Organization of Illinois- Board Meeting
DATE: January 13, 2016
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Arlington Heights Library

Call in Info: To be determined

Meeting Agenda

1/13/2016

I. Roll Call

Danae Bartke
Matt Bartke
Grant Smith
Andrea Hall
Ami Vanderhoof
Mary Lonski (Phone)
Joe Bonnucci (Phone)
Hazel Vespa (Phone)
Dean Seppelfrick
Pam Kowalczyk
Ben Wagner
Soo Shim (Phone)

II. Officer Reports

A. President's Report – Danae'

Vote on new member – Welcomed new members: Dean Seppelfrick, Joe Bonucci, Ami Vanderhoof,

Everyone has been voted in.

B. Vice-President's Report- Grant

Focus on fund-raising. "We need to raise \$40k a year."

Grant recommends raising prices for all tickets and events to focus on increasing revenue.

Grant pointed out that the picnic loses money.

Danae recommended combining the picnic with the 5K

C. Treasurer's Report- Andrea -Recap of 2015 and Report 2016 budget

Approximate Numbers not including annual meeting. Operating income in 2015 was \$20k.

More detailed info next month.

D. Secretary's Report- Matt - Dates set for meetings and events

We discussed the water and food to the events. The idea is not to bring them to save money because it is billed to the PKU Organization.

Everyone agreed to just bring their own food and snacks to the meeting.

E. NPKUA Update - Who will represent this? Danae' will do this until we have another rep.

The person who agreed to be the NPKUA Rep this year can't do it.

Danae informed the board that if the person to do this doesn't do what they need to in the NPKUA, we'll lose our membership with the NPKUA.

Danae will act as the NPKUA Rep until we find someone else.

There is a family in Illinois who is committed to hosting "Lifting the Limits" in Illinois in 2017 or 2018. The exact info will be verified later. The Tognarelli family will host it. The NPKUA Rep should assist in hosting the event.

III. Dates for meetings throughout the year (every 5 – 6 weeks)

MEETING DATES:

Feb: 17th

Mar: 23rd

April: 20th

May: 18th

June: 29th (Phone Only)

Aug: 3rd (Stuff Annual Meeting Envelopes)

Sep: 7th

Oct: 5th

IV. Committees 2015 – Everyone should have their venue(s) booked by next meeting – February!

Danae wants everyone who is running events to have venues booked by next meeting in Feb.

A. Hospitality Committee

Cooking classes- dates, venue, sponsors

Ami will help assist.

The Vendor Meeting is next Wed at 7 o'clock.

It will be a call in and info will be provided to board members.

Cooking class in: Chicago, Naperville, Rockford and Central Illinois. All will be vendor sponsored and they will do all of the work.

Central Illinois class should be in spring time to correspond with camp.

Camp – Start to discuss with volunteer from the annual meeting

Requested additional volunteers... The board was told to contact Pam by email provided.

We need a vendor to sponsor the food for camp.

B. Fundraising Committee

Family Fun Day –

May 14th

Grant is still scouting for location.

Cosley Zoo

Morton Arboretum

Kline Creek

Blackberry Farm

Philips Park

Lambs Farm

Cantigny

South Barrington Arboretum

Danada Farm

Kuipers Farm

Wine event –

Laticias October 15th

Golf Event –

October 2nd. Andrea will verify

Beer Garden –

Dean will start calling possible venues and vendors.

Others?

Ladies night out

Looking for people to organize it... Katie may organize.

Grant: How much would we make? If it can't raise \$1k, is it worth doing?

Consider effort vs amount raised.

Online Tupperware Party

Find a Tupperware salesperson.

Danae says it would require no work on our part.

Jumpzone

Grant will get back to us about the details.

Considering Feb or March for Event...

Grant says he'll arrange the event.

5K or Walk

It'll cost \$50-\$100 per person to cover the costs.

We need sponsors and someone who knows how to organize it. It is a very complex event to arrange.

C. Education Committee:

Scholarship

Will put it into the first PKU Press...

Considering decreasing the number of scholarships provided because of budgetary concerns.

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Parent Café

Grounds for Hope Cafe was the previous location. Ami will look for alternate venues.

Danae suggests POA, Vitaflo or BioMarin to sponsor.

Event is usually in June or May.

D. Communications Committee

Press to go out- FEBRUARY! To determine articles in by date- Ask PHE-BE (Mary), Recipes (Eric), dates for upcoming events and scholarship deadline, board meeting recap- meet the 2016 board (brief bio - 3 sentences from new board members).

ALL ARTICLES DUE BY FEB!!

Press will go out at the beginning of March.

Ruthie, MISS ILLINOIS and PKU

Jeanette, MSUD

Everyone needs a blurb from everyone about what they do in the Org and themselves. 5 sentences

Other articles

We have none.

T-Shirt Contest

We have 1 entry.

Grant suggests tabling T-Shirt Contest.

E. Financial Planning committee

Headed by Andrea – money to be dispersed – where, when, etc.

Andrea will get back to us at the next meeting because she can't close the books for 2015 yet.

V. ANNUAL MEETING!!!! *** Date?**

a. Topic -

We need to know our speaker first and what they can talk about.

b. Speaker –

Danae will speak to Christine Brown about a speaker.

Make sure they can talk about MSUD.

Pull an NPKU speaker for our event.

c. Breakout sessions –

No topic yet.

Consider replacing with a panel.

Table for Feb.

d. Location-

Looking more towards the suburbs for the meeting.

Hilton Oakbrook Conference Center

Ground for Hope

Others

VI. **PKU NATIONAL CONFERENCE** (?) Can anyone go to rep IL?

July 28th through 31st