Meeting Minutes for February 11, 2015, Board Conference Call, beginning at 12 pm

Present: Ann Davis (secretary), Lori Nester (Chair, R3 Rep), Jennifer Foster (Treasurer), Jill Davis (R4 Rep), Terri Rutz (R1 Rep), Libby Svoboda (R5 Alternate), Stephanie Carroll (R7 Alternate).
Not Present: Pam Edenfield (R6 Alternate), Mary Burton (R6 Rep), Sylvia Ellison (R2 Rep).

Approval of Minutes: The Meeting Minutes for January 21, 2015 were presented for review. It was requested that the minutes include a copy of the Medolac letter that OBA signed in solidarity with the Black Mothers’ Breastfeeding Association, asking Medolac to engage with BMBFA to discuss their Detroit project to solicit mothers to sell breastmilk. Medolac cancelled the project after the letter was circulated. Jennifer motioned to accept the minutes as reviewed with a copy of the Medolac letter; Terri Rutz seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Treasurer’s Report: No changes or updates to the treasurer’s report. Proposed spending for display materials at OLCA Breastfest were discussed. The consensus was to keep the expenditure as low as possible, and to make the display materials as general as possible, allowing for future changes and updates.

Continuity of Care Project: Terri gave an update on who is working to complete projects with the various Best Fed Beginnings hospitals. Jill Davis is now going to be working with the Columbus hospitals. They will be working towards training minority women to be able to sit for the IBCLC or CLC certification. They are also considering a project to fund a welcome bag with materials from the It’s Only Natural campaign from HHS for African-American mothers. In Akron, Jennifer is coordinating an update to the project at Summa. In Cincinnati, funds went to UC Hospital to revamp their breastfeeding support group. Ann shared with Terri that two LLL Leaders in Columbus were looking to begin an LLL Group for underserved/minority mothers in the Livingston area; they had a support contact with a church in the community, but funding did not go through, so they would be possible sources to support a project in Columbus. Ann will send Jill their contact information. Terri is still waiting to hear re: Doctor’s Hospital’s project. Jennifer is in the process of mailing a check to Libby Svoboda in support of the Cleveland project.

Capacity Building Project: Ann will be working on completing the 501(c)(3) application. No other updates. Lori attended the USBC webinar on the updates to the coalitions’ website. There are a lot of complicated changes that need to be studied.

Chronic Disease Plan Update: Jennifer updated the group as to the progress towards implementation of the First Steps program and its introductory webinar scheduled for March 25th. Program leaders will be at Breastfest to talk about First Steps. CDC and mPINC data will be included in the webinar curricula.

Member Meeting: Strategies to design a successful member meeting were discussed. Including resources or presentations that would attract attendees was suggested. The possibility of offering CERPs
was discussed, but it was noted that offering CERPs implies only one kind of attendee, where we would like the attendees to be more broadly representative of the community. A date and location still needs to be determined.

The meeting was adjourned by the chair with consent of all.

Respectfully submitted by Ann Davis, Secretary
February 8, 2015
Ohio Breastfeeding Alliance
Treasurer’s Report November 2014

Beginning Balance $6228.47

Expenses
• Paypal $5.01

Income
• Dues $100.00 (Hazen, Walker, Deering, Brewer, Bucknell, Barrett, Rutz)

Ending Balance $6323.46 (checking account balance as of 11/30/14)
(note: $1280.58 OBA Funds, remainder USBC Subcontract)

Submitted by: Jennifer Foster, BSN, RN, IBCLC Treasurer
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Ohio Breastfeeding Alliance
Treasurer’s Report December 2014

Beginning Balance $6323.46

Expenses
• 203.85 postcards OCPIM (Capacity funds)
• 438.20 nail files OCPIM (Capacity funds)

Income
• 10.00 dues
• 40.00 dues
• 47.05 dues paypal

Ending Balance $5778.46 (checking account balance as of 12/31/14)
(note: $1342.81 OBA Funds, remainder USBC Subcontract)
(note $2985 Implementation, $1450.65 Capacity balance)

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