Meeting Minutes for October 14, 2015, Board Conference Call, beginning at 12 pm

Present: Lori Nester (Chair, R3 Rep), Ann Davis (secretary), Terri Rutz (R1 Rep), Jennifer Foster (Treasurer), Mary Burton (R6 Rep), Jill Davis (R4 Rep), Stephanie Carroll (R7 Alternate).

Excused: Libby Svoboda (R5 Alternate).

Not Present: Sylvia Ellison (R2 Rep).

Approval of Minutes: The Meeting Minutes for the September 9 2015 Board Conference Call were presented for review, and accepted. The minutes will be posted to the website.

Treasurer’s Report: Balance is $4032.79. Jennifer is still looking for information on a check received from USBC without a designation; Lori will call to check on that information. Part of the balance ($1555.00) is funds restricted to the Continuity of Care project for Columbus and Cincinnati projects. OBA needs to get direction on how those funds can be used, and if Jill’s support group project qualifies for this funding. There is also some capacity building funding ($847.80) left from the USBC grant for that purpose.

Ann gave a report on the outcome of the Nursing in Public incident in Montgomery County. OBA had released a statement about the incident, and offering to provide information and education to the agencies involved. Our offer was accepted by both the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office and the Montgomery County Jobs and Family Services Assistant Administrator. OBA provided a presentation, information handouts, and window clings to be placed in waiting areas, at a Montgomery County All-Managers’ Meeting on October 7th, 2015. Ann and Sylvia gave the presentation. For the Sheriff’s Office, a video of a presentation directed to law enforcement, and a one page handout, was provided to be included in the Sheriff’s Office online training system. This video was held up a bit waiting for all copyright permissions on photos used to be obtained by USBC, from whose photo stocks the photos were obtained. (Addendum: Those permissions were finally obtained and the video finished and provided to the Sheriff’s Office on October 28th.) We hope to put copies of the two presentations and handouts on our website for sharing with other coalitions and organizations.

Mary returned to the subject of use of capacity building funds in asking if they can be used to purchase display materials. Mary attended the Akron Children’s Lactation Conference on September 25th and represented OBA by handing out our nail files and information. She had a display set up using the materials from the December 2014 Summit, but found them difficult to stabilize. Obtaining materials for displays and exhibit booths at conferences was discussed, and details about costs and types will be obtained. Keeping costs low and materials flexible and easily adaptable were considered priorities.

The board reviewed the document Ann prepared for the review of bylaws change recommendations from the Bylaws Committee. Some errors were found and will be corrected, and some questions remained about the impact of some changes. Jennifer motioned, and Jill seconded, to submit the draft bylaws to the ONU law clinic for review and submitted to the OBA membership for a first reading and
discussion at the November 2015 General Meeting. The vote to approve the motion was unanimous. The board decided that instead of presenting these bylaws changes for a vote by the membership, the document would be presented for a first reading and discussion by the membership. The committee will continue work on the Policies and Procedures Manual. The bylaws draft will be submitted to the Ohio Northern University Business Law Clinic used in the past for a review ensuring that the draft meets best practices and Ohio charitable organization law.

The board decided that instead of holding a board conference call on November 11, 2015, the board would hold an in-person board meeting before the General Meeting on November 13, 2015.

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

Respectfully submitted by Ann Davis, Secretary, November 12, 2015.