

The Arc Michigan

MCE minutes

11/18/10

Present: Dohn Hoyle, Chris Lerchen, Marge Slick, Ron Kimball, Tom Kendziorski, Maggie Kolk, Sharolyn Meyer, Tammy Finn, Sherri Fernandez, Cheryl Polite, Tony Wong, Cynthia Mayhew

VIA Phone: Jim Fortunziak, Kevin McGluckin, Deb Russell, Lisa Nygard, Peg Fakler

1. Call to Order
2. Introductions
3. Approval of Agenda – agenda approved as presented.
4. Approval of Minutes – Tom moved to approve the minutes as presented. Tammy seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.
5. Committee Report
 - a. President’s Report – Michigan Nonprofit Association will be present at the January meeting. Chris did not get the information that Deb Ziegler promoted was not received yet. Chris will follow up with Deb on this. Chris will wait with her report until the Conference Committee Report.
 - b. Treasurer’s Report – Sherri reported that all members are paid up to day at this time. The bank balance is \$1,253.49. Cheryl moved to approve the report. Tom seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.
 - c. Education Committee Report – No meeting was held. Next meeting is December 1, 2010.
 - d. 2009 Arc MI Conference Committee Report –
 - i. Chris will call the meetings for the conference and help with the planning. Deb is volunteering to work on the committee. Cheryl Polite, Sherry Fernandez, Tom Kendziorski, Ron Kimball, Kim Brown
 - ii. Issues for The Arc Michigan is that they lost \$12,000 last year and does not want to do that again. This is the sixtieth anniversary of The Arc Michigan. We need a theme. Budget is usually \$9,700.
 - iii. Maybe use a written agreement with presenters so that it reduces the cost for AV. Maybe get an underwriter so that money is less of an issue. Maybe use a

small group to look into this issue and see about partnering with them for the conference.

- iv. We should celebrate what Michigan has and what we have gained over the years. We should maybe name the champions that have helped us get to where we are today.

6. State Arc Report

- a. Dohn was off for awhile due to health reasons.
- b. Dohn attended the National Conference. Michigan was asked to report on Managed Care to the Florida contingent. It showed the Michigan has had good opportunities to work within the State Office in having input into the Managed Care of Michigan. Other states have huge waiting lists. Michigan serves just short of 40,000 individuals with disabilities. There is a waiting list for individuals who are not eligible for Medicaid. Those individuals have to rely on general fund dollars and those with the highest level need come first. Michigan has had champions in the right place at the right time. The national office never got around to talking about the branding much. There is a webinar coming up in December and Dohn will send this around so we have the information. The role out will be done in March. National is looking for locals to pay for the branding. You can find the contract on The Arc National's website under rebranding.
- c. The Arc Michigan will have to reapply for the largest single grant from the Department of Education. In the next two years every grant will be up for renewal.
- d. Dohn has signed on again for the next three years.
- e. The Arc Michigan will be preparing an electronic survey of all the chapters for information on what the chapters need or expect from Arc Michigan.
- f. There is another chapter is feeling that they can no longer exist. This is Oceana County. There is another chapter that is having issues and has proposed that they might be looking at becoming a subsidiary for a major organization and wants to know what will happen with their affiliation if they do this. This is Gross Pointe Arc. Cheryl talked to the new president and they indicated that the board was no longer going in this direction. This organization fund raises, has two group homes, and has a day program. It was a conscientious that there is no reason to be affiliated with The Arc if they are under the umbrella of a different major organization.

7. Arc Michigan Strategic Plan Goals Addressed

- a. In the Strategic Plan for The Arc Michigan it was discussed that the Board would get feedback from the local chapters. In order to do this the Arc Michigan Board is sending

out an electronic survey to the chapters to get this feedback. Discussion ensued regarding the difference in how each board functions.

b. Chris will address the rest of the strategic plan issues.

8. Additions

a. Cynthia is leaving The Arc Shiawassee and becoming the executive of The Area Agency on Aging for Shiawassee County. Good Luck Cynthia!! The Arc Shiawassee is looking for an interim Executive and then they will do a search for a permanent executive director. There is a new strategic plan that they worked on and it should be left in good spot.

9. **Next meeting date is January 20, 2011.**