



Ohio Breastfeeding Alliance – *Human Milk for Human Health*

Meeting Minutes for November 12, 2014, Board Conference Call, beginning at 12 pm

Present: Ann Davis (secretary), Lori Nester (Chair, R3 Rep), Jennifer Foster (Treasurer), Terri Rutz (R1 Rep).

Excused: Sylvia Ellison (R2 Rep).

Not Present: Pam Edenfield (R6 Alternate), Mary Burton (R6 Rep), Jill Davis (R4 Rep).

Approval of Minutes: The Meeting Minutes for the October 12, 2014 Board Call was presented for approval. A correction was proposed and then withdrawn, so the minutes were approved as drafted. The minutes were accepted by consensus and in this manner approved. The minutes will be posted to the website.

Treasurer's Report: Jennifer submitted a treasurer's report, which is attached to these minutes. The bank balance currently is \$6228.47 (as of 10/31/2014). Jennifer also submitted a financial summary of the past two years expenses for review and use in budget planning for 2015. The board discussed forming a finance committee to be in place prepared to address the flow of funds and budget planning. This needs to be included in the Policy and Procedure Manual draft.

Articles of Incorporation: The draft amended Articles of Incorporation were formally presented for the board's approval in order to be presented to the membership for voting. Lori asked for a motion to adopt the draft to present for a vote. Ann motioned to accept the draft on behalf of the board, and Jennifer seconded the motion. The motion to approve the draft Articles of Incorporation and present them to the membership for adoption as Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation was accepted, and the vote to approve the motion was unanimous. Ann will send out information about the proposed Articles to the membership with information about the December 3rd 2014 meeting, including a link to the draft on the OBA website.

Continuity of Care Project: Terri Rutz presented an update on the project. Olga Tamayo did a presentation for Cincinnati Hospital staff. Jennifer and Terri shared that Akron is changing the focus of their project based on updated information about community needs. There is no information from Columbus contacts, as the project coordinator there is not responding to inquiries. Terri will make more concerted efforts to get information from her. Terri reported on efforts to start local coalitions that can act as local conduits for projects and focus funds for local efforts. Libby Svoboda and Lisa Fiorilli are heading up an effort to restart the Northeast Ohio coalition. Esther Gillette is working on renewing the Central Ohio Breastfeeding Coalition. Both these organizations will be good candidates to work with in order to focus local projects more effectively and use funding appropriately. Terri asked for and received an extension to our CoC project into mid-2015.

Planning for the December 3rd meeting and for attending the Infant Mortality Summit December 4th was discussed. Nail files with the OBA logo and website will be ordered to be distributed at the summit. Postcards with information about OBA were also agreed on; Ann will draft a design and share it with the

board. The possibility of a map to display OBA regions was discussed and will be looked into. The meetings on December 3rd will consist of a General Membership meeting, a board meeting, and a joint meeting with OLCA to discuss working on the Chronic Disease plan breastfeeding objective. Lori will create a presentation for the OBA meeting, and work on talking points for the OBA-OLCA discussion. Details are still forthcoming on how ODH and OBA will work together on plans for the strategies outlined in the breastfeeding objective in the Chronic Disease plan.

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

Respectfully submitted by Ann Davis, Secretary
January 12, 2015