



Ohio Breastfeeding Alliance – *Human Milk for Human Health*

Leadership Board Call Minutes for February 12, 2020, 12 noon

Present: Jennifer Foster (Chair, OLCA Rep), presiding, Mary Burton (Vice Chair, R6 Rep), Ann Davis (LLLOH Rep, Secretary), Andrea Schlueter (R2 Rep), Michelle Catersino, (R4 Rep), Libby Svoboda (R5 Rep), Stephanie Carroll (ABN Rep).

Not Present: Laura Knisley (R1 Rep), Lori Nester (Treasurer, R3 Rep), Misha Trescott (R7 Rep).

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the January 15 2020 board call were accepted by consensus. The treasurer's report included in the minutes had one correction, in the balance of the WBOC account.

Treasurer's Report January 2020

Beginning Balances:

OBA:2130.17 EDBFIM balance 11613.85; WBOC balance 1316.28 Paramount 123.02

OBA income: (dues) \$35.00

EDBFIM income: 0

OBA expenses: (pp) \$.59

EDBFIM expense: 0

Ending Balances:

OBA: \$2164.58 EDBFIM balance:11613.85 ; WBOC balance 1316.28 Paramount 123.02

Elections: Elections for Regional Representative in Regions 4 and 6, and the At-Large Representative for La Leche League of Ohio will be held in March-April, after a ballot prepared by the Nominating Committee is presented at the March board meeting. Mary is working with Lori to get an email soliciting nominations. Ann will be in touch with La Leche League to ensure they support her nomination. Ann again expressed preference to use ElectionRunner again. Ann also clarified that organizations who are members do vote on nominations either state-wide or in the region they are in. Ballots go to the email for the organization, which may then designate a person to submit the vote.

Newsletter: Lori is working on a newsletter to be sent out to members via MailChimp. She will be talking to other OBA members about working on this as a long term involvement.

Black Breastfeeding Week 2020 Project: Lakesha will not be able to continue with the project, but Janelle is able to, and other names were discussed to add to the group working on the project. Stephanie will coordinate communication between possible candidates. There may also be some funding available from ODH for this project; Stephanie is aware of this funding line.

ODH Workplace Project: OBA is expecting to be able to participate in a grant-funded program with ODH, Lori is waiting on paperwork for this project, which will focus on workplace support through EveryMother as contractor for the program. We are still waiting on more information from EveryMother about this program.

Display Materials: Lori is coordinating and designing the display for our table at OLCA. Mary requested that upcoming member meetings, if known, be displayed on the table materials. There is an opportunity for a display at an upcoming Akron CLC training in November. Sharing information about OBA at CLC trainings was agreed to be a good opportunity to take advantage of; Mary will create a flyer that can be distributed at those trainings. Jennifer has created an annual report to include in the display, and submitted for review to the group. Recruiting new board members and regional representatives was also recommended to be continued at table displays.

USBC information: Information on the conference is just beginning to come in. It will be held June 12-13 in Scottsdale AZ.

Committee Task Force Reports

Childcare (Ann): The program is up and running, and is asking for help reviewing applications. The new website for the project is www.odh.ohio.gov/breastfeeding. Getting the word out about the program to child care providers is needed, and members are encouraged to share the one page handout at the website, and encourage providers to apply for the recognition.

First Steps (Libby): Round 19 renewal applications are now available, and the online modules are getting plenty of users. Bag Free recognition applications are also available. A state-wide hotline will be up and running by the end of this year, Stephanie reported that ABN is applying to staff the hotline.

Nursing In Public (Ann): no new report

Regional Reports/Local Coalitions/ Members at Large:

Region 1:

Region 2:

Region 3:

Region 4:

Region 5:

Region 6: CLC training taking place in November in Akron area.

Region 7:

LLL Ohio:

OLCA: Breastfest 2020 dates: March 27-28, 2020. Registration is open.

ABN: Applying for the state-wide hotline management. Hosting webinars and have topics ready through 2020.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus.

Respectfully submitted by Ann Davis, Secretary, on March 11, 2020