

APAI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

DATE: April 27, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Traughber, President; Jeffery Peterson, Vice President; David Blumberg, Treasurer; Jeralita Costa, Secretary; Cranston Mitchell, Past President; Rissie Owens, COPRA Chair; Regional Vice Presidents: Ed Reilly, Northeastern Region; Cynthia Mausser, Central Region; and Caroline Mudd, Southern Region VP.

STAFF PRESENT: Keith Hardison, CAO; Natalie Payne, Secretariat.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Barbara LeMaitre, Western Region VP;
Ms. Renee Collette, International Section Vice President (absent due to health issue)

A quorum was present.

Meeting called to order by President Traughber at 12:36 p.m. Eastern; 11:36 a.m. Central; 10:36 a.m. Mountain and 9:36 a.m. Pacific.

I. Approval of Minutes

Action Taken: Motion to approve the minutes of March 23, 2012 made by Mr. Reilly; 2nd by Mr. Blumberg. Motion adopted unanimously.

II. Update on 2012 Annual Training conference

- a. Program Book is underway
- b. 8 exhibitors compared to 13 last year
- c. 2 sponsors
- d. Most of the Parole Resource Center training participants are staying over for the ATC.
- e. Huge International presence expected including numerous Caribbean Islands.
- f. During COPRA meeting we plan to document the progress on our business plan

III. 2013 Annual Training Conference

- a. Mr. Hardison reported that Rhode Island's local host committee has a hotel preference that was a bit more expensive than we would like, but it is now

competitive due to Ms. Payne's negotiations with them. The rate will now be the GSA rate of \$121.00/night. It is a high rise hotel that overlooks the capitol dome in Providence Rhode Island.

IV. 2013 Budget Update

- a. Mr. Blumberg reported that the Finance Committee has recommended approval of the 2013 Budget.

Action Taken: Motion to approve the 2013 Budget proposal. Moved by Mr. Mitchell. 2nd by Mr. Peterson. Unanimous Approval.

V. Other Business

- a. Mr. Mitchell asked the executive committee to weigh in on the principle of juveniles sentenced to life without possibility of parole. This issue is before the United States Supreme Court (SCOTUS).

Action Taken: Motion to support the principle of juveniles sentenced to life being given an opportunity for parole. Moved by Mr. Mitchell. 2nd by Mr. Peterson. Unanimous Approval.

VI. Committee Reports:

Essential Elements. Ms. Mausser reported that there is nothing new to report.

Victims Committee – Mr. Hardison reported that with the help of the victims committee, he had developed a model protocol concept paper for potential funding for technical assistance and support. He reported that NIC may be interested in supporting this; we will need to determine a budget proposal. Mr. Hardison also noted that Robbye Braxton-Mintz and Jim Cosby of NIC are expected to be at the ATC.

Professional Development – David Blumberg for David Smith, reported that the mentoring committee work is going great thanks to the hard work of David Smith and the sub-committee.

- a. Documents have been circulated for proposed development of the mentoring program. Ms. Mudd stated she had shared the documents with her members and reports they are very excited.

- b. As reported before, David Smith found an organization that might be useful for the mentoring program. Mr. Peterson had some questions about the agency and their website.

c. Ms. Costa noted that it appears from preliminary estimates we could cover the costs associated with the mentoring program through that company with a \$25 membership increase.

d. Mr. Hardison noted that he has contacted ASCA about the potential of partnering on the mentorship and sharing costs.

e. Members of the EC expressed, "Great job!" We are looking forward to more information on implementation and costs with proposals.

Resolutions – Mr. Hardison reported that the committee has been constituted but has not yet met.

Nominating Committee – Mr. Cranston Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell reported election goes live on May 7th.

Communications Committee – Mr. Peterson has been added to this committee and he reports that the enthusiasm at their first meeting was terrific.

Membership – Ms. Payne reported there are about 400 paid members.

VII. **CAO Report** provided in writing.

VIII. **Next meeting:** May 11, 2012

Announcements: Ms. Owens reported that last month she had traveled to the Czech Republic with CMIT to discuss parole. They don't have a parole board and she was there to provide an example as well as invite them to join APAI.

Ms. Collette is missing this meeting due to surgery and recovery.

Motion to adjourn at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeralita "Jeri" Costa, Secretary

June 28, 2012

Approved by EC on June 29, 2012