



Chapter Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2013

Dinner and networking held from 5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Meeting was called to order by President Elect, Brenda Young and a Quorum was established at 5:45 p.m. Thanks were expressed to Denise Back and Shell Corporation for providing the meeting facility. Thanks were also expressed to Select Physical Therapy for sponsoring dinner and the educational offering for this meeting entitled, "Obesity In The Workplace".

WELCOME

President Elect Young welcomed visitors to the meeting and led all attendees in introducing themselves. Visitors included Barbara Miller, recent graduate from UTMB; Karen Parker, from Phillips 66; Mary Monk, from Boomerang Tube in Liberty, TX; Brian Franklin, from GB Biosciences; Gina McMahon, TCH contract RN assigned to the Employee Health Dept.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Chapter secretary, Elaine Thomas, passed out March meeting minutes and requested submission of any revisions needed. No revisions were noted and minutes were approved by first motion by Marsha Vanlandingham and second motion by Linda Means.

Director 1, Carolyn Ebert, announced that next month's chapter meeting will be at St. Joseph Medical Center for dinner and CEU presentation. The May meeting will be the last meeting until after summer break. Meetings in September and October will also be held at St. Joseph Medical Center and the November meeting will be sponsored by Kelsey Seybold.

Director 3, Denise Bach, announced that the chapter is raffling a "Sleepy Baby" for the Scholarship Fund. A former member, who is now 90 years of age, hand made the doll and donated it to the chapter for the raffle. Tickets are \$1.00 per ticket, or \$5.00 for six tickets. The raffle will take place during the April and May chapter meetings. Denise also reminded members of a "Sunshine" email that went out regarding a wedding in a chapter member's family. It was also noted that there were three job postings out since our last meeting.

Director 4, Marsha Vanlandingham, passed around the Volunteer log for members to report their volunteer hours. Also, the application for the Leadership Award is being sent out this week.

President Elect, Brenda Young, asked the visitors how they heard about our meeting as our recruitment effort continues. It was discussed that perhaps our website needs improvement to attract new members. It was also discussed that new members should be sure to give their contact information to Judy Perkins to ensure that they will receive chapter communications. Members planning on attending the Conference next week were asked to email Dana Warner and it was noted that Mini-Conference will be held on 10-4-14. The chair for Mini-Conference is Jackie Baker. Brenda Young is asking Methodist Hospital to be a sponsor.

Treasurer, Terethia Walker, reports no deposits or withdrawals from the chapter account in February 2013. In March there was a \$604.00 deposit for membership dues, bringing the account balance to \$6,439.38. The purchase of a printer previously discussed has not been done as yet. The cost for a new printer is approximately \$399.00 and the issue will be discussed further at the next Board Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

From Linda Walker with National, it is noted that Texas Night is being sponsored by her employer on 4/15/13 at 7:30 PM at Gilly's Las Vegas. RSVP's are needed by Thursday. A notice was placed on the website and RSVP's can be sent to nurselw@earthlink.net. Also from Linda, it is noted that the Biannual State Conference is being planned at the Bangor Hotel. It was mentioned that some kind of award will be given, but Brenda Young or Dana Warner may have to contact Linda for further information.

Brenda Young gave a reminder that the next chapter meeting is on 5/14/13 at St. Joseph Medical Center, Strake Building, 9th Floor and will be sponsored by the St. Joseph Healthcare Corporation. Free valet parking to be provided.

Representatives from Select Physical Therapy spoke about their services and announced the opening of a new office in Humble, TX. Members were provided with handouts showing their facility locations around the metropolitan area and they asked that we let them know if a location is needed in any other areas as they are willing to open facilities wherever needed. Select provides all licensed staff and do not hire technicians or assistants. Select will be a sponsor at the State Conference.

President Elect, Brenda Young adjourned the meeting at 6:15 PM. Educational presentation to follow.

Elaine Thomas, RN, BSN

Secretary, HTAOHN