

SCV-CAMFT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 25, 2015

Call To Order: 9:27am by Debra Rojas, President

Present: Debra D. Rojas, Kate Viret, Michal Ruth Sadoff, Elizabeth Basile, Melissa Risso, Kim Panelo, Jenna Benson Sholl, Nancy Andersen, Eleanor Scott

Absent: Merrett Sheridan, Kelly Kilcoyne

Guest: Nancy Orr, Chapter Coordinator

Action: Upon motion by Kate Viret and seconded by Elizabeth Basile, the board unanimously approved the minutes of August 28, 2015.

Membership Report: Jenna Sholl

Annual Meeting (November):

The speaker will be Ronald Mah, on the topic of recognizing dangerous clients. Debra is inviting all past chapter presidents for whom she was able to find contact information. CAMFT board president Laura Strom will attend. The board discussed gift items for the past presidents and members and ideas either live music or a photo booth for an activity.

Action: Upon motion by Nancy Andersen and seconded by Jenna Benson Sholl, the board unanimously approved a budget of up to \$1600 for gifts for members and past presidents, and a photo booth. Melissa will research photo booths. Jenna will draw up a music play list.

Special Events Report: Kim Panelo

2016 Summer Workshop. Kim reported on her research regarding Dr. Robert Olcese of Santa Rosa as our summer workshop speaker. He specializes in neuropsychological evaluations and treatment. Kim's goal is to secure Dr. Olcese for one of the three Fridays in July that Michael's has available, in time to be able to announce this event at the Annual Meeting in November.

2016 Spring Workshop. Kim proposed a half-day spring event related to working with transgender clients. The board was enthusiastic. Debra Rojas provided a name to consider as a potential speaker and Michal Sadoff suggested another name for a panelist.

President Report: Debra D. Rojas

North Region events. Debra stated a need for a survey of members in the north region to find out what would work better than a Friday luncheon. Melissa explained that the monthly Monday networking/speaker lunches that draw therapists from Belmont to South San Francisco is very successful. Nancy Andersen wondered if that group would like

SCV-CAMFT support. Elizabeth Basile will complete a survey of north region members by the end of the calendar year.

GoToMeeting. Debra proposed an idea to subscribe to GoToMeeting for use by board members to attend meetings remotely in certain circumstances. It could also be used by committees to conduct business. Logistical barriers (eg noisy rooms) and the importance of in-person attendance for group cohesion were discussed. After discussion Debra recommended the board table the idea.

Annual Calendar 2016. In order to create the chapter's annual calendar for next year, Debra requested the luncheons schedule from Elizabeth, and the July and March workshop dates from Kim.

Bylaws Update. Debra stated she will get a cost estimate for a lawyer to help revise the chapter bylaws.

Director of Business Development. Debra acknowledged the difficulty past holders of this position have had, and asked members to consider the purpose and tasks of this director position, and send their ideas to Nancy Andersen (past director) and Melissa Risso (current director).

Ethics Report: Nancy Andersen

Law and Ethics Workshop: Nancy stated there are 69 people registered for the workshop. Nancy Orr will attend to help.

Secretary Report: Michal Ruth Sadoff

CEPA Update. Michal reported that the application to CAMFT for approval of our chapter as a CE provider is still in development. Most of the needed input from board members has been received. Debra and Michal expect to finish working on the policies needed for the application and bring those to the October meeting for review and approval. A designated board-level person to administer our CE program is required. This may be a new board position, or the duties may be added to an existing position.

Chapter Coordinator: Nancy Orr

E-Blast Format. Nancy Orr commented that the e-blasts are one of the primary faces of SCV-CAMFT for our members and recommended we simplify and shorten our e-blast format. She brought samples of the existing e-blast format, and a shorter version she had created, and asked for board input. The board agreed that shorter is better, with a link to additional information and to register.

CFO Report: (Merrett Sheridan)

Financial Report. Merrett sent the financial reports to the board members prior to the meeting but was not at the meeting to review them.

Meeting adjourned at 11:06am.

I do hereby attest that these Minutes are an accurate accounting of SCV-CAMFT's Board of Directors Meeting held on September 25, 2015.

Michal Ruth Sadoff, Secretary