

Southern Arizona Network for Down Syndrome
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 22, 2009 6:15 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Schaap Resident
7114 E Sylvane Dr



Board members present:

Frank Ganz, Chad McKinley, Cindy Schaap, Geoff Gonzales, Amanda Holbert, and Javier Venges

Board members absent:

Steve Freeman

Guests: Dar Dobroslavic and Val Schaffer from ACME Co-op

1. At 6:40 p.m., President Geoff Gonzales called the meeting to order.
2. Roll call was taken, all members present except Steve Freeman.
3. Minutes from May 11, 2009 general board meeting were reviewed and approved with necessary corrections made as needed. Vote was 6 to 0 in favor.
4. Financial report
There was clarification on the quantity of postage to purchase. Javier Venges will purchase a couple of hundred.
ARC of Tucson asked for and was granted \$1,100.00, SANDS donated \$200.00 to the Volunteer Center of Tucson, the balance due Pilot Parents for the Wrights Law Training was paid \$1,800.00. So far the Individual Give it Back! Program has awarded \$2,345.00.
Javier Venges is currently working on our form 990 tax return.
5. Give it Back! Program
We are getting many requests and the word is getting out into the community.
6. Buddy Walk 2009
James and Jodi Bess currently have everything under control.
SANDS will request that they provide the board with an update prior to monthly meetings.
Geoff Gonzales brought a motion that items that are donated for the auction and/or raffle with a dollar figure of \$50.00 or less be put into the raffle. Anything over \$50.00 will go to the silent auction with a minimum starting bid of 50% of the estimated value of the item. The motion was seconded by Amanda Holbert. Vote was 6 to 0 in favor.
7. New Business
 - a. Geoff Gonzales talked with a promoter about fundraising. We would provide the ideas and funding and the promoter would arrange everything else. Geoff Gonzales will give the information the Amanda Holbert.
 - b. Due to recent management changes at Wacovia, we have lost our POC. Frank Ganz will attempt to locate our current POC.
 - c. Dar Dobroslavic and Val Schaffer from ACME Co-op addressed the board. They asked the question "Where does SANDS see itself in three years? "
In December 4th Avenue Merchants Association has a street fair, they offer a free booth to non profits in two hour blocks. ACME Co-op would like to get four groups to go together and man the booth for eight hours together, this would give us a great opportunity to reach a much

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larger audience we would not normally reach (more face time with the community). ACME is looking for sponsors for apartments in the co-op at \$6,000.00 per year and wants to know if SANDS would be interested. SANDS will provide the ACME Co-op with a booth at the Buddy Walk at no charge.

8. Announcements

Amanda Holbert informed the board that Arizona Long Term Care System (ALTC) is going to be harder to get in the future due to budget cuts.

We are unable to get Chris Burke for the Buddy Walk this year and Geoff Gonzales suggested that we bring him in at another event.

9. Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P. M.

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Schaap

