

MAINE COALITION FOR FAMILY CRISIS SERVICES

Minutes: January 20, 1984 - Augusta

Present: Mimi-FVP, Sue-AWAP, Skeek-FCS, Mary-SR, Kay-FSC, Lisa-NHFW

Secretary and Treasurer Reports: December minutes approved. Present finances: Coalition - \$880.06 Abuser Fund - \$977.45
CU, SR, NHFW, and FVP still owe the dues implemented in 10/83. Raffle winner received check and \$340 was sent to NCADV.

FEMA: Kay suggested we check with our CAP agencies again for more FEMA monies recently coming in. Sue offered her CAP agency rep. (Lynn) for a friendly conversation about getting FEMA money since AWAP did so well.

Project Updates:

FSC: A new shelter has been purchased in Caribou; the Board is deciding whether it will be open or secret. Kay is feeling better and the staff survived her absence.

FCS: Process of hiring new director.

AWAP: Turmoil! Have closed the shelter but are sheltering in a hotel and have temporarily moved the offices there. Still trying to find a house to buy.

FVP: Hiring Judy's replacement. Staff are strained with too much business.

NHFW: Hiring a Program Assistant; will be moving to 2 rooms in the same building and getting two phone lines.

SR: New administrative coordinator has been hired - Sandy Tuorilla (sp?); volunteer training in process; paying some volunteers for extra office shifts is helping save staff; JC women just donated \$2500.

Lesbian Battering: Project Boards left to approve this piece are: FSC, CU, WC, WK.

NCADV: Mimi is our new rep. She and Lois both plan to attend the next meeting in Reno. We will pay for Mimi's trip and are committed to helping out with Lois' expenses based on how many meetings are left and how much money we have. Mimi hopes to look into international contacts for the BW movement at this meeting.

Women & Violence Conference: Dates set: March 15-16 in Augusta. Place yet undetermined. Hoping for 200 people. Cost: \$30/2 days, \$20/1 day with a sliding scale specified. \$10 minimum discussed for people connected with our projects. Governor Brennan and Michael Petit have been asked to speak and Freida Klein will be the keynote speaker. First day focuses on general education about violence against women. Second day is "what to do." Karin Spitfire will perform her dance on Day 1. Committees were set for working on a workshop called "Breaking the Cycle of Violence" (Mary, Skeek, Lisa) and for a "Pet Issues" workshop on Community Intervention (Mimi, Mary Beth, Sue). Other needs are material for conference folders from each project, volunteers to staff an information table, ideas for films to show. Maine Commission for Women is doing most of PR but will send us brochures to distribute. Childcare is provided; conference will be deaf interpreted and accessible.

Rape Coalition: Joined us to discuss conference. Joe Brannigan has been rescheduled to speak on Bail Legislation on Feb. 8th at 9:00 am in the Conference Room of the Bureau of Health - 157 Capitol St. - Augusta. We discussed marital rape legislation and we agreed to collect data from our files on incidences of marital rape and sexual abuse to help bolster their work. We agreed to have an annual or semi-annual meeting with the Rape Coalition. They are also asking for \$100,000 from DHS for next year.

DHS Liason: Mimi will act as DHS liason and legislative liason until we can decide on someone to take one of those positions soon!

Service Plan: (enclosed for those absent) Reviewed and approved.

Shelter Standards: (enclosed for those absent) These will be discussed with reps from DHS at next month's meeting so bring along any further concerns. Ones we discussed are whether or not the medical care section is appropriate in our set of standards and changing the title to Family Violence Projects and Shelters.

Bail Legislation Issues: Mimi presented us with a broader perspective on the bail issue, i.e. the original purpose of bail was to ensure your appearance at court not to protect the public. This is based on the idea that you are innocent until proven guilty by a jury of your peers. It was decided that we'd look at the legislation once it's written before we take further lobbying or press action.

New address and phone number sheets distributed.

Leftover agenda items: An inservice on grant writing for the Coalition; inviting Nancy Gentile and Jacqui Clark soon for an orientation for the new folks on the herstory of the Coalition; continuing to collect the herstory for the Coalition archives now in a filing cabinet in Augusta; Mimi's trip to South America; new shelter director at H.O.M.E. coming to talk.

Next meeting: Thursday, February 16th in Bangor '10-4

Submitted by
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Swern!

I only send minutes to the 9 projects - if you know who else wants minutes each month will you copy these and send?

thanks

Nancy
Lois

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596-0100 Office
236-4867 Answering Service

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~~Sanford, Maine 04073~~
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Abused Women's Advocacy Project
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Attention: Sue Patneau
783-2042 Answering Service (24 Hours)
784-6370 Direct Line Confidential

Family Crisis Shelter
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773-4830 Ingraham Volunteers
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