

## BEBA Board Meeting Minutes 4/1/04

Christie Barrack, Dorothy Adler, Isaac Dornbush, Maggie Rauen, Marla Van Stein, Raymond Castellino board members and Sandra Castellino, Administrative Director

Minutes of Last Meeting approved as corrected (Isaac 1<sup>st</sup>, Christie 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved)

Report from Clinic Director –

Ray spoke about working with a special needs child doing work that no O.T. or P.T. had documented was possible. He compared this with his and Wendy's work with 2 toddlers recovering from botulism whom they helped learn to eat by involving the child in the process.

Quoted Dr. Stone, originator of Polarity Therapy, "Whatever man can perceive, nature can relieve." If the facilitator can see the problem, can create a solution.

Three of our videotapers are ready to move into being assistants. Mary Jackson will begin next week. Alison Greene-Barton and Cherionna Menzam will begin as new families come.

Discussion of Parent Workshop 3/13.

Maggie and Marla who were there talked about how valuable it was. Marla suggested having childcare, how much more valuable it would have been if her husband could have been there with her, both experiencing working with the principles together.

Suggestion to do Parenting workshops quarterly.

Maggie to find out appropriate donation for Waldorf for this & for picnic, Sandra already sent \$70.

Report from Administrative Director – see attached sheet

Report from Fund-raising / Picnic Committee – see attached sheet

Picnic strategizing. The group came up with several additional ideas.

Ray to ask Steven Muchnij to M.C. He is a professional D.J.

Asking people to bring pictures of their family from different times plus more if they want: when started BEBA, when finished, current for a BEBA scrapbook, website. Set up a table to put these in a scrapbook, using sheet protectors, glue, white paper.

Dorothy to speak with her friend who does the Scrapbook Store about coming, setting up a table, helping people create something for the BEBA scrapbook.

Dorothy suggested using the word 'fun(d) raiser' in the flyer so people would know there was an 'ask' for money. She talked about the importance of having people write checks or sign pledges right then and there while the energy is high.

Maggie reported there is a website where you can download pictures we could post on the web from the picnic. People pay by the picture.

A raffle of some sort as a fund raiser, possibly something made there by the children.

The section where Ray speaks to have Mary Jackson speak and have some testimonials – Ray suggested Michelle Bone. Someone to ask for donations. Sandra and Forrest to come up with contact list and mailing list and email to everyone on BEBA's database once flier is available.

Have a wish list people can take home – everything from equipment to volunteers. Sandra to create.

Budget to be about \$500. Much of the materials donated.

Mailing to go out by 2<sup>nd</sup> week of April to be 5 weeks ahead of date.

Check signing: Approval given to close BEBA's 'Special Account' and change the signers on the regular BEBA bank account to Sandra Castellino, Marla Van Stein and Heidi DeBra. Only one signature is required. Raymond Castellino will no longer be a signer. (Maggie 1<sup>st</sup>, Marla 2<sup>nd</sup>, Ray abstained, all others approved)

Approval given for Process Workshops for BEBA parents (Maggie 1<sup>st</sup>, Isaac 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved)

Tara Blasco and Nancy Greenfield willing to offer a 6-week workshop meeting one evening a week, Monday or Tuesday.

Offer one in June-July, another in the fall, maybe quarterly.

Pay scale suggestion. \$375 or 6x their pay scale, whichever is larger. Thus someone paying \$20/hour would pay \$120. Anyone paying over \$62.50/hour would pay the \$375 rate. Rate is for full payment ahead.

Tara and Nancy would be paid their regular rate of \$20/hour

Discussion of Ojai Clinic, requesting board's input and guidelines. Christie suggested we devote a whole meeting to this. The meeting 5/17 will focus on this. Sandra and Tara to post proposals on the web before that. These

include

Plan is to remodel the garage of Tara's new Ojai home (moving in August) to be a BEBA room part of the time.

Tara and Nancy to facilitate. Mary Jackson and Alison Greene-Barton to assist. All of them live in or near Ojai. They would continue to work in the SB clinic also.

Tara would cover the cost of all equipment including furniture, camera, computer, mats, toys. She would own these.

BEBA would cover the ongoing costs:

Tapes

Administration (possibly Lynn)

Nancy and Tara's pay.

Rent at \$15/client to begin with

Start small, 2, 3, 4 clients a week beginning in winter, using the same paperwork, pay scale, filmmaker, brochure, website, etc as main BEBA.

Nancy and Tara continue to work one day / week in SB.

Discussion of request from Castellinos for rent raise (now \$800/month) starting in May. This was tabled until 5/17 since there aren't additional funds presently.

The next board meeting was set for 7 pm, Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2 days after the picnic. Tara Blasco will be asked to come and present her proposal, Nancy Greenfield too if available.