

PASG Board of Directors
Regular Meeting - September 11, 1995

Convene: 6:08 p.m.

Adjourn: 7:02 p.m.

Attending:	Gregg Russo, Chair	Absent:	Dennis Miles, Client Representative
	Sue Bazner, Vice-Chair		(remains in CCH)
	Len Stewart, Executive Director		Bill Docker
	Ellen Winans, Treasurer		
	Bob Junker, Client Representative		
	Jim Rann, CAB Representative		
	Maggie Bartlett, Volunteer Representative		
	Art Matott, Alt. Volunteer Representative		

Meeting opened with acknowledgment of Dennis Miles' confinement in CCH. The Board approved sending flowers to Dennis.

Motion: To accept the minutes of August 14, 1995, Regular Meeting, as presented.
JR; EW, second. *Passed unanimously.*

I. Executive Director's report:

See attachment from Len Stewart dated September 11, 1995.

Additional Comments:

** Auction:*

Len: Although the final figures are not in, the PASG Auction may have taken in closer to \$75,000. with a net of \$70,000. The final net may be close to \$54,000.

Jim: The Coalition would like to see half of the final net used for client services in some manner.

** Foley House:*

Gregg: Acknowledges that the clerk-of-the-works position appears to have worked.

Len: The contractor is suppose to have a subcontractor.

** PWA Coalition:*

Jim: Changes could mean changing policies, reassessing program. Consider servicing those not in town for one year. Possibly closing programs for the summer. Participants would all become clients of PASG.

Len: Could allow for summer clients, as would be using the programs for two months.

Bob: Would want to be careful of having consistent application of programs.

Len: Bob would be involved in the policy setting.

Jim: Shaun is leaving the Coalition and Jim has resigned as president, contributing to the decision of the Coalition to give up office space. Pasquale would still be involved with the Arts Program. The library would be located at PASG. The organization is now a "Coalition without walls." It would not be a sub-office of

PASG. The Coalition would remain non-profit, a separate entity. The clients and library would move to the PASG location. The phone (answering machine), and copier would be at PASG under a service contract providing more efficiency.

Gregg: The arrangement still allows for strong client advocacy. Likes the Coalition maintaining autonomy and the idea of a rebirth of two resources. Really nice of the PWA Board considering the idea.

Sue: Can't think of a single objection.

Motion: To accept the offer of partnership between PWA Coalition and PASG. EW; BJ, second. *Passed unanimously.*
Richard will do the press release.

Sue: Would like to be sure communication is open enough that if anyone feels something with the partnership isn't working it will be discussed.

* *Needle Exchange:*

Len: Board of Selectmen is voting tonight, September 11, and the program is expected to pass. There is majority support.

Additional Comments:

Sue: On Alternative Therapies Program; how is the program going to provide reimbursement to seventy (70) some people?

Len: May have to consider an adjustment to the \$60.00 a person forecast. Average \$46,800. spent; sixty-five (65) clients at \$60.00 each.

Jim: The Coalition will be adding in another \$6,000. from it's share. May consider taking the amount available and dividing by twelve (12) months. With that figure what you can afford per the number of clients.

Len: Would not like to see all this fundraising and then see the dollar amount per client drop.

* General discussion on available income from fundraising. Board committed to retaining the program funding for clients' Alternative Therapies Program.

Len: We need to reach out to private fundraising and as Maggie suggests look into appropriate grants. Three main areas to advertise needed funding:
1. Transportation 2. Food 3. Alternative therapies. Not just funding for general expenses. This fall/winter would like to focus on private fundraising.

Jim: The Coalition is in discussion with Jay Critchly re: Swim for Life.

Len: To answer Sue; we expect to see moneys coming in to fund combining Coalition clients with the Alternative Therapies Program.

II. Report from the Treasurer:

New Accountant: Consider putting position out for bid.

Additional Comments:

* Accounts must be computerized. Ellen may need something set up so she has access to Mac. May have a plan for acquiring a Mac. Could cost potentially

\$1,000.00 to set up a system program specifically for PASG.

* Ellen has talked to current accountant.

* Next step is to discuss/review treasurer function with Len.

Jim: The Coalition may be bringing a Mac which could be used part-time by PASG.

Gregg: Asks the Board for unanimous support in setting up a program to handle the treasurer function.

Motion: To give Ellen and Len the authority to do what is necessary to set up a computerized treasurer function.

JR; BJ, second. *Passed unanimously.*

III. Report from the Chair:

Annual Meeting: Confirmed for October 16, 1995, 6:00 p.m., PASG.

Client Dinner: Confirmed for October 31, 1995, PASG.

Budget of \$100.00 providing for about fifty (50) people.

Board Vacancy: Len; within the next week expects to vote on the three (3) candidates.

IV. Directors' Statements:

* Bill D. not in attendance for fundraising report.

Jim: Statewide Regional Consumer Advisory Board being hosted by CAB here Friday, November 3 and 4, 1995. Includes workshop and dinner.

Motion: To adjourn.

Passed unanimously.

October 5, 1995
Candi McDonald
Recording Secretary