

FSMTA - Suwannee Valley Chapter Meeting

October 9th, 2007

The meeting was called to order by President Matthew Grubb at 6:15pm in the United Way conference room.

13 people were in attendance plus the presenter for the evening CEUs – Cindy Wadsworth – Pregnancy Massage.

Meeting minutes from September were adjusted and approved.

President's Report:

Matt, Elizabeth, and Dave (President, Vice President, and Treasurer) just returned from the Board Cruise with the following information.

Inspectors of massage establishments are being given more training on what is needed to be up to code and might be seen again for a second inspection if an establishment has already been checked.

Things that the inspectors are looking for now.

- Massage tables with tears in the vinyl will have to be recovered not covered up.
- Hot stones cannot be left in water over night. Stones need to be cleaned and air dried each night.

The Board members decided that they will not have exclusive contracts with companies any more to avoid the demands that are sometimes placed on the FSMTA by the companies in regards to whom we can promote and who we can't.

Matt announced that we will be voting for new chapter board members in January 2008. All positions (ie President, Vice President, ect) will be open for nominations.

Vice President's Report:

December's meeting will be the Christmas party.

Gov. Crist approved massage awareness week.

On October 20th at North Port Florida Warm Mineral Springs there will be a gathering of massage therapist to show their skills and raise money for "One Heart Many Hands" program. Ron Stevens will be the contact person.

November 10th will be the half marathon in Miconopy. Our chapter is sending their sports team and their chair massage team to the event. Most likely it will be the sports team working on the participants and the chair massage team working on the crowd. Contact person for this event is Elizabeth Killebrew.

November 11th will be the chapter's event for the VA Hospital to raise money for "One Heart Many Hands". This will raise money for the families of veterans that with spine and brain damage. There will be chair massage from 1:00pm to 4:00pm.

Treasurer Report: We are in good standing at \$1807.73

Treasurer reported that we received \$ 240.00 from Raymond Blaylock. Raymond donated a set dollar amount for each person that took his chair massage class.

(Treasurer report cont.)

We have received notice from the Board that deposits from membership will be deposited quarterly instead of monthly.

We are looking for a person to organize fundraisers for the chapter.

Legislative Report:

No new news at this time.

New business:

It was announced that Dianna will post a menu with a list of ingredients in the food at each meeting so people will know if it will work for them or not.

Next meeting begins at 6pm at Haven Hospice

Business meeting was closed for Cindy Wadsworth – Pregnancy Massage class.