

MSOTA Minutes
August 9, 2013
Location: Page Posse Hideout

- I) Brief Introductions:
 - a. Attending: Bob Page, Bo Smelko, Michelle Puerner, Tracy Vaughn, Fred Lemmons, Chris Nordstrom, Don Bell, Sandy Heaton, Karen Bowman, Susan Bonin, Barb Bottomley, Anne Harris, Kevin Wyse, Marla North.

- II) Reading of minutes: Anne read the minutes from the Summer/Annual Meeting, there were corrected and then accepted as corrected.

- III) Officer reports/Presentation by Rick Deady and P&P
 - a. President No Report
 - b. Vice President No Report
 - c. Treasurer
 - i. Checking Balance= \$3,015.36
 - ii. Savings balance= \$8,668.00
 - iii. Expenses since last report:
 - 1. \$195 Web Development, hosting, and Labor Anne pd to supplier
 - 2. \$800.00 Presenter's fee for Dr. Blasingame
 - 3. \$37.00 Printing Ink, Anne Harris
 - 4. \$810.00 Dr. Blasingame, transportation and per diem
 - 5. \$3,761.07 Chico Hot Springs facility fees and meals for the 2013 Retreat/Annual Meeting
 - d. Secretary
 - i. Web site will be checked against the current membership list from the membership committee.

- IV) Committee Meetings/Reports
 - a. Ethics : No active complaints
 - b. Education/Public Affairs: No Report
 - c. Legislative: No Report
 - d. Membership:
 - i. Chris Nordstrom has been reviewing the Membership List and deleting persons listed who are no longer active
 - ii. It was confirmed that MSOTA has a long policy of deleting members who are no longer paying dues.
 - iii. We had further discussion of having an inactive designation at reduced membership rates for persons who want to have a temporary break from active SO work. No decision again.
 - e. Standards: No report

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- V) Old Business
 - a. Community responses to MSOTA has become more positive
 - b. Both Marla and Karen see the courts receiving MSOTA recommendations with more credibility.
 - c. There was discussion of the fact that the prosecution and defense provide different information to evaluators and this can yield different Risk Assessment outcomes.
 - d. Current research and the growing amount of research supports the validity of our evaluations as specified in our Standards of Care.
 - e. A Gold Finch, likely and NSA drone, landed on Don Bell's head possibly to gather intelligence from the wise.

- VI) New Business
 - a. New(er) reports of a psychologist providing services to sex offenders in Montana. Possibly a practitioner formerly dismissed as an MSOTA member.

- VII) Next meeting time and location:
 - a. Missoula, October 18th Michelle, Brenda, and Gwen hosting, location TBA but likely somewhere in the bowels of Fort Missoula.

- VIII) Adjournment
 - a. Meeting adjourned for amazing BBQ at 12:37