

Connecticut Tax Collectors' Association, Education Minutes

West Hartford Town Hall, Room 217

April 19, 2017

Present: Launa Goslee, CCMC, Teresa Babon, CCMC, Lisa Theroux, CCMC, Ann Scacco, CCMC, Iris Laurenza, CCMC, Pat Crisco, CCMC, Deborah Heim, CCMC, Lisa Biagiarelli, CCMC, Esq., Al Palumbo, CCMC, Corrine Aldinger, CCMC, Stephanie Irving, CCMC, Colleen O'Connor, CCMC, Linda Sheffield, CCMC, Lauren Stuck, CCMC, Dave Kluczowski, CCMC, Lisa Madden, CCMC

Education Chair Teresa Babon called the meeting to order at 1:37 p.m.

Secretary's Report: Motion to waive the reading of the February 14, 2017 meeting was made by Pat Crisco and seconded by Ann Scacco. Motion carried.

Corrections were discussed of the minutes as follows:

Under Attendee Gift – change Peggy “Duffy” to Peggy “Budney.

Under Donations – change QDS from \$2,500 to \$1,000. Change ANRA to ANRG and change Tax Serv donation from \$1,000 to \$2,500.

Under Legislative – change Duggan to Dugan.

Motion to accept the minutes with discussed changes was made by Pat Crisco and seconded by Ann Scacco. Motion carried.

#### Old Business

Conference at Holiday Inn in East Hartford. Ann Scacco handed out a treasures report showing the income and expenses for the seminar only. The report shows a profit of \$10,292.71.

From the surveys:

Accommodations: ok

Food: banquet good - all else not good.

Topics/Presenters: good accept the one presenter who was flat. Discussion was had concerning having handouts from the presenters prior to the seminar. It was suggested presenters submit their presentation ahead of time so we can send it out to the group to bring with them to the seminar. Teresa Babon explained she tried to get them to do just that but everyone was unable to get to do so.

Paint Night: a great success, fun was had by all.

Banquet: was good and the dj was good.

Vendors: there were fewer than last year but considering the smaller room, it worked out fine. They seemed to be ok with the set up. Lisa T. asked how the vendors liked the donation levels that were set up this year, no one complained and all went well. Lisa Madden suggested a possible Presenting Sponsor level at \$5,000 for next year. Ann Scacco pointed out that the vendors contribute a lot to our seminar each year and that helps keep our prices down.

## New Business

Request from Walsh: Teresa Babon was asked by Kim from Walsh that at the classes being taught, QDS reports not be taught exclusively and to make sure everyone is taught the reports that are important and point out that those reports accessed certain ways on different software packages. It was agreed this should be the way and Teresa will pass this on to the Pat Monahan, chair of the Certification Committee.

Aqua Turf – Teresa B. reminded us it was approved to have a bartender at the state meeting, she has one question. What time period do we want the bartender for? It was stated to have one from 11:30 – 2:00. Teresa B also confirmed to keep the Prime Rib on the menu.

Waters Edge: Teresa Babon and Ann Scacco went to Waters Edge on Monday, April 17 to discuss having our 2018 conference there. Teresa B. reminded us the Board already approved going to Bristol but we have not signed the contract yet. Ann S. and Teresa B. have done an analysis of the numbers and to the best of their ability, it will cost us \$10,000 more than this year in East Hartford.

Ann S. pointed out that there will be no points issued but they will donate a weekend and spa services.

Iris Laurenza asked if someone is a member of Waters Edge, would we get a discount? Teresa will ask.

A motion was made by Lisa Biagiarelli and seconded by Pat Crisco to sign a contract with Waters Edge for the March 21, 2018 to March 23, 2018. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Teresa Babon at 1:37 and seconded by Stephanie Irving. Motion carried.

Ann S. made a suggestion that we increase the commuter rate by \$5.00 per day. Discussion was had and Lisa T. motioned to increase commuter cost by \$5.00 per day and was seconded by Stephanie Irving . Motion carried.

Teresa also asked everyone for suggestions for 2018 topics and a suggestion for the gift for 2018.

Motion to adjourn by Lauren Stuck at 2:22 and seconded by Stephanie Irving. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Theroux, CCMC  
Secretary Fill In