PRO Meeting March 22, 2015

School of Body Therapy Langhorne, PA

Meeting commences at 2:00 pm with introductions and Charlie Brynam lead us all through a Spring Qiguong series of exercises. Thank you, Charlie! It was great.

Members present: Gabriele Cipollone, Susan Boland, Jeanette Donahue, Laurie Crouse, Marianne Roche, Charlie Brynam, Kevin McPhearson, Patty Fedirko, Judy Halper. On Conference Call was Lynn Diehl, Pam Fagelson.

Minutes from our last meeting, April 2014, were read.

Financial Report: Total cash: Checking account! ! \$926.00

Total members to date: 24

New Business: Gabriele

1) PRO is now an unaffiliated member of RAA

2) Pam Fagelson is a unaffiliated delegate of RAA and will be attending a Delegate's Conference with RAA this coming weekend. Her duties as a Delegate include making contact with the 10 other states that are not yet affiliated with RAA, but have Reflexology groups to share with them the benefits of belonging to RAA as it works to develop Reflexology into a more visible and recognized profession here in the States. Anyone with questions for Pam, please contact her at 240-994-7079 or pam@3RiversRandR.com or pamfagelson@gmail.com

Other issues that were brought up by Pam was awareness that some Reflexology businesses are fronts for human trafficking. If you suspect such is going on at an establishment near you, please contact the Police.

- 3) Gabriele reminds everyone to check the website for meeting information. The website is currently being re-done by Jeff. Please be patient if you cannot right now find the information you are looking for, particularly practitioner information. We are in the process of updating this information as well.
- 4) Gabriele states we are now requiring 200 hours from professional practitioners to be listed on the web site as professionals. If you have membership in RAA or ARCB, please submit those numbers with your application. We will modify the application per these changes. Those with less than 200 hours will be listed as associate members. So is we do not have prof of your 200 hours, you will be listed as an associate member.

- 5) All agreed to change our membership year from July to January. Next membership dues will be due in January 2016.
- 6) Regarding someone's suggestion regarding various ways to pay for membership, including on-line. We have voted to keep it simple, with payment by check. A 2-year membership may be added to the application.

Announcements:

- 1. Christine Issel will be presenting in Baltimore, MD April 4th, sponsored by the Maryland Reflexology organization.
- 2. Lynn Diehl is teaching a module 1 Facial Reflex Therapy course in Harrisburg the end of April. Anyone interested please contact Lynn. 16 CEUs are available from both ARCB and massage boards. You can find Lynn on Facebook.
- 3. Kristen Radden. Gabriele will ask her if she would come and teach a course. She has said she will come for 6 or more people to teach her acupressure course.
- 4. Marianne Roche suggested Whole Body Reflexology as a possible CE course.

Goals to be met in the next year:

- 1. sponsor a continuing education course here
- 2. as a group, give pro bono Reflexology to a group. All were in favor of that group being Veterans. Kevin will make inquiries.

Next Meeting: October 11, 2015

Continuing Education: Patty Fedirko demonstrated Hot Rock Reflexology. Great job, Patty!!

MeEting adjourned at 4 pm. THANK YOU EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED. LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL AGAIN IN OCTOBER.