

CLASP Meeting Minutes
March 20, 2024

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Jeff Pollock
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Stephanie will send the minutes from February meeting out as well as the financial reports from Karen Fadzen

Treasurer's Report – We are holding steady at 70 members. We have \$38,937 in the bank and some additional membership dues have come in. \$8,862 in net income in January and February.

Membership Committee - We lost 2 members and are back to 70 active members, which has been relatively consistent over the past few years. Dorothy is meeting with other state groups to form a support system for collaborative groups across the state. Dorothy suggested having a new member spotlight section on our website in order to welcome and highlight new members.

Marketing Committee - Lorraine was approved as the Co-Chair of Marketing Committee and Elle is the Chair. Elle and Lorraine are going to meet shortly. Lorraine asked about engaging in community involvement to improve our profile. Jeff Pollock commented that we could do something with the Bar Foundation Annual Golf Outing and Bocce Tournament. There was a discussion about using the website more for marketing.

Education Committee – No report. Next event is tentatively on April 16th at HYP but is not confirmed as of yet. Topic is related to real estate. Kathleen mentioned that Inns of Court is also that night which might be a conflict.

Ethics Committee – No report.

Training Committee – Basic training is scheduled for May 15, 16 & 17. This is a 2.5 day training at Gaetano's event center on Banksville Road. Happy hour will be on Thursday night. The venue is very affordable, which allows us to go forward even if we don't have a large attendance. They are working on getting the flyer out and meeting regularly to plan the program. Cost is \$700 if paid by April 15th and after April 15th the cost is \$900. There was a discussion about whether to provide credit or a discounted CLASP membership to attendees at the basic training. An issue is that part of our dues is the IACP dues which are not discounted.

Chris S. suggested that membership have a discussion about IACP in general and whether we should continue with our membership in IACP. Susan commented that when new members join, they are excited about the IACP. She mentioned that there is a lot of information about the collaborative process on their website as well as forms that new members might want access to.

Chris made a motion that if the bylaws do not address this issue, he proposes that at the May training, attendees be offered membership for the remainder of 2024 for \$250. If the bylaws already address this issue, then he proposes that we follow the bylaws. We decided to table this until the April meeting.

Deb G. mentioned that she is on the whole group committee for IACP so she will get more information from them about this issue. Deb G. also commented that IACP has a lot of helpful online content and webinars that members can access. Deb G. commented that there is a value to joining IACP right away.

Pro Bono Committee – Steph mentioned that a meeting is in the process of being scheduled.

Idea Committee – The Idea Committee enjoyed a great event on “The Cultural Humility Journey” last month, hosted by Derek Smith.

Social Committee – No report – dancing social was last week. Next social event is in June – summer social event.

Minutes taken by Jennifer McEnroe