# April 2011 GMM Minutes Albany Medical Center Foundation, Albany, NY April 12, 2011

6:30 pm Social and 7:00 pm Meeting

In attendance: Michele Melton, Carolyn Daggett, Bridget Graber, Jennifer Carraher, Ginny Rosborough, Caitlin Cooper, Sandra VanPelt, Hope O'Brien, Lisa Cronlund, Brianna Wattie, Karen Counes, Mary Kempton Moore, Megan Kelly, Kirsten Kropp, Michele Gruber, Robyn Eisen, Marna Redding.

Provisionals in attendance: Meghan Keenholts, Dafney Amilcar-Rodriguez, LaKisha Rich

- I. Carolyn Daggett called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM.
- II. Additions or Changes to the Agenda –Albany medical Center Foundation speakers were added to the agenda.
- III. Approval of the March GMM Minutes\* Robyn Eisen motioned to approve the minutes and Mary Kempton Moore seconded. All approved, motion passes.
- IV. Albany Medical Center Foundation representatives welcomed the JLA and discussed our new partnership with them for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. An overview of the Albany Med Foundation and video were also presented to those in attendance.
  - a. Kick off for our partnership with press conference is 4/14 at 11:00am. Albany Med prepared informational packets for each new mother, and examples were shown to the group.
  - b. It is estimated that more than 700 children will benefit from this partnership during the three month pilot phase.
- V. President's Report
  - a. Nothing to report
- VI. President Elect Report
  - a. Nothing to report
- VII. Secretary's Report
  - a. Nothing to report
- VIII. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Please pay your annual dues as soon as possible to avoid another dues mailing.
  - b. It was suggested that placement advisors call their teams before another dues mailing goes out.
- IX. Membership VP Report
  - a. May 19<sup>th</sup> is the Corporate Challenge- 5K walk/run. See Bridget Graber or Janis Graziano to sign up (there is a form to complete and you have the option to buy a shirt). Signups

are due by 4/25/11, and the cost is \$28 including the race fee and shirt. Cheerleaders/supporters are welcome too!

#### b. Provisional Project Overview

- i. The Albany Med pilot will run from 4/11/11 to 7/31/11 for all babies born at Albany Med during that time, regardless of their parents' residence.
- ii. 4/14/11 Press Conference/Kick Off will be at the Ronald McDonald Room (D elevator) at 11:00 am. If you are attending, please arrive between 10:30-10:45. Speakers are planned.
- iii. Gift baskets will be presented to all families on the birth floor that morning.
- iv. A suggestion was made to have a future DIAD at Albany Med where more books can be handed out to families. There are nice family rooms at the Center that could accommodate this kind of project.

# X. Communications VP Report

a. The next eNewsletter is in the works, please email Allison Meyers with any topics or "applause" suggestions.

# XI. Community Council VP

- a. Day Care Initiative
  - i. Calls are still being made, and Lisa has the applications to be completed.
- b. DIAM- thank you to those who brought books to hand out as promotional items for DIL.
- c. Double H Ranch DIAD will be 4/16/11, and will be cleaning the campgrounds.
  - i. Two DIAD credits will be given.
  - ii. Children 12 and over are welcome to participate as well as friends of League members.
  - iii. Need 10 volunteers minimum to move forward or else the event will be cancelled.
- d. Everybody is reminded to check your community service requirements on Closerware to make sure it is current. If you have corrections or updates, please let your advisor know.
- e. Thank you from the Cinderella Project for the DIAM donations and those who volunteered for the Boutique Day- they really appreciate JLA's support!

## XII. Fund Development Committee

- a. Anybody who is interested in being on the Committee please contact Caitlin Cooper, the incoming Chair.
- b. Annual appeal and corporate sponsorship brochures will be added to the JLA website in the near future.

#### XIII. Finance VP

a. American Girl- A HUGE thank you to Kirsten Kropp and Ginny Rosborough for a fantastic and successful event. The final fundraising tally is still being calculated. The doll hair salon was a huge hit!

## XIV. Nominating and Placement VP

a. Nothing to report.

- b. Fundraising requirement question was raised- can a Lia Sophia party with proceeds going to JLA or DIL count? Yes, so long as the information is communicated to your advisor to obtain approval and to log the dates and results of the event in Closerware.
- XV. Old Business- nothing to report.
- XVI. New Business
  - a. Member of the Month- Congratulations to Ginny Rosborough for her great work on both the American Girl show and her efforts to get publicity for that and the Spring Cocktail Party fundraiser at Taste!
- XVII. Open Forum
  - a. No other new business.
- XVIII. At 8:00 PM, Carolyn Daggett adjourned the meeting.
  - \*Voting issue

Respectfully submitted,
Michele Melton, Recording Secretary