

**FORENSIC MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**August 8, 2005
Conference Call**

Members Present: Joel Fay, Ken Carabello, Carrie Gustafson, Jane Lovelle, Mark Grabau, Molly Willenbring.

Members Absent: Jo Robison and David Polak

Called to order at 1:00 pm by president Joel Fay.

Primary Presenter Agreement Letter:

A few changes were made by Joel and Carrie. Molly agreed to follow through with those changes. It was suggested that if presenters provide Molly with their handouts by an appropriate date, she could provide copies of the handouts to attendees.

New Logo:

Abigail Wilburn will begin designing a new logo free of charge. Molly will present the new possible designs to the Board for review. The Board agreed that initials would be acceptable on the new logo in place of the full Association name.

Embassy Suites:

The Board reviewed the proposed contract from Embassy Suites. The prices are high compared to last year and the Board agreed on items to negotiate lower. The total for the 2005 conference was approximately \$11,000.

Conference Program:

Luncheon:

Jane has made preliminary inquiries with Abilify to sponsor the luncheon and speaker. She will continue to discuss this possibility with Abilify as well as Eli Lilly.

Dance:

The Board agreed not to have a dance on Thursday night of the conference unless it is sponsored.

Presenters:

We have not received many proposals yet. Jane has several verbal agreements for presentations, however.

Ideas for Presenters:

James Gilligan on violence.

Reid Malloy for Pre-conference. Mark will inquire as to the amount Mr. Malloy charges.

Tom Haydn for Keynote. Jane is looking into this.

James Reavis, who works with Mr. Malloy, may be a less expensive speaker but similar to Mr. Malloy.

Chad Maruna

Charles Scott for Wrap up. Janssen may be able to sponsor this presentation. Jane will follow up.

John Monahan

AACFP:

John Gannon offered to send out an early sign up for us in November with one of their mailings. Molly was unsure that the conference planning would be solid enough to send out full early registration but perhaps could be early membership sign up.

AACFP may want to hold their own social on Thursday so that their members can get to know each other.

Budget:

FMHAC made approximately \$17,000 on the 2005 conference. Carrie invested \$25,000 (the proceeds from the 2005 conference along with money from a bank account in Los Angeles, which she closed).

The total assets are \$192,000. This is up from last year due to increases in investments as well as proceeds from the last conference.

Website:

It is currently not working. Molly and Joel will continue to try to contact the domain name holder in order to have it transferred to FMHAC.

Mental Health Court:

Jo proposed via email the suggestion that FMHAC take on a sub-track for mental health courts in California. The Board agreed it was a good idea. Jo, Jane and Joel will work on finding speakers for the track and ways to contact possible attendees.

One idea was to have a panel of Marin, San Francisco, and Santa Clara county mental health court judges to explore the three very different models.