



AER MEMBERSHIP BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

**Sunday, July 24, 2022, 8:00 am-10:00 am
Union Station Hotel, St. Louis, MO**

- **Call To Order**

President Neva Fairchild called the meeting to order on July 24, 2022 at 8:00 am (CDT) in the Grand Ballroom at the Union Station hotel in St. Louis, MO.

Ms. Fairchild introduced the members of the 2020-2022 AER Board of Directors

President-Elect Olaya Landa-Vialard
Treasurer Kathryn Botsford
Past President Jill Brown
District 1 Rep Sharon Woods
District 2 Rep Amy Scepaniak
District 3 Rep Lauralyn Randles
District 4 Rep Kelly Jarosz
District 5 Rep Derrick Smith
District 6 Rep Tiffany Wilde

Canadian Rep Laurie Watson
Chair of CCP Sarah Moreau
Chair of CDC Ian Shadrick
Related Services Samantha Green
Adult Services Rep Ian Shadrick
Instructional Services Rep Tommy Roesch
Large Divisions Cluster JoAnne Chalom
Student Rep Nicholas Trotter

- **Treasurers Report**

AER Funds as of December 31, 2020:
Restricted Funds/Investment accounts, \$269,832
Checking Account, \$161,631
AER Shifted to a two-year budget in 2021
budgeted revenue 1/1/2021 through 12/31/2022, \$1,518,636
Total Revenue as of 6/30/2022, \$1,220,012
Restricted Funds/Investment accounts, \$269,841
checking account, \$535,496

Expenses:

Total Budgeted Expenses, \$1,498,792
Actual expenses as of June 30, 2022, \$850,836
Conference Budgeted revenue, \$269,500
Budgeted expenses, \$148500

- The office shifted to remote in 2019
- In 2021 a \$68,700 federal PPP loan was awarded. All criteria for the loan were met so the loan was forgiven
- The 2018 2019 and 2020 audits are complete with no issues.
- The 2021 audit has been initiated by staff and will be complete this

year.

Motion to Accept? Kelly Marks Motion Carried.

- Jill Brown read the minutes from the 2018 AER Business Meeting, held in Reno, Nevada.

Mark Richert asked that "the Medicare Reimbursement Task Force was suspended" be changed to "The task force concluded that this work should be suspended".

Mark Richert made a motion to accept the minutes as amended.
Motion carried.

- **Resolutions Committee:**

Mark Richert explained the resolution process and introduced his committee.

- Resolution 2022-002 Sandy Ruconich made a motion to adopt. Add VRT add all certificants
Motion carried.
- Resolution 2022-001 Olaya made a motion to adopt. Olaya made a friendly amendment.
Motion carried.
- Resolution 2202-004 Motion to adopt by Dawn Anderson. Change this country to United States and Canada. include professionals.
Motion carried.
- Resolution 2022-005 Brad Blair made a motion to adopt.
Motion defeated.
- Resolution 2022-003 Brad Blair made a motion to adopt. Add at Birmingham. Add language that the resolution expands beyond vision rehabilitation therapy to all vision professions and beyond aging to all ages.
Motion carried.
- Resolution 2022-006 Brad Blair made a motion to adopt.
Motion Carried.

- **New Business:**

Jill Brown thanked all who attended the conference, praised the presenters, and explained the process for evaluating the conference as well as obtaining CEUs.

Ms. Fairchild announced that the next conference would be held in the Northeast in July of 2024 and when dates and a location were chosen, announcements to the membership would be made.

Ms. Landa-Vialard introduced the new members of AER the Board of Directors and Ms. Fairchild passed the gavel to her.

President-Elect Mark Richert
Treasurer Shannon Darst
Secretary Leanne Grillot
Past President Neva Fairchild
District 1 Rep Ellen Hoke
District 2 Rep Heather Munro
District 3 Rep Amanda English
District 4 Rep Nancy Sharon
District 5 Rep Bradley Blair

District 6 Rep Teri Shirk
Canadian Rep Hana Boxerman
Chair of CCP Heather Solberg
Chair of CDC Raychel Callary
Related Services Nichola Casias
Adult Services John McMahon
Instructional Services Tommy Roesch
Large Divisions Cluster Raychel Callary

Kelly Martz made a motion to adjourn at 10:05 am.
Motion carried.