# Palmetto Association of Licensed Midwives Meeting Minutes March 8, 2017

Home of Alex Wagner: 1728 Fairhaven Drive, Columbia, SC 29210

I. Introductions/ Attendance: called to order by Adrienne Leeds, VP at 12:42
Alex Wagner- treasurer, Adrienne Leeds- Vice President, Lori Gibson- Secretary, Sandy
Glenn (virtually), Pam Wilson (virtually), Lisa Byrd, Susan Smart

LMA: Juliann Lee, LMA, Wendy Freeze, LMA

## II. Review and Adopt Minutes from Last Meeting

Adopted with suggested changes from Adrienne Leeds and Lori Gibson

### III. Financials/ Budget

Alex Wagner refunded \$48.25 via check to student who had joined PALM but is not an apprentice, \$175 check to S. Flowers. Current balance \$4,844.62.

#### VI. Old Business

 Articles should be sent to Lori Gibson to be uploaded to website. See schedule below. Send even if your month has passed, the article can be back dated on the site. This keeps traffic flowing to the PALM site.

February: Jami Morris (received by Lori Gibson, has been sent to web designer), March: Adrienne Leeds has an article in process. Other midwives will be contacted to continue.

- Legislative Breakfast: Adrienne Leeds reported that Jennifer O'Briant is scheduling the first available date to invite legislators and their staff, Adrienne Leeds and Alex Wagner have begun compiling info for the educational packets. Alex Wagner suggested that we have a large poster printed. Lori Gibson suggested having Stephanie Flowers design it. Adrienne Leeds and Alex Wagner will email info to members for approval to disseminate.
- Why Not Home?" Screenings: Lori Gibson reported about her screening, had about 60 people show up. Alex Wagner hosted a screening in Columbia on March 4, had about 10 people show up; would like to host another screening in May. Adrienne Leeds will be co-hosting a screening of the documentary in Charleston on April 3 at College of Charleston. Amy Leland and Sandy Glenn are interested for late March in the Greenville area. Everyone must get dates. location and ticket information to Lori Gibson ASAP so that she can request the dates from the producers of the documentary. If requested under "Carolina Birth Junkies" then the cost will be \$75 for each additional screening if we have 2 or

- more screenings scheduled (otherwise it costs \$350 for hosting an educational screening).
- Membership renewal dues now due with \$25 late fee. Discussed how to increase membership. Adrienne Leeds will send out survey regarding coverage in SC for membership as well

#### V. New Business

- Midwifery/ Birth Center Bill- statement from PALM. Update from Sandy Glenn.
  Proviso was reinstated edited to include ALL birth centers rather than accredited birth centers. It has passed through Ways and Means in a sub- committee, will go to House floor from March 13-16. Need to get new amendment to proviso stricken. Amendment can be changed and/ or stricken during those 4 days.
- H 3845 bill has been introduced and reflects national standards (as opposed H 3133), however hospital association does not support this bill. Adrienne Leeds read the letter drafted by she and Christine Wieberdink. Sandy Glenn suggested that we should only state that we support H 3845. PALM letter to be sent to Harvey Peeler- Senate, Leon Howard in House, Anne Parks, first Vice Chair of Ways and Means. Lisa Byrd made a motion to draft a separate letter opposing H3133 and S242, Lori Gibson seconded, All in favor, zero opposed.
- Sandy Glenn said we do not have a duplicate senate bill, will not need one if the house stops any bill. Senate will uphold House decision.
- Sandy Glenn discussed California LMs are keeping an attorney on retainer for a
  monthly fee and asked Susan Jenkins, attorney (co-authored ACA for birth
  centers), about this. Susan Jenkins offered to draft a monthly proposal and
  Sandy Glenn shared this with Christine Wieberdink. Only need a local attorney if
  a lawsuit goes to court. Sandy Glenn said that we are waiting on Susan Jenkins
  and Christine Wieberdink to get together to come up with a price.
- Lori Gibson announced the second annual Carolina Birth Junkies Retreat dates: August 25-27. Current price is \$550.00, payment can be sent to Lori Gibson at 2257 Keswick Lane, Rock Hill, SC 29732 or carolinabirthjunkies@gmail.com.
- Susan Smart moved that PALM purchase 200 CPM brochures, Lori Gibson seconded the motion. All in favor, zero opposed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20, Adrienne Leeds made motion, Lisa Byrd seconded. All in favor, zero opposed.

#### VI. Next Meeting date and location:

Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 10:00 at 1728 Fairhaven Rd, Columbia, SC (home of Alex Wagner). Potluck peer review to follow.