



## **Gateway Hemophilia Association Board Meeting Minutes – October 12, 2011**

Present: Bob Davidson, Larry Miller, Phil Hutsler, Nancy Phelps, Connie Turpin, Nicholas Fahey, Jim Blassingame, Suzanne Sirko-Carney

Absent: Bridget Tyrey, Diane Gassiraro, Brent Miller, Becky Thompson, Danielle Burton, Tyler Flores

The meeting opened at 5:35 p.m., with the approval of the August 16, 2011, minutes.  
(Motion by L. Miller, Second by P. Hutsler)

### **Committee Reports**

Nancy Phelps reported on behalf of the Events Committee and as of date they had raised \$26,000 in profits. The Holiday party will be December 11<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm at the Magic House. The GHA will also take part in the holiday lights fund raiser at Tilles Park on December 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-9:30 pm.

### **New Business**

Billie Berger spoke on behalf of Helping Hands and how the program is setup. Helping Hands is looking for more donations from the medical industry to help with dental care or oral health education. Nancy Phelps has written a request letter to send to companies that are tied to hemophilia, requesting financial assistance. A motion was made L. Miller and second by P. Hutsler to send the letter that Nancy wrote on behalf of the GHA, motion passed.

Bob Davidson spoke on the progress being made on the hiring of the new Executive Director. Four interviews were held and the decision had been narrowed down to two candidates. A special committee was formed to hold the final interview with the candidates following the meeting. That committee was made up of B. Davidson, P. Hutsler, N. Phelps, S. Carney, and N. Fahey.

Phil Hutsler spoke on reformatting the financial report to make it easier to read. He has agreed to work with the new Executive Director to finish this task.

Jim Blassingame has respectfully resigned from the board.

### **Items for October Agenda**

- Official announcement of the new Executive Director
- General Membership Meeting

The next meeting will be December 11th at 6:00pm, and will be held at the Magic House, following the General Membership Meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Board Secretary Nicholas Fahey