Wi-ATSA Board Meeting

October 21, 2023

Kalahari Resort Wisconsin Dells

President Leslie Barfknecht, Treasurer Jonathan Dickey, Secretary Amy Karn, Lindsay Wert, James Besson, Matthew Marsh, Kelli Bodie-Miner, Rachel Kahn, Susan Kelly, Valerie Gonsalves

Agenda

1. Conference planning for 2024
2. How be safe online; Focus on prevention; Thorn company started to find child pornography on the Internet (contacted previously with no response); Preventing gender-based violence; Theme of prevention for the conference? Teaching individuals about what risk-relevant behaviors are given increase of revocations for non-risk relevant behaviors
3. Could the Rape Crisis Center give a 90 minute presentation?
4. Could we do co-sponsors for our conference related to prevention?
5. Symposium about prevention – not just education, but how it can be used in practice
6. Who is our target audience? What are our goals for the conference?
7. Should we use Whova again? About 8% complained that it was virtual; 14% complained about the Whova platform; in-person, virtual, hybrid
8. Voting results about format of conference: 2 votes for hybrid, 2 votes for virtual

and 6 votes for in-person.

1. 2024 Conference will be in-person June 13th and 14th; can start looking for venues in January
2. Places to consider for the conference: Dells, Madison, Stevens Point
3. Content for conference – how to be safe online (James and Valerie will look into this; Lindsay will check with Amber about any contacts with Google); sex trafficking – maybe FBI agencies monitoring this (Jon can follow up as there is a human trafficking training next week); Rape Crisis Center to talk about what they do related to prevention (Lindsay to follow-up) Susan will check with new deputy hired specifically to address human trafficking.
4. Call for presenters with it noted that we will pay them a stipend and for their room as well as it having to be related to the theme of prevention. Need to have a location before we can put out the call. Leslie will work on this. Put this out in December to have them in by January meeting and decide who will receive a speaker contract.
5. Location for conference needs to be decided at the November meeting.
6. Post and e-mail a Save the Date for the conference so people are aware of when it is. (Matt can draft it and James will send it out).
7. Consideration for having this meeting following the June conference to address so cost savings – Thursday and Friday conference with Saturday meeting. Motion passed.

2.  Evaluating our 2023 goals and achievements.

a. Education

i. Conference went well and was well received. We also had good attendance.

ii. Whova is out; better off doing individual Zoom meetings

ii. SOUP was another part of education, and there were a number of discussions about it. Implementation did not occur during 2023. We were doing all of the work with little participation from attendees.

b. Bring together individuals who work with survivors and those who work with offenders

 i. Made progress with Rape Crisis Center

 ii. There were some discussions from individuals at UW-Madison who are doing

 research.

1. Have a voice in legislature
2. Doing a pilot program with Aniss
3. Bill tracker account

3.  Setting 2024 goals.

1. Education
2. Future of SOUP
3. Conference
4. ATSA conference is October 16th – 19th 2024
5. Prevention
6. Continue making connections with prevention agencies
7. New tiers for ATSA membership for non-clinical roles
8. Prevention-focused conference
9. Legislature
10. Pilot program with bill tracker
11. Become familiar with the bill tracker
12. Membership
13. Need a recruitment strategy
14. Swag for other conferences/exhibitors
15. E-mail blasts to ATSA members that live and work in Wisconsin

4.  Updates from ATSA

1. Shifting from President-only Listserv to Leadership Listserv
2. In San Antonio for 2024, looking to a one -day leadership meeting/training/support
3. Bringing swag to next conference
4. Illinois chapter bought bottle openers that said “Consent is key.”
5. Quarterly meetings; planning for next year’s ATSA
6. ATSA has been trying to figure out how to help state chapters with conferences.
7. For chapters having in-person conferences, ATSA will contact conference centers, hotels etc. to assist
8. MN has always been the biggest conference and have been around the most
9. We are in a good place financially
10. Not every state has a chapter
11. ATSA is starting to offer virtual trainings. There are also other places that are offering free trainings. There is a lot of competition for virtual trainings. Past conferences were only a one day “deep dive” into an instrument or specific research. A lot of agencies are cutting back on funding they are providing for training. How might this affect attendance at our conference?
12. Current draw is for anything related to technology
13. Increases in referrals for child pornography related issues
14. How to be safe online
15. Leslie will contact Elizabeth as the original idea for their trainings were related to policy. Gather information about what they plan to present.

5.  Committee reports

a. SOUP

 i. Converting this to case consultation?

 ii. Kelli created a form for participants to fill out related to consultation.

1. Membership
2. Wi-ATSA Listserv
3. How to recruit?
4. Pamphlet describing what we could offer to others
5. Prevention
6. Should focus efforts on in smaller counties
7. There are already prevention efforts and how can we support them without duplicating the work that is done already.
8. Lack of agreement about what people view as prevention

6. Elections

 a. Membership committee monitors these

 b. Board members introduce themselves at Annual Meeting

 c. Elections need to occur for 2024

7. Pilot project related to legislation with Aniss

 a. Bill tracker account

 b. There is also a way to embed information into our Website

 c. Our role is to give feedback about ease of access

8. Check bi-laws about how often we need to have meetings. Perhaps skipping July.

For next meeting November 8th 6:15 pm

1. Leslie will be prepared to show Bill tracker.
2. Matt will have Save the Date drafted.
3. Venues for conference.
4. Speaker ideas
5. Bi-laws