

International Vasa Previa Foundation, Inc.

IVPF Annual Members Meeting Minutes for 26 January 2004

IVPF Board of Directors present:

- Amy Brown Gaghagen
- Marlou van Dijck
- Cynthia Balota Paris
- Victoria Goldstein
- Debi Pederson

IVPF Participating Members present:

- Julie Boyd
- Natasha Donnelly
- Meredith Kirby
- Cara Mia Kuhfal
- Keri Vester

Agenda:

- Officer Reports
 - President's address to the members
 - Announcement of results of the vote for IVPF Board of Directors of 2004
 - Annual Treasury Report
- Membership Committee Report
- Public Relations Committee Report
- Research Committee Report
- Fundraising Committee Report
- Chapter Formation Committee Report
- Education Committee Report
- Support Committee Report
- Member Questions and Answers

Amy Brown Gaghagen, President made the following statement: Hello everyone and welcome to the Annual Members Meeting! I am pleased to see such a nice turnout!

She then opened the meeting at 18:37 GMT (12:37 PM CST, 1:37 PM EST)

Officer Reports:

- Amy Brown Gaghagen, IVPF President made the following President Report for 2003:

The International Vasa Previa Foundation, Inc. (IVPF) has had an extremely eventful year. At the 2003 Annual Meeting, the Foundation sponsored a

conference in Fort Lauderdale, Florida on vasa previa, stillbirth, and lethal complications of pregnancy resulting from abnormalities of the umbilical cord. The committee system has been quite successful, and an additional committee for support for those affected by this condition was formed. Several fundraisers took place, and the corporation was able to raise a substantial amount of money for future projects. We created a medical advisory board and invited several exceptional medical doctors renowned for their expertise with vasa previa to become members of the advisory board. The website continues to grow as pages for other languages are developed. The foundation was an integral part of a major study and paper published by Yinka Oyelese MD in November, 2003.

In December, we experienced a major reorganization. It was decided that in order for both the Dutch organization and the Illinois organization to function to the fullest extent possible, there needed to be a slight distance between the two organizations. The International Vasa Previa Foundation, Inc. has, by mutual agreement with the Vasa Previa Foundation organization in the Netherlands, dissolved the adoption of the Netherlands' chapter organization, and will no longer operate as chapter organizations within one central organization. Rather we will function as sister organizations within a "Vasa Previa Foundation Network". This has caused the Illinois organization to officially stop doing business as the Vasa Previa Foundation and take up the official corporate name for all business. Furthermore, it was decided that the IVPF will not create chapters within other countries. Instead, the IVPF will encourage any country wishing to formalize a vasa previa organization within its own country to do so as part of the Vasa Previa Foundation Network.

The International Vasa Previa Foundation has experienced another year of amazing growth and continues to be one of the leading sources of information on this obstetrical condition.

Dated: 24 January 2004
Amy Brown Gaghagen, IVPF President

- Cynthia Balota Paris, Secretary made the following Annual Proxy Report:

Accordingly registered by the IVPF Secretary, 43 of 59 written proxies were submitted in total by IVPF participating members, all of which were unanimous for the election of Amy Brown Gaghagen, Marlou van Dijck, Cynthia Balota Paris, Victoria Patricia Goldstein, and Debi Pederson to serve as IVPF Directors for the calendar year 2004.

Proxies returned to the IVPF Secretary constitute more than 72.8 percent of the IVPF participating membership, all of whom are entitled by IVPF Bylaw to vote in this election.

There being no other proxies submitted or votes registered for any other candidate, Amy Brown Gaghagen, Marlou van Dijck, Cynthia Balota Paris, Victoria Patricia Goldstein, and Debi Pederson are hereby elected, in accordance with IVPF Bylaws, to serve as IVPF Directors for the year 2004 by an affirmative vote of more than 72.8% of the IVPF participating membership.

Dated: January 27, 2003

So certified by Cynthia Balota Paris, Secretary

- Victoria Patricia Goldstein, Treasurer made the following annual report:

Total Income 28,332.52, Total Expense 5,984.95, Net Income 22,318.34

The full IVPF 2003 Treasury report was contained in documentation IVPF participating members received before this meeting, is included at the end of these minutes, and may be obtained from the Secretary upon request.

Membership Committee Report 2003:

- IVPF Participating Members: Jan 2004: 59 Jan 2003: 39
- Email Group Subscribers:
IVPF (newsletter) - Jan 2004: 295 Jan 2003: 216
Vasa_Previa - Jan 2004: 151 Jan 2003: 104
- An IVPF operations manual was produced by special committee during 2003 and was mailed and emailed to all IVPF participating members.

Dated: January 26, 2004

Cynthia Balota Paris, Membership Committee Chairperson

Public Relations Committee Report 2003:

- Documents produced: Materials for Sophie's Walk 2004
- Coverage obtained: Various articles and interviews for magazines, television, newspapers, and websites in the USA, Australia, UK and Netherlands.
- Event: Sophie's Walk for Vasa Previa - on August 24th, the second birthday of her VP angel Sophie Isabelle, Sophie's Walk took place in 34 cities around the world raising almost \$24,000

Dated: January 12, 2004

Victoria Goldstein, Public Relations Committee Chairperson

Research Committee Report 2003:

- Research project with Yinka Oyelese MD was completed. More than 150 records were gathered and analyzed.
- Article was published in the Contemporary OBGYN, November 2003 issue. "Vasa previa: Are most perinatal deaths preventable?" was cover story. This journal is received by 40,000 obstetricians.
- Article was also submitted to Journal of OBGYN and will be published in summer of 2004.

- Additional articles were published in prestigious medical journals in the USA and the UK.
- Val Catanzarite MD, Dolores Pretorius MD, Jason Collins MD, Yinka Oyelese MD and Jason Birnholz MD were invited and accepted appointments to the International Vasa Previa Foundation's Medical Advisory Board.

Dated: January 12, 2004

Victoria Goldstein, Research Committee Chairperson

In addition to this report, the President announced that there will be a vacancy in the Chairmanship of this committee. Anyone interested in taking over the responsibility may inquire with the current chairperson or any member of the Executive Committee. Applicants will be reviewed by the Executive Committee.

Fundraising Committee Report 2003:

- Event: Sophie's Walk for Vasa Previa - on August 24th, the second birthday of VP angel Sophie Isabelle, Sophie's Walk took place in 34 cities around the world raising almost \$24,000. The money was raised money for research and education to prevent the rare condition.
- Holiday Cards: Holiday cards were produced for sale during the 2003 Holiday Season. Cards were sold at \$20 per 20 card pack. Original design for cards provided by Jacqueline Mullikin, mother to vasa previa survivor McNeill.
- Parachute Jump: Emma Stewart's sister raised funds for IVPF with a parachute jump in the UK. Approximately 1,000 pounds were raised.

Dated: January 12, 2004

Victoria Goldstein, Fundraising Committee Chairperson

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Chapter Formation Committee Report 2003:

- This year this committee remained dormant for most of the year. Some time and attention was given to formalizing a chapter in the United Kingdom, but it is a complicated procedure that can be risky financially and legally for those UK residents involved. Due to the reorganization of the corporation, the International Vasa Previa Foundation, Inc. has decided to not organize chapters within other countries. This committee will therefore be dissolved.

Dated: 24 January 2003

Amy Brown Gaghagen, Chapter Formation Committee Chairperson

Education Committee Report 2003:

- During 2003 the Education Committee has been focused on two main projects, a brochure and a short film piece produced in conjunction with Penn State University.
- The Education Committee worked on changes to the brochure. Marlou has

given the brochure to a friend for design and layout help. Until this version is approved the original (Word) version is the one that is being used.

- Work on the film is complete.

Dated: January 14, 2004

Meredith Kirby, Education Committee Chairperson

Support Committee Report 2003:

- The Support Committee was officially started in 2003. The corresponding web site is a work in progress.

Dated: January 9, 2004

Kathy Blades, Support Committee Chairperson

MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:

- Debi Pederson: I would like to comment on all the fantastic work such a small group of people have accomplished over the past 12 short months. I look forward to being a part of this.
 - Cindy Paris replied: We look forward to having you too, Debi! Congratulations on your election!!!

There being no other questions, comments, or business to come before this Annual Members Meeting of the International Vasa Previa Foundation, Inc., it was adjourned at 19:30 GMT (1:30 PM CST, 2:30 PM EST).

The next IVPF Annual Members Meeting is tentatively scheduled to take place on Monday, 24 January 2004. The exact time and location will be announced at a later date.

International Vasa Previa Foundation, Inc.

Profit and Loss

January through December 2003

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income	
Contributions Income	
Unrestricted	<u>3,303.20</u>
Total Contributions Income	3,303.20
Miscellaneous Income	.46
IVPF Store	835.94
Walk 2003 Donations	8534.01
Walk Income	
Austin Walk	275.00
Boca Raton Walk	1,459.25
Boston Walk	890.00
Cleveland Walk	1,190.00
Dallas Walk	3,202.00
Del Mar Walk	50.00
Greenville Walk	915.00
Mexico Walk	375.00
Moline Walk	1,100.00
St. Louis Walk	910.83
State College Walk	815.00
Walk Income – Other	<u>4,476.83</u>
Total Walk Income	15,658.91
Total Income	<u>28,332.52</u>
Expense	
Bank Service Charges	625.94
Collateral Materials	394.09
Licenses and Permits	525.00
Miscellaneous	83.15
Office Supplies	17.49
Postage and Delivery	302.36
Printing and Reproduction	44.00
Productions Fees	485.45
Supplies – Office	83.71
Travel & Ent	
Meals	90.50
Travel	<u>1,112.04</u>
Total Travel & Ent	1,202.54
Uncategorized Expenses	0.00
Walk Expense	<u>2,221.12</u>
Total Expense	<u>5,984.95</u>
Net Ordinary Income	22,347.67
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Income	<u>.64</u>
Total Other Income	.64
Other Expense	
Other Expenses	<u>29.97</u>
Total Other Expense	<u>29.97</u>
Net Other Income	<u>-29.33</u>
Net Income	<u>22,318.34</u>

International Vasa Previa Foundation, Inc.
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2003

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

International Vasa Previa Foundation, Inc. Savings

550.64

Wells Fargo Bank – Checking

26,988.41

Total Checking/Savings

27,539.05

Total Current Assets

27,539.05

TOTAL ASSETS

27,539.05

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Credit Cards

International Vasa Previa Foundation, Inc. debit

146.50

Total Credit Cards

146.50

Total Current Liabilities

146.50

Total Liabilities

146.50

Equity

Opening Bal Equity

740.14

Retained Earnings

4,334.07

Net Income

22,318.34

Total Equity

27,392.55

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY

27,539.05