Chester County HLAA Chapter Meeting

February 10, 2016

Meeting Minutes

**Administrative**

 **Budget**

 $2554.28 balance

 Executive Committee approved the budget for 2016

 Change is an increase in convention scholarship - with a good expected walk and carryover from last year.

 **New Contact Information**

 hlaachesco@gmail.com; 484-402-4907, [www.hearinglosschesco.com](http://www.hearinglosschesco.com)

**Information Update**

 **HLAA -PA State Office**

 Next Advisory Council -April 2, 2016

 Bill Best and Bill Pfeiffer are both advisory council members. If there are any questions, comments or concerns to share at the next advisory council meeting, contact Bill B and/or Bill P.

 **HLAA National**

 Convention 2016 - June 23-26, 2016 Washington DC, Register by May 31

 Scholarships announced last month, 2 scholarships still available

 PA Scholarship available - March deadline

 Banquet seating available soon, preliminary schedule available online

**Old Business**

 Walk 4 Hearing - Sunday October 9, 2016 \*MARK YOUR CALENDARS\*

 HLAA -CC Goal $8000

 Facebook Update - Carolyn introduced Clara from WCU

 will continue to collaborate with facebook administrators and try to reach more people via this social media outlet.

 Roger Pen Demo - available for trial

 WGAL Captioning the News Presentation - Lancaster County Chapter, April 19, 10 am

 Lancaster Chapter is looking for some support from other local chapters to attend this event. Steve and Judy indicated that they will be able to attend.

**New Business**

 **Outreach**

 Walnut Street Theatre - Sent information about Freckleface Strawberry The Musical,

 MARCH 31 – APRIL 16, 2016, TICKETS: $14 - $16 · RUNNING TIME: 1 HOUR. They have one performance with ASL and one with open captioning. They also have assistive listening devices for all performances.

 Wegmans - one store hooked up with looping but staff don't know much about it

 Downingtown is the pilot for this region, others are receiving information to begin a looping opportunity in the near future. Steve made a connection with one of the managers to stay in touch and share information about the looping capabilities.

 Chester County Pastoral Care Committee -received information about Chester County HLAA through Steve's attendance at a recent meeting

 Movie Tavern - Steve/Judy and Bill/Carolyn have been to the new Exton Movie Tavern. The equipment is not preferred and the staff was encouraged to consider captioning glasses.

 Facebook/website

 would like to explore free website options, update design and format. Partnership with Clara, WCU student, to potentially introduce some options.

 Civic Organizations

 Bill B making connections with local rotary clubs

 Assisted Living Facilities

 Bill B trying to make connections before, during and after many phone installs that he does for CaptionCall.

HLAA Webinars

recorded on the website and captioned. Many topics are worthwhile!

 **Speaker Topics**

 Tom Goyn audiologist, faculty at Salius

 Coclear implant education

 CapTel/PA Relay Service

 Hearing Spouses / Roundtable Discussion

 April, May or next fall

**Informational Topic/ Discussion**

 **Guest Speaker : Ellen Delp**

 President, West Chester University Chapter of National Student Speech Language and Hearing Association, NSSLHA. [www.asha.org/nsslha](http://www.asha.org/nsslha)

1. What is NSSLHA?

 Student branch of the American Speech Language Hearing Association (ASHA). A group that prepares students in undergraduate and graduate programs for the professional world in Speech Language Pathology or Audiology

2. What does NSSLHA participate in?

 $500 donation to NSSLHA Loves! campaign winner. This year's organization is Sertoma

 Also donate to an organization of the chapters' choice from funds raised at

 Art with A Heart Auction.

 Provides awareness and education to campus regarding hearing loss prevention,

 voice disorders and speech disorders.

3. How can HLAA and NSSLHA partner to support community awareness and service?

 NSSLHA WCU students volunteered and walked at the 2015 Walk 4 Hearing and plan to be continued with the upcoming 2016 Walk as well.

 NSSLHA's introduced the Annual Art with a Heart Auction

 Sykes Student Union - West Chester University, April 11, 2-5pm FreeParking

 HLAA table can be set up

 Donate items to raffle / volunteers to set up or tear down

 If interested in volunteering day of event or donating art work,

 contact Ellen at delpellen@aol.com