SEFA Council Meeting Monday March 18, 2013 (conference call)

Council members present on the call: Maria Harple, Cherice Granger, Nick LaMorte, Furn Lorento Cornelia Mead, Kathryn Pantaleo, Jessica Wangelin, and Caroline Westbrook.

Council members absent from the call: none.

Staff: Suzanne Maloney.

FCCMs: Adeline Arvidson, Barbara Bates, Laurelee Dever, Cynthia Eberhardt, Meredith Jones, Regina Hendrix, Sandy Miglori, Sheila O'Connor, Kathy Snow, and Deb Tederous, Marilyn Wilson, and Rodney Young.

Federations: Cindy Tarleton.

- 1. Approval of the minutes from February 28 minutes were approved
- 2. Local Charities presented for Council consideration:
 - a. Suzanne explained that the local committee applications were reviewed by the local committees, sixteen applicants had been approved, and two applicants were not. The Council has the authority to overturn the decision of a local committee if the decision made is not within the regulations. The Broome/Chenango Committee's decision to decline Huntington's Disease did not meet with the regulations. The Council voted to accept all those charities accepted by the local committees and to overturn the Broome/Chenango Committee's decision. The Council voted to accept the one local charity also declined by the Broome/Chenango Committee.
- 3. Vote to seat new Council member from Region 5:
 - a. Sullivan/Ulster Committee presented Peter Decicco as their representative on the Council.
 - b. Nick La Morte motioned to accept this committee representative.
 - c. Maria asked if Peter had been voted in as representative by all of the local committees in his region. She stated since Westchester did not have a local committee was there an issue the Council should review. Discussion resolved the issue. The motion was modified that Peter would join the Council until the issue with Westchester was resolved and the Council would then take another vote. Caroline Westbrook seconded the motion. The motion was passed.
- 4. Suzanne reported that the recertification process had begun and that the process as previously approved by the Council is working well.
- 5. Suzanne reported that the final campaign numbers had not all been collected but to date preliminary results showed a decline in the campaign. Discussion resolved that there should be a committee developed to look at issues impacting the campaign.

Meeting adjourned at 2:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Maloney, Statewide SEFA Director