

NCCSD Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
October 15, 2009

PRESENT:

Robbie Endris, President
Alicia Key, Vice President
John Bernhart, Secretary-Treasurer
Brenda Lyttle, Past President
Laurie McGrath, Region I
Alisha Griffin, Region II
Gary Dart, Region VI
Carol Eaton, Region VII
Terry Walter, Region VIII
David Catagnola for Louise Bush, Region IX
Kandace Yearsley, Region X

Convened the meeting a little after 3:30 PM EDT and Robbie Endris welcomed all of the members of NCCSD's Executive Committee for 2009-2010.

Minutes and Treasurer's Report – As the minutes from the September 25 Executive Committee meeting had only recently been distributed, and there was a need for clarification on some of the topics, it was decided to withhold approval until the November meeting. Outgoing Secretary/Treasurer Key reported there was \$52,706.29 in the NCCSD account today, including a deposit of \$5,745 for the June conference and a debit of \$10 to CVENT.

It was reported that there are outstanding bills from CVENT and the Lewin Group and an outstanding registration fee from Sammi Schulz of the IRS for the June Conference. Alicia reported we made \$25,668 on the Jackson Hole Conference. Brenda moved and Carol seconded a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, which passed unanimously.

Transition Comments – Robbie stated that Nick Young, Mike Schwindt, and Dan McDonald had agreed to review the Council's fiscal records, a task they had performed during previous transitions. Alicia sent the current NCCSD Directory out to everyone to identify any needed changes or updates.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Audit Committee – No Report.

By-Laws Committee – Scott Cade is the Chair, along with members Nick and Dan. Brenda agreed to join the committee. They have had two meetings and work continues.

Medical Support Committee – Alisha referenced some comments she had shared with all Directors on the proposed DCL on medical support. She noted that she feels the OCSE has changed their opinion on the issue of incarcerated obligors. Directors were encouraged to review those comments and share any additional ones they might have with the membership. Alisha discussed the medical support survey that went out to all Directors; 33 have responded, and the remainder will be encouraged to respond. Alisha mentioned that the OCSE is in a holding pattern on medical support, waiting for healthcare reform to play out, as evidenced by the Commissioner's comments in DCL-09-27 dated 9/17/09, which dropped the review of the medical support performance indicator lines for the FY 2009 audit cycle.

TANF Reauthorization Committee – Kandee reported that the committee will meet 10/22 and that Marilyn Stephen has seen some encouraging signs with respect to permanent restoration of the incentive match. Scott, Alisha, Wally Naylor, Pam Lowry and Barry Miller are also members.

New Committee – Robbie announced the creation of a Mandatory Notice/Cost Savings Committee chaired by Carol. Other members are Laurie, Barry, Wayland Campbell, Alisha, and Terry; members are still needed from Regions II, III, IV, and X. Robbie and Alisha had discussed the effort to build a case for the elimination of the mandatory collection notices with Vicki earlier in the day. While she would not commit to elimination of the requirement, she understood the issue and was willing to hear the arguments. The group will look at other mandates that Directors feel should be eliminated or altered; Directors are encouraged to share their ideas with their Regional representative.

Funding Coalition Report – Robbie provided an update from Marilyn, who indicated that Senator Rockefeller's standalone bill is presently on the back burner due to other issues the Senate is considering. Marilyn encouraged Directors to continue to provide information helpful to the effort to permanently reinstate the incentive match to her, Alisha, and Barbara Pryor of Sen. Rockefeller's staff.

Hague Convention Testimony in the Senate – Alisha reported on the great job done by all those who addressed the Senate Ways and Means Committee to encourage the Senate to ratify the Convention on Child Support. The full testimony can be found on the Senate Finance Committee's website.

Monthly OCSE Call Report – Robbie and Alicia reported on their conversation with Vicki on 10/13. Vicki appreciated everyone's response to the PSOC survey. She stated the OCSE is compiling a list of each state's laws and/or procedures with respect to private collection agencies. Vicki also reported the OCSE is reviewing the states' concerns regarding excessive recordkeeping related to the Access and Visitation grants; while she felt the concerns were valid, she was unable to promise immediate changes.

Incentive Letters and Discussion – Directors have been responding to their Governor's Office on a letter they received from DHHS Secretary Sebetius regarding the incentive

issue. Robbie sent copies of the letters to the membership so they would know what their Governor received. Vicki will be sending out a second letter before the end of October reflecting the three-year accounting of incentive payments NCCSD requested. It is not known whether the letter will describe why and how this problem arose.

Conferences – Directors Meetings

OCSE Conference in November – There will be a meeting with Commissioner Turetsky, and 22 states' Directors are attending or sending representatives.

NCSEA Mid-Year – NCSEA was unable to provide a meeting room for NCCSD until 3:30 PM on Sunday. The Board felt that time would not work and agreed to contact NCSEA to see whether they could provide a room for a NCCSD meeting on Wednesday morning (1/27/10)

Old Business – None

New Business – None

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 EDT

Next Meeting – Thursday, November 19, 2009 at 4:30 PM EST.

As the sun set over the French Quarter, the members retired to the veranda for cool libations and conviviality as their ever-charming President regaled them with fascinating tales from the bayou.