

NCCSD Executive Committee Meeting Minutes May 20, 2010

PRESENT:

Robbie Endris, President
John Bernhart, Secretary-Treasurer
Brenda Lyttle, Past President
Laurie McGrath, Region I
Alisha Griffin, Region II
Benidia Rice, Region III
Gary Dart, Region VI
Carol Eaton, Region VII
Terry Walter, Region VIII
Louise Bush, Region IX
Kandace Yearsley, Region X

The meeting was called to order at 3:33 PM EDT.

Minutes – Gary motion, Louise second to approve the minutes of the April meeting.
Approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – As of today, there is \$82,779.92 in our bank account. There are also \$18,900 in pending registration fees for a total of \$101,679.92 in assets going into the Conference. Robbie mentioned the attendees have reserved all of the rooms set aside by the hotel for the Conference, and the hotel has been able to accommodate those who exceeded that figure. Brenda moved, Gary seconded, and the Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Audit Committee – The Committee will provide a report at the Sunday NCCSD meeting. They are trying to provide access for other Directors to call in to the meeting. Laurie reported on a visit by the OCSE Audit staff to a Region I Directors meeting that the Directors felt was constructive.

By-Laws Committee – The Committee will recommend separating the Secretary and Treasurer positions for a total of four elected officers at the Annual Meeting.

Scott Case has agreed to serve as Parliamentarian at the Conference.

Medical Support Committee – Alisha reported on a Medical Support Colloquium that was held in Washington, DC recently. Put on by the Urban Institute, the Colloquium brought together representatives from the Child Support and Medicaid programs at the state and federal level. There was a lot of interest in putting the cash medical requirement in abeyance for the time being. There is also a belief that the CHP program will be absorbed by the Health Insurance Exchanges each state must create.

TANF Reauthorization Committee – Marilyn Stephen is co-chairing the Committee. Jean Fogarty is replacing the retiring Barry Miller. Joyce Pitts of the OCSE told Robbie that an OCSE workgroup is looking at the incentive match issue and will coordinate with the above NCCSD committee.

Mandatory Notices/Cost Savings Committee – The Committee met last week. They are preparing a letter to send out to all Directors to inform them of certain regulations pertaining to notices they may not be aware of; these are things that lessen the states' burdens. They will also inform the members of the status of the issues they have been discussing and will begin soliciting new issues from the states. Some things they are currently reviewing are the requirement for two 60-day case closure notices, sending I/As to UCB agencies, and the federal waiver list.

They have discovered that states that have developed creative solutions to help reduce the financial and resource cost of certain federal regulations would rather not raise those issues with the OCSE. The OCSE has acknowledged that the requests for cost- saving ideas they solicited through their Regional Offices made it appear they were not working with the NCCSD Committee. Their effort is now in synch with ours, and they will be working any issues through our committee.

Monthly OCSE Call Report – The call occurred on May 4. Eileen Brooks shared information on a CSE/DV collaboration and mentioned Pennsylvania, Washington, and Massachusetts as having good programs. The OCSE is developing plans to recognize the CSE program's 35th Anniversary this year. Vicki said they would address the mandatory notice issue at the Conference. They are receiving lots of requests for information regarding the use of the ARRA funds and may be asking states for more information. Vicki wants to communicate more with the Directors. She mentioned there would be some changes forthcoming to the Access & Visitation Program; any fees received must be considered as program income and be funneled back into the program.

GAO Study on Funding – The GAO has selected ten states: Louisiana, Texas, Michigan, Iowa, and Maine among them, to study child support funding. They will be interviewing those states, and the expectation is that the study will be extensive in its reach.

Incentive Study – Joyce Pitts' OCSE Workgroup will work with our TANF Reauthorization Committee.

Old Business – None.

New Business – None.

Next Meeting - The next meeting of the NCCSD is the Annual Meeting on June 13, 2010 in New Orleans, Louisiana.

The Executive Committee Meeting adjourned at 4:13 PM EDT. Louise moved, Carol second, members unanimously hung up.