

**Executive Committee Meeting**April 16, 2020

**AGENDA**

3:00–4:30 PM Eastern • 2:00–3:30 PM Central • 1:00–2:30 PM Mountain • 12:00–1:30 PM Pacific

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Members & Attendees

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Jim Fleming\* President Jeremy Toulouse\* Region 6

Erin Frisch\* Past President Carol Eaton\* Region 7

Michele Cristello\* Vice President, Audit Chad Dexter\* Region 8

Kate Cooper Richardson\* Secretary, Region 10, Website Heather Noble\* Region 9

Liesa Stockdale\* Treasurer, Finance Carla West Systems & Data Sharing

Robin Arnell\* Region 1, Systems & Data Sharing David Kilgore Public Relations

Terrence Joseph\* Region 2 Eileen Stack Policy & Practice

Benidia Rice\* Region 3 Karen Hebert Mentoring/Newbies

Lyndsy Landry Irwin\* Region 4 Robert Patrick Collaborative Analytics

Jeff Aldridge\* Region 5 Sharon Redmond Collaborative Analytics

**\*Voting member**

Welcome

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

Treasurer’s Report

President’s Report

Committee Reports

* Audit Workgroup – Michele
* Child Support Employer Workgroup – Jim
* Collaborative Analytics – Sharon, Robert
* Finance Committee – Liesa
* Joint Committee on Public Relations – David
* Mentoring Committee – Karen
* Policy and Practice Committee – Eileen, Carol
* System Modernization and Data Sharing Workgroup – Carla, Robin
* Website Committee – Kate

Unfinished Business

* 2020 Annual meeting in Medora

New Business

* How can NCCSD serve YOU and the interests of your program?
  + Do we even want to try to have an in-person meeting in 2020, or perhaps schedule a series of webinars covering similar information and spread out over a number of weeks?
* If there is COVID 4 legislation, how do you feel about:
  + A new round of stimulus payments – opt-out of offset, or participate?
  + Amendments to Title IV-D – what requirements in federal law or rule would you like repealed, suspended, or modified to give us needed flexibility or remove negative consequences for limited or delayed program activities?
  + Incentive measures – would we propose a “hold harmless” approach where a state’s share of the pool at the end of FY 2020 is the same as for FY 2019, or are we comfortable moving forward as-is knowing we all can expect a hit on performance?  If the House proposes again a potential increase in federal match to 100% in the discretion of the secretary, are reduced incentives moot for FY 2020?
* What program changes would we seek from OCSE or Congress in expectation of a spike in unpaid child support, aging computer systems which do not adapt quickly, and reduced ability to earn for many parents who owe child support and are not able to return to their former employment?
* Do we publicly express frustration with the lack of guidance from the federal government on COVID-19 responses, including stimulus payments, and if so, how?

Thank you for the update. Closure on this matter is helpful in itself, and I will share this information with the state directors.

Unfortunately, for the states who were interested in excluding cases from the offset process, the requested guidance will come too late. The clearance process has nullified any state choice in this matter. Since we are aware you have done all you could, we encourage your office to bring to the attention of the appropriate authorities within the administration that their delay has had the effect of thwarting legislative intent by denying interested states the opportunity to exclude cases from offset if the money would be retained for assigned arrears instead of going to families. Perhaps a few states can reprogram or “break” their computerized disbursement process to avoid retaining support, but many will not. A state cannot simply switch from PRWORA distribution to DRA distribution at will, especially in the current working environment for states.

To be clear, we understand this has been out of your control, but that doesn’t change the outcome. The clearance process failed states who needed this information in a more timely manner.

* Do you think NCCSD should be taking a position on areas of consensus in writing which can be shared with Congress and OCSE?  If so, do we find value in partnering with other child support organizations when our positions align?
* Regarding flexibility for the 2-day time frames related to disbursing collections and the 2-day timeframe related to IWOs, what is a reasonable extension of timeframes?
* For disbursement, is the issue related to paper checks only or are electronic payment processes also impacted right now?

Next Meeting – May 21, 2020, at 2 PM Central.