

MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting
Southeastern Association of Community Action Agencies
Beau Rivage
Biloxi, Mississippi
July 22, 2014

The July 22, 2014 Southeastern Association of Community Action Agencies Board of Directors meeting was called to order by President Ricky Baker at 10:09 a.m.

Roll Call: The roll was called by Brenda Fox, Secretary of the Board. A quorum was declared.

Present: Deloris Johnson, James Lowe, William Holt, Gloria Lewis, Ricky Baker, Brenda Fox, Kim Embrey-Hill, Darrell Shouse, Paul Dole, Sandra Sewell, Helmon Johnson, Steve Gaines, Bryan Duncan, E. Marie Watson, Paula Dickson, Arnold Collins, Walter Fleming, Leroy Gilliard, Rickie McQueen, Julia Presson, Don Ridgeway and Management Consultant Sharon Goodson.

Minutes: Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed.

A motion was made by E. Marie Watson to approve the minutes as presented. Leroy Gilliard seconded the motion. Board approved by unanimous consent.

Finance Report: Treasurer Arnold Collins presented Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet for calendar year 2014 as of July 07, 2014. Mr. Collins noted \$57,169 in total income with total expenses of \$52,197, balance of \$4,972.49 and total equity of \$132,395.

A motion was made by Paul Dole to approve the financial report as presented. William Holt seconded the motion. Board approved by unanimous consent.

COMMITTEES:

Partnership: Paul reminded everyone of the annual conference to be held in DC, not only is it the 50th anniversary but also a wonderful training opportunity. Paul further reported negotiations between Don Mathis and the Partnership office broke down resulting in a separation. The Partnership office is going strong.

NCAF: David Bradley working hard on reauthorization. CPAP desperately needs your donation today. Paul suggested contributing on-line

BYLAW: E. Marie Watson suggested a discussion regarding the bylaws referencing conference calls. It was suggested that the Bylaws committee draft language to amend the bylaws allowing one to two regularly scheduled yearly meetings to be held by webinar/conference call. Arnold Collins made the motion up to two meetings annually to be hosted through electronic means. Kim Embrey Hill seconded the motion. Board approved by unanimous consent. The Bylaw committee will draft the resolution and will present to the committee 10 days prior to the annual conference for review.

MEMBERSHIP: Sharon Goodson distributed 2013/2014 membership dues report indicating a total of 95 agencies have submitted payment.

An inquiry regarding receipt of membership fees for the Mississippi Association of CAA's began. It was noted at this time there was no record of receipt of funds in the amount of \$5,250 from one entity.

PROGRAM: Conference program brochure distributed. Sharon Goodson gave a breakdown of the number of rooms secured. Sharon stated rooms are going fast and advised there is not a guarantee that more rooms will be available at the same low rate.

Poverty Wall will be on display at the conference in Biloxi.

Sharon Goodson reminded everyone of the pre-conference, the Jimmie-Samuel Day of Service and to please support the silent auction.

ELECTION: This is an election year, ballots have been distributed, and deadline for submittal of ballots is August 06, 2014. Results of the election will be tallied and announced at the next SEACAA Board meeting.

FINANCE: Arnold Collins noted new treasurer would take over Jan 01, 2015. Arnold made the suggestion the current treasurer carry the responsibility until Dec 31. The current treasurer will forward \$1,000 to the new treasurer allowing him/her to open a new account in which to transfer all funds in the month of January.

Action/Discussion Items:

- Deloris Johnson reminded everyone award applications are due no later than August 15, 2014 to be presented at the SEACAA Awards program.
- Deloris Johnson made the motion that a resolution should be drafted between NCAF and Partnership referencing Designation renewal concerning CLASS. E. Marie Wallace seconded the motion. Board approved by unanimous consent. Paul Dole, Deloris Johnson and Leroy Gilliard volunteered to draft the resolution.
- Rick Baker introduced the idea of implementing a formal MOU between Region 4 Head Start and SEACCA. Ricky suggested this might advance the Head Start relationship in Region 4. Deloris Johnson made the motion to implement a MOU between SEACAA and Region 4 Head Start. Leroy Gilliard seconded. Board approved by unanimous consent.

STATE REPORTS:

GEORGIA: Work continues on new standards.

50th anniversary conference was very well attended; Bernie King was the key note speaker.

TENNESSEE: Annual conference to be held in Nashville November 3-5, 2014.

Tennessee has ROMA trainers across the state.

ALABAMA: No report

MISSISSIPPI: CSBG Office and the Mississippi Association partnering to host a joint conference in November 2014.

Helmon Johnson introduced Steve Gaines. Steve is vice president of the MACAA and Executive Director of Northeast Miss. Community Service.

KENTUCKY: Annual conference was hosted in Louisville in June.

Concern noted regarding the possibility of a joint application process for LiHeap and the Affordable Care Act. Paul Dole announced a training opportunity with David Bradley to be hosted at LKLP August 11-13, 2015. Registration for this training opportunity can be found on the SEACAA website.

FLORIDA: Deloris Johnson has been named Chairman of the Florida Association.

All sessions presented at annual conference were electronically recorded and are available on line.

CSBG Applications 2014/2015 have received approval.

The next annual state conference will be hosted in Orlando May 12-15, 2015.

Rickie Baker advised Florida has one vacancy on the SEACAA Board, please recruit another member to participate.

NORTH CAROLINA: Annual conference went very well. Location of next year's conference not yet confirmed but will be in Asheville or Wilmington. North Carolina is struggling with WX, operating with an 11 month contract. Duke Energy released a RFP which the State Association has applied.

SOUTH CAROLINA: ROMA trainers in every agency across the state.

Leroy Gillard retiring December 2014.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda L. Fox, Secretary
SEACAA Board of Directors