

**NIHSDA
Board of Directors Meeting
December 14, 2006**

Call to Order: Theo Bayou, President, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. EST.

Roll Call: Roll call was taken by the Secretary, Ann Belleau. A quorum of the Board of Directors was established.

PRESENT	NOTIFIED	NOT NOTIFIED
President - Theo Bayou President Elect - Dorothy McCloud Secretary - Ann Belleau Treasurer - Joyce McClellan Region 1 - Vacant Region 2 - John Pavek Region 3 - Hilda Marshall Region 4 - Danny Wells Region 5 - LouAnn Tenequer. Alt. Region 7 - Mavany Verdugo - Gil Gonzales, Alt. Region 8 - Vicki Bishop, Alt. Region 9 - Vacant	Region 2 - Kevin Hedstrom, Alt. Region 4 - Sue Sampler, Alt. Region 5 - Suellen Hixon Region 6 - Caroline Alcaida, Alt. Region 10 - Christina Keenan - Ralph Booth, Alt.	Region 3 - Sara Young Bird, Alt. Region 6 - Mary Bendle Region 8 - Susan Carlson

Others Present: Toni Dobrec, Kathryn Helsel and Kristi Bentkowski from the MCS were also present.

Agenda Review and Approval: The agenda was reviewed. Agenda items added were Kim Stice from the National Head Start Family Literacy Center and information from DC. Dorothy moved to approve the agenda with the additions and Hilda seconded. Motion passed.

Approval of the Minutes of November 9, 2006: The minutes of November 9, 2006 were reviewed. Joyce moved to approve the minutes and Dorothy seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Joyce reviewed the Check Register, Revenue Report, and Expense Report and the Three dollar per child campaign. Danny moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and Dorothy seconded. Motion passed.

Membership Report: Kathryn Helsel reported that there were no changes since last month's report.

Attendance Record: Kathryn provided the Board with a copy of the most recent attendance report as FYI.

MOA with NIEA: Theo has not received the copy of the signed MOA yet and will call NIEA to inquire.

Report on Region 1, 6, 9, 10 Members:

- Region 1 – Rick Getchel is considering coming back to the Board and would only be able to attend the teleconference meetings due to budget restrictions.
- Region 6 – Elections are pending. MCS is facilitating the election.
- Region 9 – Kathryn has left messages for possible candidates and is waiting to hear back.
- Region 10 – Christina Keenan and Ralph Booth were elected.

Committee Reports:

- Budget, Finance, Development Committee report was given by Joyce. The committee discussed the need to generate revenue and prepared for the Board Meeting the information that was presented during the Treasurer's Report. The committee is reviewing policies for purchase of services/contract fund development plan.
- Education, Information, Conference Committee report was given by Theo. Conference planning will go into high gear in January. Kathryn and Theo will work on securing the Heritage Center next week.
- Membership committee report was given by Mavany. Two new members have been appointed to the committee. The committee is looking at changing the meeting dates and will be looking at the benefits of Associate Members.
- By-Laws Committee Report was given by Ann. The committee meeting had to be rescheduled. Nothing new to report.
- Executive Committee – Theo reported that the Executive Committee met and approved the '07 MCS Work Plan, updated the Executive Committee Action Plan and appointed two Board Members to committees.

NCAI Priority Areas: Top priorities include: supporting the federal administrative structure, pre-K initiatives, 130% poverty guidelines, unfunded requirements, 13% set-aside/AIAN share of the set-aside, and culturally appropriate research.

Agenda Items for February 23-24, 2007 Meeting: Committee Work will be added to the agenda. Board members should contact Kathryn with additional agenda items.

Attendance of Board Members at Meetings: Theo asked who will be attending the February 23-24, 2007, meeting in Mesa, AZ?

Georgy Sparks Standing Meetings: The standing meeting day and times may impact the Board Meeting schedule. This will be added to the February agenda to discuss the possible need to change the Board Meeting day or time.

Legislative Update: Congress will take up Head Start after No Child Left Behind. Projected time frame is early spring. Greg will be working with committees during January and February.

Conference Update: Kathryn reported that RFP's have been sent to four locations in Portland for the '08 Conference. The '07 conference work will be a January priority.

Kim Stice-National Head Start Family Literacy Center: Kim is seeking a NIHSDA Board Representative to serve on the Advisory Committee for the Literacy Center for an upcoming 2-day meeting in May. Board members should contact Kathryn by January 11, 2007, if interested.

Information from DC: 1) transportation deadlines extended to June 30th and 2) the \$5,000 threshold for equipment purchases is being increased to \$25,000. Watch for a PI changing it to \$25,000.

Caroline Alcaida Leaving: Caroline is leaving her position at Colorado River after many years of service. Hilda made a motion to purchase a gift for Caroline. Dorothy seconded. Motion passed.

With no further business, John made the motion to adjourn. Gil seconded. Motion passed.