

**NIHSDA
Board of Directors Meeting
December 10, 2009**

Call to Order: Danny Wells, President, called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m. PST.

Roll Call: Roll call was taken by the Treasurer, Mike Williamson (Secretary Jacki Haight came on call at 11:05am). A quorum of the Board of Directors was established.

PRESENT	NOTIFIED	NOT NOTIFIED
President – Danny Wells Pres-Elect – Gil Gonzales Treasurer-Mike Williamson Secretary – Jacki Haight Region 1 – Frances Maney - Ann Belleau, Alt. Region 2 – John Pavek Region 4 –Misty Horne -Colette Berg, Alt. Region 5 – Myrna Dingman - Steve Honeyestewa, Alt. Region 6 – Pat Foster - Cheryl Encinas, Alt Region 7 – Gayle Johnson Region 8 – Vikki Bishop - Viola Wood, Alt. Region 9 – Laura Waukechon Region 10 – Albert Rinehart Amb to Canada- Mavany Verdugo	Region 3 – Hilda Marshall, Alt. Region 10-Malinda Besett, Alt	Region 3 – Sara Young Bird Region 7 - Christi Jacobus, Alt Region 9 – Lisa Horn, Alt.

Others Present: Kathryn Helsel from the MCS was present. Nancy Schwachter and Rhonda Kindred from ICF joined the call to update and answer questions board members might present.

Agenda Approval: The agenda was reviewed. Danny added the approval of Region 5 & 2 alternates and discussion regarding Centers of Excellence. Misty H. moved to accept the amended agenda, Myrna D. seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

ICF Conversation: Nancy Schwachter and Rhonda Kindred gave an update on ICF. The following was shared:

- ICF has added additional staff- Patty Greenstein, Early Literacy Specialist; Manisha Tare, EHS Lead. No Fiscal Specialist Expert hired as of yet. OHS approves all employees that ICF proposes to hire.
- CLASS - 21/2 day reliability training for coordinators is being made available; also developing a CLASS train the trainer’s session so will be able to reach broader numbers. It was shared that 2010 Monitoring Reviews will include a 1-page CLASS report for the grantees. This will give the opportunity for ICF (T/TA) to come in and provide support.
- ICF is working with AI/ANPB in developing *New Director’s Institute* in Washington, D.C. to be held 2/23-26/2010 (31/2 days) Follow-up will include

webinars and live meetings. A 101 curriculum will be used that allows for an extended learning plan for each new director. Directors or managers with two years or less of experience on the job will be invited. Individual programs will need to pay for all travel and lodging costs. The desired outcome for this institute is to promote sustainability and reduce turn over.

Nancy stated that collaboration is the key to success for ICF. They need to have an open dialogue to assure quality of T/TA services through the GPSS system.

John P. asked ICF if they will focus on internal/external market and public relations training for Head Start/Early Head Start grantees. Nancy responded that the 101 curriculum includes this approach. Other requests were for grant writing and foundation writing skill development.

Other concerns expressed from the board members involved the GPSS assignments in Regions and the effectiveness of these individuals. Nancy & Rhonda responded that they want programs to contact them directly with concerns or issues regarding the GPSS.

Approval of the Minutes of the November 12, 2009 meeting: The minutes were read and examined for corrections. Gil G. moved to approve the minutes, Pat F. seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Mike reviewed the Check Register, Expense Report and Revenue Report. John P. moved to accept the treasurer's report and Albert R. seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Membership Report: Kathryn gave an overview of the Regional Membership Report. Sisseton-Wahpeton from Region 3 joined as a new member. Phone calls are still necessary.

\$3 Per Child Campaign and Regional \$2,000 Commitment: Donations collected include: Region 3- Yankton-Sioux; Region 5- San Felipe; Region 7- Washoe/ Smith River; Region 8- Grand Ronde

Attendance Record: According to the bylaws, 5 absences in a 12 month period or 3 absent not notified in a row are grounds for termination. The Executive Committee needs to contact members in a timely manner when this occurs.

Old Business:

Carry Over Balance for One-Time Supplements: Kathryn received notice from Nina McFadden that these will be allowed. Procedure is to contact Nina McFadden and David Kadan with request. Also re-budgeting of one-time supplements needs permission (as outlined above). Board all agreed that this information should be disseminated to the NIHSDA listserv by 12/11/09.

Request for QIP List: Kathryn reported that the Boards request to know how many AI/ANPB grantees are on a QIP has had no response. The request was sent to Renee Perthuis with a cc: to Ann Linehan.

New Business: Results of Listening Session on Dec 8: Nina McFadden and Kathryn Helsel facilitated the conversation. The call was well planned and organized lasting three hours. Ample time was given for programs to voice concerns. Two clear common concerns were- Composition of Governing Body and 50% of teachers with BA by 2013.

Yvette to San Diego: Yvette Fuentes, Director of OHS, will attend the NIHSDA Conference in June.

Agenda for Face to Face in February: Dates for this meeting are 2/26-27/2010 at the Wild Horse Pass Hotel in Chandler, AZ where the NACFC is being held 2/28-3/4/2010. The agenda for this face to face will focus framing the 2010 conference.

Region 5 elections: Myrna Dingman introduced Steve Honeyestewa, Santo Domingo, as the proposed Region 5 Alternate. Steve shared information about himself with the Board. John P. made a motion to accept Steve H. as Region 5 Alternate; Gayle J. seconded and all approved. His term is for 2 years, until October 2012.

Region 6 Alternate: Pat Foster informed the Board that Cheryl Encinas, director of Pascua Yaqui, had been elected to serve as the alternate for Region 6. A motion was made, seconded and passed seating Cheryl as the alternate. Cheryl's term will be for 1 year until October 2010.

Region 2 Alternate: John P. will put forth Lee Turney as the Region 2 Alternate at the next Board meeting for approval.

Other New Business:

A brief discussion occurred regarding the planned *New Director's Institute* in February. Gil G. proposed that the Board write a letter to ICF encouraging them to use the funds designated for this activity to train GPSS staff. Pat F. seconded this and all approved.

Centers of Excellence-Nina McFadden sent a letter to all Tribal Programs encouraging them to send in letters of interest to be considered for the opportunity to compete for a center of excellence grant. - due by 12/18/2009.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 12:47 PST. John P. moved to adjourn the meeting and Cheryl E. seconded. The motion carried.