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OF STATE HUMAN SERVICES FINANCE OFFICERS

-IN THE MATTER OF THE PROCEEDINGS
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JEFF REYNOLDS, LA  
Treasurer  
JERRY BERRY, AR  
Historian  

ALSO PRESENT:  
A QUORUM OF MEMBERS
THURSDAY, AUGUST 2, 2007, SPARKS, NEVADA, 3:08 P.M.

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THE PRESIDENT: All right. We'll call to order, and I'll ask Rick Brennan, Secretary, to do roll call and declare a quorum, if appropriate.

MR. BRENNAN: Can everybody hear me from here?

As I call the agency, would you please respond by stating the agency, followed by your name, please.

Alaska Department of Health and Social Services.

MS. BAKER: Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Laura Baker.

MR. BRENNAN: Alabama Department of Public Health?

(No response)

MR. BRENNAN: Alabama Medicaid Agency.


MR. BRENNAN: Arkansas Department of Human Services.

MR. BERRY: Arkansas Department of Human Services, Jerry Berry.

MR. BRENNAN: Arizona Department of Economic Security.


MR. BRENNAN: Colorado Department of Human Services?

MS. DUNCAN: Colorado Department of Human Services, Cheryl Duncan.

MR. BRENNAN: Delaware Department of Children, Youth and
1 Families?
2 MR. ROBERTS: Delaware Department of Children, Youth and Families, Harry Roberts.
3 MR. BRENNAN: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare?
5 MR. BRENNAN: Indiana Department of Child Services?
6 (No response)
7 MR. BRENNAN: Kansas Health Policy Authority?
8 MR. JANTZEN: Kansas Health Policy Authority, Boyd Jantzen.
9 MR. BRENNAN: Kentucky Cabinet For Children and Families?
10 (No response)
11 MR. BRENNAN: Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals?
12 MR. REYNOLDS: Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, Jeff Reynolds.
13 MR. BRENNAN: Louisiana Department of Social Services.
14 MS. ROBINSON: Louisiana Department of Social Services Linda Robinson.
15 MR. BRENNAN: Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.
16 MR. FITZER: Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Hank Fitzer.
MR. BRENNAN: Maryland Department of Human Resources.

MS. TOMSIC: Maryland Department of Human Resources, Trinity Tomsic.

MR. BRENNAN: Minnesota Department of Human Services.

MS. AUSTIN: Minnesota Department of Human Services, Kim Austin.

MR. BRENNAN: Minnesota Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department?

(No response)

MR. BRENNAN: Mississippi Department of Medicaid?

(No response)

MR. BRENNAN: Missouri Department of Social Services?

MR. BACKES: Missouri Department of Social Services, Roger Backes.

MR. BRENNAN: Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services.

MS. LAMSON: Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services, Laurie Lamson.

MR. BRENNAN: North Carolina Office of State Budget and Management.

MS. BARSNESS: North Carolina Office of State Budget and Management, Kari Barsness.

MR. BRENNAN: North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services.

MR. GUFFEY: North Carolina Department of Health and
Human Services, Allyn Guffey.

MR. BRENNAN: North Dakota Department of Human Services.

MS. WEISZ: North Dakota Department of Human Services, Brenda Weisz.

MR. BRENNAN: New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services?


MR. BRENNAN: New Mexico Department of Human Services.

MR. SANCHEZ: New Mexico Department of Human Services, Jason Sanchez.

MR. BRENNAN: Nevada Department of Human Resources.

MR. TORVINEN: Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Mike Torvinen.

MR. BRENNAN: You are not on the list.

Nevada Washoe County Social Services?

(No response)

MR. BRENNAN: Ohio Department of Aging?

(No response)

MR. BRENNAN: Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services.

THE PRESIDENT: Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services, Mary Fernald.

MR. BRENNAN: Oklahoma Department of Human Services.

MR. KETTNER: Oklahoma Department of Human Services,
Stuart Kettner.

MR. BRENNAN: Oklahoma Health Care Authority.

MR. McCANN: Oklahoma Health Care Authority, Juarez McCann.

MR. BRENNAN: Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services.

MS. LANGE: Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, Melissa Lange.

MR. BRENNAN: Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare.

MR. WEAVER: Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare, Gary Weaver.

MR. BRENNAN: South Dakota Department of Human Services.

MR. HANSON: South Dakota Department of Human Services, John Hanson.

MR. BRENNAN: South Dakota Department of Social Services.

MS. SCHAEFFER: South Dakota Department of Social Services, Laura Schaeffer.

MR. BRENNAN: Tennessee Department of Human Services.

MS. COOKSEY: Tennessee Department of Human Services, Ruth Cooksey.

MR. BRENNAN: Utah Department of Health.

MR. RONER: Utah Department of Health, Kent Roner.

MR. BRENNAN: Utah Department of Human Services.

MS. EVANS: Utah Department of Human Services, Jennifer
MR. BRENNAN: Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services.

MS. VANDEGRIFT: Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services, Seta Vandegrift.

MR. BRENNAN: Virginia Department of Social Services.

(No response)

MR. BRENNAN: Vermont Agency For Human Services.

(No response)

MR. BRENNAN: Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services.

MR. WAMKE: Wisconsin Health and Family Services, Don Wamke.

MR. BRENNAN: Washington Department of Social and Health Services.

(No response)

MR. BRENNAN: West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources.

MR. ROBINSON: West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Doug Robinson.

MR. BRENNAN: Madam President, we have a quorum.

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you. Could you please clarify as to whether Mike Torvinen, Nevada, has been recognized?

MR. BRENNAN: Yes, he has.

THE PRESIDENT: And we do have a quorum. Thank you.
I would like a motion to adopt the agenda, and does every one have an agenda in front of them? If I could have --

MR. HUMISTON: Madam President, I move that we adopt the agenda. Richard Humiston, Idaho Department of Health and Welfare.

MR. ROBINSON: Second, Doug Robinson, West Virginia.

THE PRESIDENT: Those in favor, say aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Opposed?

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: With that, I would like to ask the secretary, Rick Brennan, to read the minutes.

MR. BRENNAN: Madam President, the minutes for the 59th Annual Business meeting held in Nashville, Tennessee, have been posted on the website. No comments or corrections have been received.

The minutes for the planning meetings held in December and in May have also been posted on the website, comments received, corrections made.

I move that the reading of the minutes be waived and that they be accepted.

MR. ROBINSON: I move for Rick, as a voting member, for acceptance of his report.

THE PRESIDENT: All right. We have a motion to accept the Secretary's report, and that is Doug Robinson of West Virginia.
MS. WEISZ: Second, Brenda Weisz from North Dakota.

THE PRESIDENT: We have a first and a second to accept the secretary's report.

Those in favor, say aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed?

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: All right.

MR. BILLERA: Declare the motion, say that it passed.

THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed.

And Historian report, please.

MR. BERRY: Thank you, Madam President.

The National Association of State Human Services Finance Officers, HSFO, held its 59th Annual Conference and Business Meeting in Nashville, Tennessee, from July 30th to August the 4th, 2006, with President Jim Fredyma of New Hampshire presiding.

Location for the conference, president's reception, banquet, and business meetings was Embassy Suites, Cool Springs Hotel, in Franklin, Tennessee.

The conference was hosted by Mr. Jeff Roberts of Tennessee. 314 attendees consisted of 113 -- Madam President, there's an error right there. I should have added Mr. Bob Bumbalough also to that. I'll correct that.

The 314 attendees consisted of 113 member registrants, 25 corporate sponsor staff, 42 nonmember registrants, 23 speakers,
seven staff members from the state of Tennessee, 72 guests and 32 youth.

President's reception was held on July the 30th, 2006. The conference special event on August the 1st, 2006, began with a luncheon cruise on the General Jackson Showboat and culminated with the "Tuesday Night at the Opera" presented by the Grand Old Opera. The closing banquet was held on August 3rd, 2006. All events were reported to have been well received and thoroughly enjoyed by the conference participants.

The 59th Annual Conference theme was "Finding Strength in Challenging Times," and it included several sessions covering perspectives from Washington, some of the major challenges facing the states, numerous sessions covering current issues of the Medicaid program and children's services.

The conference program received very positive evaluations from participants. As a major milestone, this was the inaugural event for HSFO to issue continuing professional education, CPE, credits under direct certification of the National Association of the State Boards of Accountancy, NASBO. Overall, the 59th annual conference was a tremendous success.

Since the conclusion of the annual conference, HSFO has held seven national training sessions.

The training sessions held were:

Child Welfare Fundamentals was held September 25th through the 27th of 2006, at the Charleston Mariott Town Center in
Charleston, West Virginia. Training was hosted by Mr. Rick Brennan and conducted by Maximus, Incorporated.

Cost Allocation was held September 25th through 27th, 2006, at the Radisson Center in Manchester, New Hampshire. The training was hosted by Frank Danieli and conducted by Public Consulting.

Medicaid I was held October 2nd through the 4th, 2006, at the Sheraton Baltimore North Hotel in Baltimore, Maryland. Training was hosted by Mr. Hank Fitzer and conducted by Public Consulting Group.

Evaluations for all sessions were such very positive in terms in substance, quality and experience. CPE certificates have been issued for all attendees.

December 15th through December the 17th, first Child Welfare Services III training was held in New Orleans, Louisiana. There were 36 registered trainees at this event from 17 states.

March the 9th through March the 11th, 2007, Cost Allocation training was held in Raleigh, North Carolina. There were 26 registered trainees at this event from 11 states, including one employee of the federal government.

April 30th through May the 2nd, inaugural TANF/Day Care/Food Stamps training was held in Salt Lake City, Utah. There were 37 resident trainees at this training from 13 states.

Cost Allocation training was presented in Boise, Idaho,
on May 18th through May the 21st. There were 36 registered
trainings from 12 states.

   The HSFO fall training meeting was held in New Orleans,
Louisiana, December 9th through the 13th, 2006, with president
Mary Fernald of Ohio -- speak up -- of Ohio presiding. The
planning meeting was held at the Omni Royal Orleans Hotel and was
jointly hosted by Mr. Stan Mead and -- I'll come back and fill
that in, in a second.

   There were 63 attendees including -- there were 63
attendees, including our members who attended the training
session.

   In addition to Mr. Stan Mead, Jeff Reynolds of the state
of Louisiana hosted this training, Child Welfare Services.

   The highlight event to many was the wonderful afternoon
at the New Orleans School of Cooking. Presiding over the School
of Cooking was the taxidermist. Detail discussions and planning
of the fall meeting concentrated around the spring meeting to be
held in Juneau, Alaska, and the upcoming summer in Reno, Nevada.

   Primary agenda items and topic of discussions were
Medicare changes, Child Welfare and recent TANF discussions.

   The spring planning meeting, May 6th through the 9th,
was presided over by President Fernald of Ohio at the Prospector
Hotel in Juneau, Alaska. The meeting was jointly hosted by
Ms. Laura Baker and Ms. Nancy Burns of Juneau, Alaska. Based on
the roll call of members, 10 of the voting board members were
present, three had sent proxy, and two were not represented. In attendance were 25 members, 21 guests, six volunteers and four corporate sponsors.

Primary administrative issues that were addressed was the resignation of Vaughn Emett of Utah, who has accepted a position with a nonmember agency. President Fernald asked Deena Brown, Oklahoma, to assume this role, and Ms. Brown accepted.

Significant time was spent in detailed discussion of the Federal Issues Report as presented by Simone Roy of New Hampshire as chairman, committee chairman, and included significant input from Doug Robinson of West Virginia and Debbie Loper of Louisiana. Additional discussions were led by President Harry Roberts, former President Harry Roberts of Delaware, and Richard Billera of New York.

Primary items of discussion included: IV-E Administrative Cost Reviews, the reopening of Cost Allocation Plans, public provider definitions and payments, the State False Claims Act and recent Department Appeals Board.

Madam President, I would like to come back to this report. I would like to stop right there. I've got the wrong page. I didn't pick up my other page. Can I stop right there? Can I accept this right there?

MR. BILLERA: You can stop accepting and you have the option to amend it at a later time before the meeting is over.

THE PRESIDENT: So we will return to the historian
report in a few moments.

MR. BERRY: In just a second.

THE PRESIDENT: In just a second. All right. It's worth waiting for.

MR. BERRY: Go ahead.

THE PRESIDENT: Okay. We're going to go ahead with the treasurer report and then return to historian, and if you have any amendments, keep -- jot those down so you don't forget them. And we'll come back to that. So if we could have the treasurer's report.

MR. REYNOLDS: Thank you, Madam President.

I handed out to everybody a copy of the organization's balance sheets and income statements, if you want to pull that out as I run through it real quick, I'll go ahead.

And these statements are the organization's -- fiscal year is from December 1st through November 30th, so these are the period, the period these statements cover is from December 1st, 2006, to today, or through July 23rd, 2007, right before we came to the meetings here.

I'll go ahead and start with the income statement. The administrative income for the organization for this time period is 85,574.32, the planning meeting income is 24,560.20. There's a typo there, should not be the 2008 conference income, it should be the 2007 conference income. Those are the funds that the central bank account has received for this meeting here. And that's
$32,325, and the training income is $62,050.40 for all of the other training we have conducted during this time period. Total income is $204,509.92.

Moving down to the expenses, planning meeting expenses for the two that we have held is 39,278.27; training expenses is 49,475.96; admin expenses is 26,258.53; total expenses of $115,012.76; giving us a net income for this time period of $89,497.16.

Moving on to the back of the sheet, we get to the balance sheet. And there's a comparison between where we were at the end of the last fiscal year and where we're at as of July 23rd. Our current assets, our total assets is $367,410.76. For, as of July 23rd. Our total -- no liabilities for this time period. And then our equity of 367,410.76, giving us a total of -- giving us that.

So those are the figures for this time period. And I move for acceptance of my report.

MS. BROWN: Second. Oh, I can't. Sorry.

THE PRESIDENT: Jeff Reynolds --

MR. REYNOLDS: Oh, Jeff Reynolds of Louisiana, move for acceptance.

THE PRESIDENT: -- has moved for acceptance. Do we have a second?

MR. BERRY: Jerry Berry, I move to second.

MS. ROBINSON: I'll second it. Linda Robinson.
THE PRESIDENT: We have a second, Jerry Berry of Arkansas. Discussion?

Doug --

MR. ROBINSON: Madam President, Doug Robinson of West Virginia.

Jeff, just a point of clarification for my own self, if nothing else, on the 2007's conference income, is that over and above, is that funds turned over and above any advancements that may have been given to Tennessee, is it actually income?

MR. REYNOLDS: Well, that's related to the Nevada -- Nevada conference.

MR. ROBINSON: That's not Nashville?

MR. REYNOLDS: Yeah, the Nashville was all captured in last --

MR. ROBINSON: This is 2007?

MR. REYNOLDS: Yes, it is. The Nashville stuff was all captured in last fiscal year's statements, and it would be, you know, reflected down there in our total equity now. But --

MR. ROBINSON: I'm confused. Well, I'm dehydrated. I'm confused.

MR. REYNOLDS: That figure interprets the income related to this conference that we're currently at, that was received in the central account and not received by Nevada.

MR. ROBINSON: Thank you.

MR. REYNOLDS: Yes.
THE PRESIDENT: Kent?

MR. RONER: How old is the accounts receivable, the $750?

MR. REYNOLDS: I would like to have some input from our contractor on that question.

MR. MARTIN: I believe they are 18 months old. It is one federal participant conference registration, and one guest registration.

THE PRESIDENT: Ted Martin is the contractor.

MR. ROBINSON: Doug Robinson, West Virginia.

Do we have any kind of policy or protocol for ever removing an accounts receivable that is deemed uncollectible?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It's called the black line.

MR. ROBINSON: Is there a point to mark it out?

MR. MARTIN: As a point of interest -- Ted Martin, accountant. I was going to go to the board with that at our next business meeting. I think that last year we decided we, you know, we made three or four efforts to collect these, this revenue; it didn't happen, so I was going to recommend to the board that we wipe it out at the end of this fiscal year.

MR. ROBINSON: All right. I'll remove my question for discussion and suggest it go just to the board at the next planning meeting for discussion.

THE PRESIDENT: Allyn, did you --

GUFFEY: Allyn Guffey, North Carolina.
Can you help me understand what a current asset account called Credit Card is?

MR. REYNOLDS: We are receiving Credit Card revenue on the website and that's the revenue we are receiving from that. Is there not? Ted?

MR. MARTIN: I didn't hear the question.

MR. REYNOLDS: Explain the Credit Card account under the current assets field there of $10,000.

MR. MARTIN: Okay. The revenue that I recognized in the income statement is only revenue, is only considered revenue after I receive a check from the credit card account. That balance that you are looking at of 10,000, which I believe is the question, that represents the balance in that account as of the last report that I received from the credit card -- you know, from Richard, who controls that account.

THE PRESIDENT: Juarez?

MR. McCANN: Juarez McCann, Oklahoma.

Jeff, what are the, under admin expenses, the other admin costs that are added up, what type of admin costs are those?

MR. REYNOLDS: The majority of those is going to be board-approved travel, whenever the board takes -- basically comps the travel of a member or a regional director to come to the meetings, whether it's airline tickets, hotel or registration, that would be that type of cost.

There is also in there, you can have plaques for
individuals retiring, you are going to have the notary -- the 
notary expense when we change over the accounts, there's some 
miscellaneous stuff in there, but the bulk of it is going to be 
what the board had approved to basically comp travel for certain 
individuals to come to the meeting, and that's all done in 
accordance with that policy or the bylaws that we recommended at 
the last planning meeting.

THE PRESIDENT: Policy, guideline.

MR. REYNOLDS: Yeah, so that's what the bulk of it is.

THE PRESIDENT: Other discussion?

Do I have a second?

MR. MEAD: It's already seconded.

THE PRESIDENT: Oh, Jerry Berry.

Those in favor of accepting Jeff's report say aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign?

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: With that, we'll return to the historian 
report.

MR. BERRY: Okay. With this return, first off, let me 
apologize to you all. I changed this yesterday, and put the wrong 
sheet in the packet. Senile dementia.

I want to amend, if I may, the HSFO fall planning 
meeting section and add the following:

During this meeting, it was explained that Ms. Suzy
Bollinger of Ohio resigned her position as Vice-President to take a position outside state government. By a consensus vote of the nominating committee and the board, Mr. Dick Humiston, Idaho, was moved from Historian to Vice-President, thereby leaving the position of Historian vacant.

Mr. Jerry Berry, At Large Regional Director I, was nominated and voted into the position of Historian by the board, at which time Mr. Berry resigned his position of At Large Director. The nominating committee recommended Mr. Terry Bryant, Alabama, for this position. Mr. Bryant accepted the position.

Now, I want to move to the last concluding paragraph, please.

The group enjoyed the tram ride up Mt. Roberts while experiencing what some of us thought to be a significant snowstorm in Juneau, Alaska; the President's reception dinner at the Than Ore House, O-r-e House, sponsored by PCG. The trip to Mendenhall Glacier was a day of history for most of us. Sequoia, Maximus and HMS cosponsored a boat cruise up Lynn Canal to view the local landscapes, active sea lions, eagles and humpback whale activity.

Madam President, that concludes my amended historian report and I move acceptance as read.

THE PRESIDENT: Do we have a second?

MR. ROBINSON: Move for acceptance. Doug Robinson, I second it.

THE PRESIDENT: Second, Doug Robinson, West Virginia.
Discussion?

Those in favor of accepting the historian report, indicate by saying aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign?

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed.

The next category, we would like to have reports from the standing committees. Before we start that, I would just like to thank each chair for the tremendous amount of work that was done in preparation for the conference that we've had this week. I really appreciate every one's contribution.

And with that, we'll start with Mike Torvinen, arrangements.

MR. TORVINEN: Here we're having the meeting in Sparks. It has gone very well, by the way, and I would like to report that we have 254 registered attendees, which I believe is somewhere around 60 more than last year; 79 guest attendees, and 38 children or kids, attendees, for a total of 371 people.

And it's -- I'm not sure what additional information you need, Madam President, but it's all been going well, we're happy you are here and thank you.

I move for acceptance.

MS. BAKER: I'll second. Laura Baker from Alaska.

Oh, I have to move it first.
THE PRESIDENT: Yeah, he moved it. And we have a second from Laura Baker, Alaska.

Discussion?

Those in favor, indicate by saying aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign.

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: Pass the motion. Motion passed.

MR. ROBINSON: For Nevada, yea. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed.

Programs, Stuart Kettner.

MR. KETTNER: Madam President, Members of the Board, the 2007 Program Committee has now completed its program for this year's conference. The 2007 theme was "Sparking New Ideas and Mining Solutions" and provided 18 presentations on a wide variety of human service programs.

The feedback received has been very positive. The evaluation forms have been collected and will be summarized by the Program Committee. We also have counts for attendance in each session. We'll prepare reports containing this information for the Board and any interested parties on how each session was ranked and attended. We'll also include comments for each session. I will forward this information to the next Program Chairperson.

I move for acceptance of my report.
THE PRESIDENT: Thank you.

Do we have a second?


THE PRESIDENT: Discussion?

Those in favor of accepting the report indicate by saying aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign.

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed.

And audit report, Laketha Miller.

MS. MILLER: HSFO internal audit report summary for the period December 21st, 2005, to November 30th, 2006. An internal review of the financial records for the HSFO central account for the Charlotte, North Carolina, planning meeting; the Bismarck, North Dakota, planning meeting; and the Nashville, Tennessee, Annual Conference was conducted for the period December 21st, 2005, through November 30, 2006. The review consisted of reviewing and verifying financial records and transactions.

After review, it has been determined that HSFO has satisfactory financial internal controls and the review supports existence and utilization of these controls.

In conclusion, a management report indicating items noted and recommendations was presented to the Executive Board for
their review and future considerations.

I move for acceptance of this report.

THE PRESIDENT: Do I hear a second?


THE PRESIDENT: You probably have that name by now.

Discussion?

Stan.

MR. MEAD: I bring this up but, did the voting member move the report?

MR. BILLERA: What's the point?

THE PRESIDENT: Are you the representative for your agency membership?

MS. MILLER: No.

THE PRESIDENT: Who is?

MS. MILLER: Allyn is.

THE PRESIDENT: Okay. We need a motion from the agency membership representative. Any agency representative.

MR. BILLERA: Anybody.

MR. BERRY: I'm Jerry Berry --

MR. TORVINEN: I'm Mike Torvinen of Nevada. I move for acceptance of the audit report.

THE PRESIDENT: Mike Torvinen moves for acceptance. And we need a second.

MR. BRYANT: Terry Bryant, Alabama.

THE PRESIDENT: Those in favor say aye?
(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign?

(No response.)

THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed. Thank you.

MS. MILLER: Explain that to me, why I couldn't move my report.

THE PRESIDENT: There's one vote per agency membership and if -- are you both in the same agency?

MS. MILLER: Right.

THE PRESIDENT: So one of you can vote, or move -- make a motion.

MS. MILLER: Oh. Okay.

THE PRESIDENT: And different from the planning meeting.

MS. MILLER: Okay. I'm just following suit with everybody else. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you for asking.

Okay. Membership.

MS. BROWN: Madam President, Members of the Board, as of July 27th we've had 65 paid member agencies. Included in the number are 55 agencies continuing membership from 2006. We have five new members and five members returning after a period of absence.

The five new members are Indiana Department of Child Services, Kansas Health Policy Authority, North Carolina Office of State Budget and Management, South Dakota Department of Human
Services, and Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services.

The five returning members are American Samoa Department of Health and Human Services, Connecticut Mental Health and Addiction Services, Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Utah Department of Workforce Services, and Washington Department of Social and Health Services.

We had 11 members from 2006 that did not renew this year. They are California, Los Angeles County; California, Kern County Department of Human Services; Iowa Department of Human Services; Illinois Department of Human Services; Indiana Family and Social Services Administration; Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitative Services; New York City Human Resources Administration; New York Department of Health; Rhode Island Department of Human Services; Texas Health and Human Services Commission; and Virginia Fairfax County Family Services.

This concludes my report. And I can't --

MS. WEISZ: I move to accept.

THE PRESIDENT: We have a motion to accept the report.

MS. WEISZ: Brenda Weisz.

MR. KETTNER: I second.

THE PRESIDENT: Brenda Weisz moved for adoption. Stuart Kettner, Oklahoma, seconded it.

Discussion?

Those in favor indicate by saying aye.
(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign.

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed. Thank you.

Going forward, let's have the people who are reporting come up to the podium so we can be sure everyone is hearing.

And Sponsor Development, Brenda Weisz.

MS. WEISZ: Madam Chairman, Members of the Board, this year we had 11 corporate sponsors, and they were, or are, Clifton Gunderson, Sequoia, our new corporate sponsor Disability Associates of America, eFunds Government Solutions, UMASS Medical School, Maximus, JP Morgan, ACS Government Solutions, Public Consulting Group -- or PCG -- IV-A, Incorporated, Amerigroup Corporation.

They all were represented in the conference. All but two had booths in the corporate sponsor room. And there were two corporate sponsors from the past that we heard from that at this point HSFO is outside of their focus, and that was FileNet and Tier Technologies.

Madam President, that concludes my report. I move acceptance.

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you. Do we have a second?


THE PRESIDENT: Discussion?

Those in favor, indicate by saying aye.
(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign.

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed.

Doug, bylaws.

MR. ROBINSON: Thank you, Madam President.

Madam President, Board of Directors and Audience, on November 17th, 2006, a special HSFO email was sent to the membership requesting any proposals for changes to the association bylaws. Another email was sent to the membership in early June requesting any changes to the association bylaws. No proposals were received as a result of either email.

However, I have received one proposed amendment from Stan Mead, Past President from Louisiana, to amend Article VI, Board of Directors, by adding a new section with language that defines a quorum for the transaction of business.

This change would apply to meetings other than the Annual Meeting.

The draft language for this proposed amendment was posted on the Association's website on July 2nd, 2007. This posting satisfies the time frame for the posting, for posting proposed amendments at least 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting as required by Article XI of the association bylaws.

Each voting member should have a copy of the proposed change dated August 2nd, 2007, in front of them. If not, I have
extra -- additional copies to hand out.

At this time, Madam President, I would direct your attention to the handout with the proposed language that would amend Article VI, Board of Directors, by adding a new section to read, "Section 3, eight voting members of the Board of Directors must be present, either in person or by proxy, which is registered with the secretary, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business."

As bylaws chairman, I recommend the acceptance of this change to the bylaws. According to Article XI of our bylaws, this change will require a two-thirds majority of the votes cast to make the amendment.

Madam President, this concludes my report. And I move for acceptance of this report.

THE PRESIDENT: Okay. May we have a motion to accept the report?

Ms. ROBINSON: Linda Robinson, Louisiana. I move to accept -- second it.

THE PRESIDENT: You are seconding. So we have a motion to accept the report.

MR. ROBINSON: Yes.

THE PRESIDENT: And I'm going ask you to vote on that now and then we will request a motion on the actual bylaw change itself.

So those in favor of accepting the report indicate by
saying aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: And those on opposed, same sign?

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: And with that, could we have -- do we have a motion?

MR. BILLERA: Declare for the record --

THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed. Thank you.

Do we have a motion to accept the change to the bylaws?

MR. MEAD: To amend the bylaws as proposed.

THE PRESIDENT: To amend the bylaws as proposed.

MR. SANCHEZ: So moved, Jason Sanchez.

THE PRESIDENT: We have a motion. Do we have a second?

MR. BRYANT: Terry Bryant, Alabama.

THE PRESIDENT: Discussion.

Doug, you are going to want to stay up here.

MR. GUFFEY: Allyn Guffey, from North Carolina.

Is this saying that eight Members of the Board of directors, would that be the eight districts, plus the two at large, we would have to have 80 percent of those in order to be able to constitute a quorum --

MR. MEAD: No --

MR. GUFFEY: What does it say?

MR. MEAD: Eight members of the board of directors, the board of directors, by the bylaws as defined as the five --
fifteen committee member --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: We can't hear.

MR. ROBINSON: Fifteen members, would be eight, it's a
simple majority, have to either be present or have a written proxy
to another member that's attending. And this is referring to the
planning meetings or any other meetings that may be called by the
president during the year other than the annual meeting. There
are 15, five executive board members, eight regional directors,
two at large regional directors.

Out of those 15 votes, to conduct business there must be
eight votes present, either physically or by written proxy,
registered with the secretary. And it constitutes a simple
majority of the board.

MR. GUFFEY: I understand that, but did something happen
in the last 12 months that created the need for this?

MR. ROBINSON: I think the need was precipitated by the
fact that there was concern that not enough representation would
be present to officially approve business. And I believe the
board decided, and I -- and Stan can speak to exactly why he
wanted it -- but I would think it would be so we could say and
have a quorum that would show that a majority of the board of
directors wanted this -- any action to happen at that meeting.

MR. MEAD: I would be happy to explain.

THE PRESIDENT: Stan Mead.

MR. MEAD: Stan Mead, Louisiana. I'm not a voting
member but I did propose the bylaw.

In reviewing the bylaws and certain other things we were doing, we were looking at the proposal for the --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: We can't hear.

MR. MEAD: Basically, this was to correct an oversight that has been at HSFO for years. And we were reviewing the bylaws and we were looking at how to define the perks for officers, past presidents, whatever.

We realized that Roberts Rules of Order require that to conduct business you must have a quorum in establishment. But we conduct business at our annual planning meetings, we vote on things. We vote on different things, how much it cost for the conference. Well, when we realized that, we've been doing this for years and we've really been out of compliance with Roberts Rules of Order which are our mandated bylaws.

So this is nothing but to clean up an error, that hasn't been there, it's just a procedural thing. The board of directors is defined in our bylaws as the five executive officers plus the 10 regional directors. This is nothing but a simple majority vote so that that board of directors during those business meetings can conduct and pass business on behalf of this organization.

Yes, Juarez.

MR. McCANN: Juarez McCann, Oklahoma.

If we have the eight voting members, do we have to have a proxy for those that are absent?
MR. MEAD: No, what this requires is that there be eight voters there. Any of those eight could be in proxy. For example, if you were -- I was a voting member and I was not going to be there, but you were, I could give my proxy to you and you could represent me. This is an individual proxy based on your defined organizational responsibilities.

THE PRESIDENT: Further discussion? Yes.


Have we ever conducted business and taken a vote with less than the simple majority?

MR. MEAD: We don't know. What we've certainly done is -- we've done it, but we've never documented that there was a quorum present.

This does nothing but validates what we have been doing for years, but we never recorded the fact that we had a quorum to conduct business, so we've actually been out of compliance with Roberts Rules of Order.

We just happened to notice it. I mean, I've been in this organization almost 30 years and I never thought about it until I actually was doing some review of some other bylaws.

Is that it, Madam President?

THE PRESIDENT: Allyn.

MR. MEAD: Allyn.

MR. GUFFEY: Since I raised this question, I just want to tell you I appreciate your response. I understand it now.
Thank you.

MR. MEAD: You are more than welcome, Mr. Guffey.

THE PRESIDENT: We have one -- Stan, don't go. Juarez.

MR. McCANN: Juarez McCann, Oklahoma.

Madam President, I have another question regarding bylaws. I don't know if I should wait, but it's not specific to this exchange.

MR. BILLERA: It's not specific?

THE PRESIDENT: If you could see me after, we'll -- I would like to know what your --

MR. BILLERA: He can do it after the motion is called.

THE PRESIDENT: Oh, all right.

MR. BILLERA: You've got a motion. The motion has been seconded and it's up to the Madam President, the next move.

THE PRESIDENT: Those in favor of accepting the bylaw amendment indicate by saying aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign.

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: I don't think there's any question we had a two-thirds, so motion passed.

All right. Juarez.

MR. McCANN: Madam President, I would like to, if I may, have a discussion regarding our bylaws changes.

I don't know if many people realize how our bylaws --
election of officers work, but in our bylaws it calls for our nominating committee, which is made up of our past presidents, to nominate a program director who then usually goes into historian role. Well, that's not in our bylaws, but that's usually what happens and then, in our bylaws we can vote on the historian person here at this meeting.

But, reality is, our nominating committee, basically puts together our board. Now, my -- that's how the bylaws are currently written.

I would like to present to the membership to review and study and perhaps change our bylaws. I don't think -- I know that the bylaws call for it to be put on the website for 30 days, but I don't think one person should be able to do that, I think -- something as big as this.

This board, this organization, I feel it's great. However, this membership makes this organization. And this membership should be electing this board, not a couple of people.

What I'm asking from this group is a motion and approval to review and look at our bylaws as far as nominating our board. Our board, we just nominate one person, historian, and then each of them move in succession. That's created problems in the past couple of years because we have had some people that assume the treasury position and could not basically do a financial, thereby us contracting our treasury -- treasurer report now.

I think that our position should be voted on by our
membership, since our membership makes this organization, and not
two or three people.

So what I'm asking from this group is not necessarily to
change the bylaws today, but to review the bylaws, and come up
with a plan that this organization tell this board and this group
to review our bylaws and come up with a better nominating way to
put our board together.

Questions?

THE PRESIDENT: Laura?

MS. BAKER: Madam President, I would like to just have a
slight rebuttal to part of the statement that Juarez McCann made.

My understanding is that the prior treasurer, Suzy
Bollinger, had been investigating having a contract accountant on
board for consistency of our familiar statements throughout the
transition from year to year of board members. It had nothing to
do with personalities, not being able to do financial statements.

So I take offense at that statement. I think it was a
good move by the board. You need consistency, and that's what
we've developed by having a contractor on board.

MR. McCANN: And that's fine. I guess my point was
because we have individuals that roll into these positions, they
may not be adequate enough perhaps to do the position when we have
membership people that maybe, you know, accountants that could be
the treasurer, or something like that. I was just using the
treasurer as an example. That's all that I'm saying. That was
done as an example.

But my point is, instead of just rolling the positions over year to year to year, that, I mean, we could come up with a plan where maybe the president serves two years, and they get staggered, because these guys serve five years on this board. So maybe, you know, we can come up with a plan where you have to be in an organization for a certain number of years, get elected to the board, got to serve in a position before you become president, anything.

I'm just making suggestions, but I don't think one person should try to change bylaws and bring it to the membership. I think that the membership, the board and the bylaws committee should work together to come up with a viable option instead of the way things are currently done.

Now, I'm bringing that up to the membership because it's the membership that make up this organization.

THE PRESIDENT: Doug.

MR. ROBINSON: Madam President, I would like to point out as part of my report as bylaws chairman, I solicited from the membership on two different occasions via mass email mailing to the membership for any suggested changes to the bylaws.

I respect what Mr. McCann Juarez is saying, and my opinion as the current bylaws chairman, the appropriate route to take would be to work with the next bylaws chair to formulate any of the suggested changes that could be posted on the website where
members will be informed of those changes and have the chance to
digest, and then if the changes are there, and, you know, part of
the next year's agenda, at that time at the annual business
meeting they could be discussed; but the position that I take as
bylaw chairman, there were no changes of this nature recommended.
So that is my suggestion as bylaws chairman, that they
be formulated and crafted in whatever manner deemed, and then they
would be considered by the next bylaws chair.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any other discussion on this
topic?

Stan.

MR. MEAD: I just want to clarify, I'm sure Juarez meant
to say this, but he possibly forgot.

THE PRESIDENT: Do you want to stand up?

MR. MEAD: Excuse me, yes.

The nominating committee is made up of the five members
also of the board of directors, I mean the executive committee,
and acting past presidents, so that's just what our bylaws say
right now.

And our bylaws say right now that, yes, they do, they
move up, the nominating chairperson asks each individual up there
would you like to move up. And they may not want to move up, and
that has happened in the past. Then the bylaws say you fill the
lowest level vacancy.

So I just want to clarify for everybody what the bylaws
actually said, not what Mr. McCann said they said. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: Any other discussion?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Call the question.

MR. BERRY: There's no motion on the board.

THE PRESIDENT: I think we are just having a discussion.

Thank you.

MR. BILLERA: There's no motion on the floor.

As part of the discussion, Madam President, it should be known to some of the new members that are here that there is an application process sent to the chair of the nominating committee, and that application blank and the process is available to anyone in the membership, and it is only those applications submitted to the membership chair that the board considers for nominating to the board.

Just a clarification, in order to clarify the fact that it is not a closed process but, in fact, the recruitment field is open to the entire membership.

THE PRESIDENT: Any other discussion? Comments?

Ruth.

MS. COOKSEY: Route Cooksey, Tennessee.

I think we have a mechanism in place for filing bylaw changes and I think that's the method that should be utilized until it's changed.

THE PRESIDENT: Any other discussion?

I'm going to move on to the next -- thank you for your
comments, Juarez.

MR. McCANN: Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: We'll move on to the next committee report resolutions.

MS. McDONALD: Good afternoon, Madam President and Members of the Board. I have seven resolutions.

Michelle McDonald, State of Maryland VHMH.

I'm going to read them and then make a motion.

THE PRESIDENT: So you are going to read them all at once and then break?

MS. McDONALD: Yes, read them all at once.

THE PRESIDENT: All right.


Expression of appreciation to the Program Committee:

Whereas, the responsibility of developing, coordinating and delivering a program that challenges, informs and stimulates the participants requires creativity, dedication, time, effort and commitment; and, whereas, Stuart Kettner, Program Chairperson, and the entire Program Committee have performed an outstanding -- in an outstanding manner in preparing the program for the 60th Annual Conference of the National Association of State Human Services Finance Officers so as to meet or exceed the expectations for that committee, now, therefore, it will be resolved that the National Association of Human Services Finance Officers expresses its
sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks to Stuart Kettner and
each member of the Program Committee for their effort in preparing
an outstanding program for the 2007 HSFO 60th Annual Conference.

Resolution 2007-02, expression of appreciation to the
arrangements committee:

Whereas, the logistical task of preparing requires a
significant effort and commitment; and whereas, Michael Torvinen
and Shawna DeRousse, Arrangements Co-chairs, and the entire
Arrangements Committee have performed in an outstanding manner in
hosting the 2007 National Association of State Human Services
Finance Officers Annual Conference, now, therefore, be it resolved
that the National Association of Human Service Finance Officers
expresses its sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks to Michael
and Shawna and each member of the Arrangements Committee for their
efforts in preparing for and hosting the 2007 HSFO 60th Annual
Conference.

Resolution number three has been misplaced. I'm sorry.

THE PRESIDENT: It's not being submitted.

MS. MCDONALD: It's not being submitted. So this is
2007-04.

Expression of appreciation and well wishes to Vaughan
Emett.

Whereas, Vaughn Emett has recently retired from the
State of Utah; and whereas, Vaughan's faithful service to Human
Services Finance Officers as chairperson for the Training
Committee has contributed greatly to the organization; whereas, Vaughn's service on the Program Committee for Human Services Financial Officers has also contributed greatly to the organization; now, therefore, be it resolved that the National Association of Human Services Financial Officers expresses its sincere appreciation to Vaughn Emett for his contributions and hard work with HSFO, and wishes him a very satisfying and rewarding retirement.

2007-5, expression of appreciation and well wishes for Frank Danieli:

Whereas, Frank Danieli has recently retired from the State of New Hampshire; and whereas, Frank's hard work and tireless effort in supporting the HSFO Program Committee has contributed greatly to the organization; and whereas, Frank's work as Regional Director for Region One supports every effort HSFO represents; now, therefore, be it resolved that the National Association of Human Services Finance Officers expresses its sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks to Frank for his hard work and commitment to HSFO and wishes him a very satisfying and rewarding retirement.

2007-06, expression of appreciation for hosting the HSFO 2006 fall planning and board meeting:

Whereas, the 2006 fall planning and board meeting was hosted by the State of Louisiana; and whereas, Jeff Reynolds, Stan Mead, and their staff did an outstanding job in preparing for and
hosting the HSFO 2006 fall planning meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana; now, therefore, be it resolved that the National Association of State Human Service Finance Officers expresses its sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks to Jeff Reynolds, Stan Mead and their staff for their efforts in hosting the 2006 fall HSFO planning and board meeting.

2007-7, expression of appreciation for hosting the HSFO 2007 spring planning and board meeting.

Whereas, the 2007 spring planning and board meeting was hosted by the State of Alaska; and whereas, Janet Clarke, Laura Baker and their staff did an outstanding job in preparing for and hosting HSFO's 2007 spring planning meeting in Juneau, Alaska; now, therefore, be it resolved that the National Association of State Human Service Finance Officers expresses its sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks to Janet and Laura and their staff for their efforts in hosting the 2007 HSFO spring planning and board meeting.

2007-8, expression of appreciation and well wishes for Ms. Suzy Bollinger:

Whereas, Suzy Bollinger has recently accepted a new position with the State of Ohio and whereas Suzy's hard work and tireless efforts in chairing the HSFO Program Committee has contributed greatly to the organization; and whereas Suzy served on the board as historian, treasurer and secretary for Human Services Finance Officers; now, therefore, be it resolved that the
National Association of State Human Services Financial Officers expresses its sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks to Suzy for her hard work and commitment to HSFO, and well wishes -- and wishes her all the best in her new position.

This is my report, Madam President.

THE PRESIDENT: Do you represent your agency?

MR. BERRY: I'm Jerry Berry from Arkansas. I move to accept the report.

THE PRESIDENT: Do we have a second?

MR. RONER: I second it, Kent Roner.

THE PRESIDENT: From Utah.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I didn't say anything.

THE PRESIDENT: We've had a first and a second. Do we have discussion?

Stan.

MR. MEAD: Just a point of clarification, I notice we mentioned the other members' multiple tasks, but in Vaughn's we mentioned the fact that he chaired the Training Committee. It should also be pointed out that Vaughan was Program Chair and Arrangements Chair, which are, in my opinion, just as important as Training Committee chair, so I would point that out to you.

MS. MCDONALD: I'll make the correction on that. Okay.

Okay. I did, Program Committee and Training Committee. Yeah, I didn't do Chair.

MR. MEAD: Program and arrangements.
MS. McDONALD: Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: So I believe we need a motion.

MR. BILLERA: Go ahead.

MS. BAKER: I'll make a motion to adopt Stan Mead's suggestions for modification on that resolution. Laura Baker, Alaska.

THE PRESIDENT: Do we have a second?

MR. RONER: I'll resecond it. Kent Roner from Utah.

MR. BILLERA: Madam President, the motion before the body is the acceptance of the report. So what they need to do is to provide assistance or guidance to amend the report. The resolutions are not yet on the floor.

MR. MEAD: That's correct. That's why I mentioned it here.

MR. BILLERA: So we've got a report, and you can accept it.

MS. BAKER: I make a motion to accept the resolutions report.

THE PRESIDENT: And we have a --

MR. RONER: I second that again. Utah.

MR. BILLERA: Call it?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes, exactly.

THE PRESIDENT: All right. Those in favor of accepting the report indicate by saying aye.

(Vote taken)
THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign.

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: Do we have a motion to amend the report?

MR. BILLERA: Did that one pass? The result? You've got to announce the result.

THE PRESIDENT: The motion passed.

MR. BILLERA: Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: I asked him to make sure I -- so do we have a motion?

MS. BAKER: I make --

THE PRESIDENT: -- to accept.

MS. BAKER: I make a motion to add to the resolution for Vaughn Emett, that -- his prior -- Arrangements, Program Committee, Participation, Chairs. Laura Baker, Alaska.

MR. MEAD: And move the resolution be adopted.

MS. BAKER: And move the resolution be adopted.


THE PRESIDENT: Those in favor -- discussion?

Allyn?

MR. GUFFEY: Compared to Frank Danieli's retirement, Vaughan Emett took another position after he had retired from the HSFO agency in Utah, but he took another position with State of Utah, so I sort of felt like, the way the resolution read, it was wishing him a long and happy retirement, that he went fishing every day, whatever. And I was just wondering if it ought to
be -- some wordsmithing.

THE PRESIDENT: Ought to be what?

MR. GUFFEY: Some wordsmithing done on it a little bit more to fit his situation, or are we just going to --

MR. BILLERA: In order to cut this short, Madam President, the motion to do some wordsmithing on the existing or presented resolutions without necessarily changing their intended direction would take care of a whole bunch of errors and typos and things like that, without having to record them onto the record.

I advise the president to maybe consider that.

MR. MEAD: Yes, good idea.

MR. BILLERA: Do you know where we are, Madam President?

THE PRESIDENT: You're going --

MR. BILLERA: You've got a motion and you've got a second --

THE PRESIDENT: I didn't think I had a motion.

MR. BILLERA: You had a motion, you had a second and you've got a discussion. And the issue came up on the discussion, so we need somebody to amend the current motion to take care of typos and suggested changes without changing intent.

MR. MEAD: So move, Laura, please.

MS. BAKER: Can I amend my most recent --

MR. BILLERA: Thank you.

MS. BAKER: -- amend to include any necessary nonsubstantive changes to align the resolutions to include
whatever is needed, as wordsmithing.

MR. BRYANT: I'll second. Terry Bryant, Alabama.

MR. BILLERA: All right. So now you have --

THE PRESIDENT: Any discussion?

MR. BILLERA: Right.

THE PRESIDENT: Those in favor, say aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign.

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed.

I have copies of the resolutions for the individuals but I'm going to hang on to those for a minute.

MR. BILLERA: All right.

THE PRESIDENT: Newsletter, Don.

MR. WAMKE: I'm Don Wamke, Wisconsin.

I've been asked by the newsletter chairperson to give the report for the newsletter.

During the past year, three editions of the HSFO newsletter were distributed to approximately 950 readers. In addition to the regular features, the focus has been on state projects performed by our corporate sponsors. The cost of each edition has been approximately $1,500.

I wish to take this opportunity also to thank all who have contributed. In addition, Nancy Haber, the current chairperson, has made a decision to pass on the work of the
newsletter to another HSFO member.

I move acceptance of the newsletter report.

THE PRESIDENT: Do we have a second?


THE PRESIDENT: Discussion?

Hearing none, those in favor indicate by saying aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign?

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed. Thank you.

Time and place, Stan Mead.

MR. MEAD: Madam President, on behalf of Mr. Willard Bouwens, HSFO 2007 Time and Place Chairman, I'm pleased to present the following report:

The 2008 HSFO conference will be held in Charlotte, North Carolina, August the 3rd through the 8th at the Mariott Charlotte City Center.

The 2009 HSFO conference will be held in New Orleans, Louisiana, July the 26th through the 31st at the Omni, Royal Orleans Hotel.

The 2010 HSFO conference will be held in Bismarck, North Dakota, August the 1st through the 6th at the Ramoka Hotel.

The great state of West Virginia has expressed interest in hosting the 2011 HSFO conference in Charleston, West Virginia.

Attached to this report are two letters of support from West
Virginia. The first is from Martha Walker, the secretary of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources. And the other is from Mr. Jason, I hope I pronounce this right, Najmulski, the Commissioner of West Virginia Bureau of Children and Families.

In consideration of West Virginia’s offer to host the 2011 conference, the fall planning meeting of HSFO will be held in Charleston to review the site. No other state has offered to host the 2011 conference.

Madam President, I cannot move my report but I so request it.


MR. RONER: I second it. Kent Roner, Utah.

THE PRESIDENT: Discussion?

Those in favor indicate by saying aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign?

(No response)

MR. BILLERA: Training.

Madam President, you didn't announce the vote.

THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed.

MR. BILLERA: Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you.

Training. Allyn.

MR. BILLERA: For the record, she can't --
THE PRESIDENT: Thank you.

MR. BILLERA: You're welcome.

THE PRESIDENT: I'm just not remembering that part.

MR. BILLERA: Oh, I mean to help you, ma'am.

MR. MEAD: Why don't I whisper in your ear, that way Rich won't have to hear everything.

MR. GUFFEY: The Training Committee report for -- my name is Allyn Guffey of North Carolina.

The Training Committee report partially has been covered by the historian's report, but I'll give that part again.

December 15th to the 17th, we had our first Child Welfare Services III training. It was held in New Orleans, Louisiana. 36 registered attendees.

March 9th through March 11th, Cost Allocation was held in Raleigh. There were 26 registered trainees.

April 30th through May the 2nd, the initial TANF/Day Care -- that really should be Child Care, Food Stamps Training, was held in Salt Lake City Utah. 37 registered trainees.

And the Cost Allocation training was presented in Boise, Idaho, May 18th through the 21st, with 36 registered trainees.

The first four sessions we had a total of 135 trainees. That might be duplicated. And there were 28 different states represented at those four training sessions plus the federal government.

There are four scheduled training events between now and
the end of the year.

TANF/Child Care/Food Stamps will be repeated in Oklahoma City on October the 1st through October the 3rd. Deena Brown is coordinating that for us.

Medicaid II will be presented in Baltimore, Maryland, October 1st through October 3rd. Hank Fitzer will be coordinating that for us.

Child Welfare Services III will be repeated in Charleston, West Virginia, October 29th through October 31st. And that will be coordinated by Richard Brennan.

And Advanced Cost Allocation, really, this is five, Advanced Cost Allocation will be offered as one of two training events in Charleston, West Virginia, from December 10th through the 12th. The other training session that will also be held in Charleston December 10th through the 12th, the Child Welfare Services I, we'll repeat that series.

Madam President, that completes my report. I move for its acceptance.

THE PRESIDENT: Do we have a second?

MR. BERRY: Jerry Berry. I move to second it.

Arkansas.

THE PRESIDENT: Discussion?

Those in favor indicate by saying aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign?
THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed.

All right. Federal issues, Simone Roy.

MS. ROY: Madam President, in the interest of time I would like to just touch on the high points and leave all the detail out.

There hasn't been too much happening since our planning meeting in Alaska. I do want to recognize Debbie Loper of Louisiana, who contributed to the Medicaid issues, and Doug Robinson of West Virginia who did the child care, TANF and LIHEAP.

Under child welfare, Title IV-B case worker visits, data collection and reporting, a new policy announcement was announced by ACF mandating case worker visits, a monthly face-to-face meeting in the child's residence.

Court improvement program funds: State court improvement program basic grant, $10 million is reserved each year for states, for grants to state court systems to enable the courts to conduct assessments of their foster care and adoption laws and judicial processes.

SACWIS: Program instruction of policies, work issues affecting child welfare system projects, including systems that meet federal requirements of state automatic child welfare information. And there's a whole list of topics that are included in that policy.

Held over from the Juneau report, is an HSFO
contribution to comments on the Title IV-E, ACF-IV-E1 form. We
have not heard back from the federal person in charge of that,
although Harry Roberts, our past president from Delaware, has been
in contact so we'll see input.

Under Medicaid, held over from the Juneau report because
of its importance impact is the Cost Allocation DAB that reopens
Cost Allocation plans based on "material defect."

Also, under Medicaid, the CMS issue, the final citizen
guidelines for Medicaid eligibility.

SCHIP expansion was legislated. That would reauthorize
SCHIP and increase funding for the program by $35 billion over
five years.


Institutions For Mental Diseases Exclusion, DAB Decision
Number 2066. And I want to thank past president Richard Billera
from New York for providing this information to Debbie Loper of
Louisiana to include in this report as this has not even been
posted to the DAB website yet.

The DAB recently upheld a CMS disallowance of $7.6
million FFP for certain medical and ancillary services provided to
children who resided in private psychiatric hospitals or
residential treatment facilities that were institutions for mental
diseases. CMS based this disallowance on an OIG audit report that
found New York had improperly claimed FFP in payments for
inpatient acute hospital care, physician, clinic, pharmacy,
laboratory, dental and other services rendered by providers other
than the IMDs in which the children resided.

Under TANF and Child Support, questions and responses on
coordination between the TANF and the Child Support Enforcement
Programs since enactment of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005.

Under the Childcare and Development Fund, OMB extended
its approval of form ACF-696 information collection through June
30th of 2010.

And the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program,
LIHEAP, announced that grantees -- that the Division of Energy
Assistance will no longer mail out Action Transmittals and
Information Memoranda on a regular basis, and that all information
will be disseminated on the LIHEAP website.

Madam President, that's my report, and I move for
acceptance.

THE PRESIDENT: Do we have a second?


THE PRESIDENT: Discussion?

Those in favor of accepting the report indicate by
saying aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign.

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you.

MR. BILLERA: Madam President --
CPE. Dick Humiston.

MR. HUMISTON: Ma'am Chairman, I'm Richard Humiston, Idaho Department of Health and Welfare reporting for Dave Butler, the CPE Program Chair.

The continuing professional education report from May through July, 2007, shows that the organization issued 99 CPE certificates as follows: March 2007, Cost Allocation in Raleigh, 26 certificates issued; April 2007, TANF, Child Care, Food Stamps, in Salt Lake, 37 certificates issued; May 2007, Cost Allocation, Boise, 36 certificates issued.

We also resubmitted our annual recertification package in May 2007, to NASBA. Since we received certification from NASBA last year, we've issued 305 certificates for approximately 4,200 hours of continuing professional education.

That is the CPE report. I move for acceptance.

THE PRESIDENT: Do we have a second?

MR. RONER: I second it. Kent Roner from Utah.

THE PRESIDENT: Discussion?

Those in favor indicate by saying aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign?

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed.

And I'll call upon Dick Humiston for our special
committee report having to do with the HSFO website and logo.

MR. HUMISTON: Richard Humiston, Idaho Department of
Health and Welfare.

Madam President, as we reported in Juneau, the ad hoc
commitee to review the web page design has been reviewing the
HSFO logo. Since the logo was shown on all our web pages we felt
it important to adopt an official logo before the web pages were
rebuilt. We looked at different concept as well as multiple
variations of our current logo with different fonts, colors and
borders.

The committee recommends that we adopt the logo that is
currently on the web page as the official logo for HSFO. This is
the one with green capital letters which are joined and a lower
case O. This logo is similar to what has been used in the past
and best reflects what a logo should be to an organization, a
symbol which has immediate name recognition.

This logo would be used on all official HSFO business,
including letterhead, training materials and on the website.

The committee has also identified a web layout to be
used in the redesign of our website. Modeling after the
Association of Governmental Accountants site, our design would
encompass a menu of buttons down the left side of the screen which
will identify primary areas of interest such as training, upcoming
events, newsletter, a secure conference site, and a secure
members-only area.
Each of these buttons would have a submenu attached as appropriate to ease navigation to the specific site a person wanted.

The secure conference site would have the presentation materials from the conference as well as attendee lists, items which we normally provide hard copies of to the attendees. This would be secured by a password which all attendees would be provided. This process is to minimize inappropriate use of these materials by individuals not associated with the conference or organization.

The secured member-only area would contain much the same material as it does today, including View from Washington, officer and member email and phone numbers, and other materials which would encourage continued membership in HSFO.

We hope to make the website a continued resource to members as well as others seeking information about our organization.

I move for acceptance of this report.

THE PRESIDENT: Do we have a second?


THE PRESIDENT: Discussion?

Allyn.

MR. GUFFEY: Is it possible, when you are listing the members and their web addresses and all of this stuff, to somehow put a notation out there that they are Medicaid or Social Services
or Day-Care or whatever, so if you are looking for another person
in another state to talk to about, say, a Medicaid issue, you can
identify who that is on the website?

MR. HUMISTON: We'll look at doing that. It may take a
while to gather that information. We would also have to take into
consideration umbrella agencies.

THE PRESIDENT: Any other discussion?

MS. BAKER: I just wanted to ask some clarification, are
we still going to try to even up the S and the O edging?

MR. HUMISTON: In terms of the current web logo --

MS. BAKER: Uh-huh.

MR. HUMISTON: -- we do have to do some cleanup of the
arc of that logo before we can enlarge it and make it more
printer-ready material.

THE PRESIDENT: Any further discussion?

Hearing none, those in favor, indicate by saying aye.

(Vote taken)

THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign?

(No response)

THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed.

Nominating committee. Harry Roberts.

MR. ROBERTS: Okay. On behalf of Jim Fredyma, chairman
of the nominating committee, I would like to offer the following
report:

The historian application was available throughout this
year on the website. There was also an email sent out to the
members, I believe, in June, that announced that the chair of the
nominating committee was accepting nominations. And so pursuant
to HSFO bylaws the following is the nominating committee report.
The current vice-president, secretary, treasurer and
historian all agree to move up to president, vice-president,
secretary and treasurer in 2008, respectively, leaving a vacancy
for Historian in 2008.
The announcement for the vacant historian position was
posted on the HSFO website and notice of the vacancy was emailed
to members in accordance with the bylaws.
One application was received and was reviewed by the
nominating committee.
And I'm pleased to offer Stuart Kettner as a candidate
for historian and ask that the membership approve his appointment.
This completes my report and I move that it be accepted.
THE PRESIDENT: Discussion?
Those in favor indicate by saying aye.
(Vote taken)
THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign?
(No response)
THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed. Thank you.
MR. ROBERTS: So president for 2008 would be Richard
Humiston; vice-president, Rick Brennan; treasurer would be Jerry
Berry; and as you have elected, historian would be Stuart Kettner.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:  Secretary?  How about the

secretary, it's your Program Chair.

MR. ROBERTS:  Preprinted these?  My apology, Jeff.

You'll be secretary.  If only I could read.

MR. MEAD:  Madam court reporter, would you make sure I
get a particular copy of that quote by Mr. Roberts.

MR. BILLERA:  Was that the nomination hearing?  Was that
the committee's nomination?

MR. ROBERTS:  Yes, it was.

MR. MEAD:  You need to move to second it for the board.

MR. BILLERA:  The report was already passed.  The
nomination is currently on the floor, Madam President, the
nomination committee's selection of officers.  What would you like
to do next?

THE PRESIDENT:  Harry, your motion was for acceptance of
your report?

MR. BILLERA:  That has already been passed.

THE PRESIDENT:  Yes.  So we need a motion for --

MR. BILLERA:  We need the nomination, right?

THE PRESIDENT:  Acceptance of the nomination.

MR. BILLERA:  Yes.

MR. TORVINEN:  Mike Torvinen of Nevada.  I move for
acceptance of the nomination.

MR. ROBINSON:  Second, Doug Robinson of West Virginia.
THE PRESIDENT: Discussion?
Those in favor indicate by saying aye.
(Vote taken)
THE PRESIDENT: Those opposed, same sign?
(No response)
THE PRESIDENT: Motion passed.
So that takes us to the regional director election.
It's done by region. We have four regions that will get together
into the four corners of the room and agree on the next regional
director for that region.
Would you, in the interest of time, as soon as you have
been able to settle on out who your next regional director is
going to be for Regions I, III, V and VII, would you sit back down
so we know you are ready, so we can continue as soon as we can.
And then after those elections, we then need to elect an
At Large and we will take nominations from the floor for that
position.
So will I, III, V and VII.
(Break-out committees were formed and met at this time.)
THE PRESIDENT: All right. If we could receive the
results from Region I.
MS. ROY: Region I has nominated Dave Clarke of New
Hampshire and he has accepted.
THE PRESIDENT: And Region III.
MR. GUFFEY: Region III has elected Shari Bryant. We
didn't ask her if she accepted it. Shari Bryant. Let me clarify that, Shari Bryant, North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child Development, because there's another Shari Bryant.

THE PRESIDENT: Would you like to ask her if she --

MS. BRYANT: I'll accept it.

THE PRESIDENT: Region V?

MR. BERRY: We've nominated and accepted, both done and accepted, Ms. Debbie Loper from the great state of Louisiana.

THE PRESIDENT: And Region VII?

MR. RONER: Region VII, Brenda Weisz was asked if she would accept, and she said yes.

THE PRESIDENT: With that, we'll take nominations from the floor for At Large I.

MR. GUFFEY: Who is currently in that role?

THE PRESIDENT: Currently Terry Bryant from Alabama is in that role.

MR. ROBERTS: Harry Roberts, Delaware. I would like to nominate Terry Bryant of Alabama for the At Large I regional director slot.

MR. BERRY: I'm Jerry Berry, second.

MR. ROBINSON: Second, Doug Robinson.

THE PRESIDENT: What did you say, Doug?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: He just seconded it.

THE PRESIDENT: We're just taking nominations at the
MR. MEAD: He seconded the nomination.

MR. BRENNAN: He seconded the nomination. We've got to have a second.

MR. MEAD: That gets him on the ballot.

MS. BAKER: I move that we close nominations and take a vote. Laura Baker of Alaska.

THE PRESIDENT: But if we need a second --

MR. TORVINEN: Doug Robinson from Virginia seconded the nomination.

MR. ROBINSON: West Virginia.

MR. TORVINEN: I'm from Nevada.

MR. SANCHEZ: Jason Sanchez, second the motion by Laura Baker.

THE PRESIDENT: All right. Nominations are closed. We have one nomination. Yes.

MR. BILLERA: The secretary vote.

THE PRESIDENT: We have a single vote by the secretary. Since it's --

MR. BILLERA: Yeah, go ahead.

THE PRESIDENT: Since it's only one nomination.

MR. BRENNAN: I move for acclamation.

MR. REYNOLDS: Second, Jeff Reynolds, Louisiana.

MR. MEAD: So be it.

MR. HUMISTON: So be it.
MR. ROBERTS: Say "I acclaim."

THE PRESIDENT: Congratulations, Terry.

MR. MEAD: Way to go, Terry.

MR. BILLERA: That's all right. She congratulated him and which at the same time she accepted the acclamation.

THE PRESIDENT: Unfinished business. 2008?

Mr. Guffey. Are you looking for the podium, Allyn?

MR. GUFFEY: I can't plug this thing in.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You've got to take it out of the plastic box.

MR. ROBERTS: Just trying to be helpful.

MR. GUFFEY: If you all haven't figured it out, I'm technologically challenged.

MS. BAKER: Do you have your script down?

MR. GUFFEY: Do I have my what?

MS. BAKER: Script.

MR. GUFFEY: I mean, I can't operate a laptop -- I mean a full-sized computer, much less one of these little laptop jobs.

I recognize this.

I was going to say just a little bit about North Carolina at large. We're going to host the conference next year, and if you've ever been to North Carolina you'll know, or looked at a map, you'll know that on the right-hand side you'll see the Atlantic, on the left-hand side you'll see the Appalachian Mountains.
I've heard from more than one person who said they are going to come spend a few days in North Carolina before they come to Charlotte, so I thought I would start off with a few little slides about the mountains. Now I don't know where this particular slide was made at.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: New Jersey.

MR. GUFFEY: Well, that's got North Carolina across the top, but you'll notice a major difference between what you see out this window out here, with basically some low grade shrubs and maybe no shrubs and a lot of desert-like mountains; and the North Carolina mountains, the Appalachian Mountains, in general, there are a lot of trees just about everywhere you look.

These are beautiful in their own ways. Ours --

MR. TORVINEN: Good recovery.

MR. GUFFEY: Sorry, what?

MR. TORVINEN: Good recovery.

MR. GUFFEY: But ours are beautiful in different ways too.

That's another shot of the mountains. That's not the one I was expecting to see, but there's the beach.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: There's a different shot of the mountains.

MR. GUFFEY: Over here on the left right-hand coast, you've got the beach. We had a few more shots of mountains here somewhere. But anyway, if you want to go to the beach, you can.
It's down there over where the sand stops.

I'm -- personally, I prefer the mountains. I think if you have seen one beach, you've seen them all, but we have some, what I'm told, is some very nice beaches.

There are the mountains again.

MR. ROBERTS: I'm told.

MR. GUFFEY: I'm told by the person who put this thing together.

MR. ROBERTS: Have you ever seen the North Carolina beaches?

MR. GUFFEY: Yeah, they are flat.

You'll notice all this, clouds, mist and stuff down here, that's why they call it the Smoky Mountains. It looks like smoke but it's not.

Here we are back at the beach.

She did this to me on purpose.

Ocracoke Island was recently named America's best beach, not just on the Atlantic Coast, Florida, or whatever, not just on the left coast, but including the Hawaiian beaches. Ocracoke Island is ranked number one.

If you want to go to Ocracoke Island, one, take your big checkbook and, two, make your reservations well in advance, because there are not a lot of high rise hotels. I'm talking about not hardly any. It's very undeveloped. That's why families like to go there and play in the sand and the salt water.
That must be the beach, it's awful flat. I don't even remember this slide. Golly.

And there is some pirate ships off the Ocracoke Island. I don't know. I've got to talk to Chris about this.

I'm glad we are doing this in the business meeting instead of in front of 350 people or something.

There's the beach. Like I said, you seen one sand dune, you have seen them all.

There's a lighthouse. We've got about what, seven or nine light houses. I think it's nine, I think. They start down in the bottom and they go all the way to the top.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Are those at the beach or the mountains?

MR. GUFFEY: This particular one is at the beach.

MR. MEAD: Is that different from other light houses?

They start at the top and go to the bottom. What if the reverse is true?

MR. GUFFEY: Now, finally.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You got to Charlotte.

MR. GUFFEY: Charlotte is here, but we got the coastal areas, we got the mountains. And in the middle we've got the Piedmont, which is Raleigh and Durham and Winston-Salem, Greensboro and Charlotte. Charlotte, by far, is the largest city according to population. It has more high-rise buildings at the current time than any other city of North Carolina.
The airport has excellent accessibility. It used to be very expensive to fly into and out of Charlotte but they have gotten some more air carriers in there now, the prices are coming down. It's pretty reasonable to fly in and out of Charlotte now. We're going to be at the Mariott City Center. You can just barely see where it says Mariott at the very top left, red, that's the end of our hotel. So you can see we're right in the middle of all of this high rise stuff.

That's the main entrance to the Mariott City Center. It's a very nice facility. It's got a very nice conference area. It's a lot -- it's not near as big as this one but a lot of things remind me of this one in that you go up one level and all that is up there is space for meetings.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Do they have video lottery and stuff?

MR. GUFFEY: No. No. And we don't have them houses either.

MR. ROBERTS: Not legally, at least.

MR. GUFFEY: Not legally either.

For our Tuesday afternoon event, we've been oohing and awing about what to do over this and we just came to a conclusion about a week ago, Tuesday afternoon we plan to load everybody up and go to Lowe's Motor Speedway. It may be preceded by a trip to a major car shop like Hendrick Motorsports or Erhardt Industries or something like that. I'm going to call them and find out how
many people can they accommodate on tour, how long does the tour last, things like that.

So we're going to potentially go there first, and then we'll go into the building from where this picture was made from, which is really about a six-story building, very nice inside. And you can set up different kind of games and this, that and the other. And on Tuesday nights they have races.

Now this is not going to be using the entire mile and a half track. You'll see what looks like an oval, small oval that goes around in there. That's a quarter-mile track. And they are going to be doing racing there Tuesday night. For those folks who want to stay for the race, we'll take a nose count, we'll have a bus leave late to bring us back. Those who don't want to stay for the race, we'll get you on a bus and take you on back to the hotel.

They also race school buses down there, and usually they race them on Tuesday nights. So these are not your typical big yellow school buses. They are painted up somebody's team colors, you know, and I'm sure the engines are not the standard engines. Honest to gosh, they race school buses.

That's another -- that's a picture of Lowe's Motor Speedway at night with the lights on. They probably have to have the lights on at night, they race until 10:30, or it's going to be bumper cars all the way.

I think Lowe's Motor Speed -- what?
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It's the lights on at night that got us, you know.

MR. GUFFEY: Well, they ain't got headlights on the cars.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: They do that in Nevada too. I notice they turn lights on too.

MR. GUFFEY: It's not on the cars, you know. Those lights are designed to shine on the Speedway itself. And I think Lowe's is one of the first racetracks, major racetracks to have lighted, nighttime racing.

Those are the little cars, I call them midget cars, because they are about five-eighths the size of a typical race car. That's what they are going to be racing Tuesday night.

MR. ROBERTS: Will there be enough for all participants to have one to race in?

MR. GUFFEY: No, this is not what we're going to be racing. These people have invested a whole bunch of money in these little cars that are going to be racing.

MR. ROBERTS: We're worth it.

MR. GUFFEY: Well, you're going to have to get you one.

MR. ROBERTS: We're worth it.

MR. GUFFEY: Okay. Now, the spouse activity events that we're pretty much firm on is going to the Lowe's -- Daniel Stowe Botanical Gardens. This is in the county, to the west.
This is the main entrance to the botanical gardens. We went there two Saturdays ago. I like to have never got them two women out of that place. But it was very pretty. It had a wedding going on while we were there. It was a real Chamber of Commerce type day when it's like mid '80s, low humidity. It was just really nice.

They told me when I went back through all those gardens that it had a lot of beautiful areas where they might have like all white flowers in one area and water fountains in another, you know, all that stuff. And I just cut the yard at the house.

So -- in fact, they liked it so good they said they were going to turn it into an all day event. They were going to have somebody bring in meals or something.

And that's a view from inside Lowe's -- Stowe Botanical Garden. I keep wanting to say Lowe's Botanical Garden. It's Stowe Botanical Garden.

So the kids' agenda, there are several things we are looking at. We've got two people working on the kids' agenda. There's a couple of things within walking distance of the hotel. There are some things where they would have to get on buses and go. There is also a pool there at the hotel, where we can have a pool party for the kids.

There are other things we're looking at for spouses, agenda items too, we just haven't narrowed it down and said for sure that's what we want to do.
So that's how things are shaking out in Charlotte right now. So we want everybody who came to this to come to Charlotte next year.

And before I forget, I want to thank Shawna DeRousse for all the work she has done on the registration package, because she has got a slick piece of software that works really well and she's already committed to emailing me that package. So thank you, Shawna.

MS. DeROUSSE: You are welcome.

MR. GUFFEY: Like I told you, I'm technologically challenged. How do I get that CD out of here?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Just shake it.

MR. GUFFEY: Thank you. Thank you.

Madam President, that concludes my report.


MR. REYNOLDS: I'll keep it nice and short. The 2009 annual conference will be held in New Orleans, Louisiana, from July 26 to July 31st, 2009, will be at Omni Royal Orleans Hotel down in the French Quarter where we had the planning meeting, and we'll be working out the details of what all the fun things we'll be doing, this fall. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: Brenda.

MS. WEISZ: Madam President and Members of the Board, in 2010 then we'll be venturing to Bismarck, North Dakota. We have flat -- they are not sand dunes, it's just the land. And we have
hills and not mountains, but I disagree with you that once you've seen one beach, you've seen them all, and once you have seen one flat land, you don't see them all either. So North Dakota has a lot of different -- a variety of things to see, and its vast open spaces.

We'll be conferencing at the Best Western Ramkota Hotel. The rates are good 48 hours prior to the conference and 48 hours after.

We've signed a contract, locked into the rates, and have worked out the details of that. And the main event will be the pitchfork fondue; and all of you that know what that is, keep it to yourself, we want people to come and check it out.

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you.

New business.

We are going to hear from Rick Brennan on the fall planning meeting.

MR. BRENNAN: Just a quick update. We are looking at having the fall planning meeting in Charleston, West Virginia. We also prefer mountains to the beach, especially in December. As you are coming in, you will see lighthouses in West Virginia. They usually reflect stills, not beaches. We won't guarantee the lights are on at night.

The staff of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Services is really looking forward to being able to welcome you. Hospitality there is great.
The dates of the fall planning meeting will be December 8th to 12th, 2007. It will be at the Charleston Town Center Mariott.

Information is not on the website yet. We hope to have it up in the week or two. We have a lot of details to work out this week before we can finalize it.

Concurrent with that training, with that planning meeting, there will also be two training sessions, as noted, the very first offering of the Advanced Cost Allocation, and there will be Child Welfare Fundamentals at the same time.

The room rate for the hotel will probably be -- I mean I'm not going to bleed on it, but it will probably be 119 a night.

The only guaranteed event so far planned is we’re looking at a tailgate party for the Arkansas/Tennessee game that night.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: What Arkansas/Tennessee game?

MR. BRENNAN: Other events may be dependent on a referendum in Kanawha County, West Virginia, dated August 11th, 2007, on whether or not we will have table games.

There is a dog track at the back of my house, I know that. We could charge you parking and shuttle you down. And if this referendum passes, there will also be table games.

If you want any information, Doug, myself, any of our staff, call us at any time, we'll fit you in as best we can.

Thank you.
THE PRESIDENT: Thank you.

And spring planning meeting. Karen Fricke.

MS. FRICKE: They told me I had exactly 30 seconds to get this done, so I want to tell you all that Jerry and I are looking forward to hosting this spring conference in Little Rock. We're looking at dates in April. We can guarantee we are going to make hotel accommodations down on the river. It's very pretty. It will be in easy walking distance of the River Market where there are a couple of piano bars, a bunch of restaurants, museums. And if you walk far enough you'll get to the Clinton Presidential Library and we promise you that we'll take you there as an event while you are there as well.

We're looking at a day trip to Hot Springs, which could include racing and --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: What kind of racing?

MS. FRICKE: Horse racing, if you wanted to go horse racing, or if you don't like horse racing, we have our own games of skill there. The skill is choosing what the game is and putting a quarter in. It looks like a slot machine, it sounds like a slot machine but -- but historic -- Hot Springs has some really nice historic places to go. It also has some -- a really nice garden area as well. There are some other things that you can see.

We're looking forward to you all being there, so please try and join us. Hope to see you in The Rock.
THE PRESIDENT: Thank you. I wanted to share two ad hoc committees that I have appointed. The first is a training committee. It is to establish a joint HSFO/CMS training curriculum in CMS 37 and CMS 64 preparation on the purpose of various reporting lines in order to promote national consistency in preparation with the focus of HSFO providing a national training program.

This ad hoc committee will be chaired by Jim Fredyma North -- New Hampshire, and Hank Fitzer of Maryland will serve on the committee.

The committee is to report to the executive board on or before the fall meeting, fall planning meeting.

The second ad hoc committee that I have appointed is the audit response committee. It is, the purpose is to respond to the audit management letter with an eye toward corrective action and improved processes.

This ad hoc committee will be chaired by Jeff Reynolds, our current treasurer. Other committee members will be Laketha Miller, our current auditor; Jerry Berry, the upcoming treasurer; and Karen Fricke.

Is there any more new business?

Okay. If not, I adjourn the meeting. Thank you.

MR. BILLERA: Madam President, we need a motion, please.

MR. BERRY: I move we adjourn the meeting.

MR. ROBERTS: I second it.
THE PRESIDENT: I thought I had already.

MR. BILLERA: All in favor?

(Vote taken)

(The proceedings concluded at 5:21 p.m.)

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