Support Staff Committee Meeting Minutes

2017 NCSL Legislative Summit
Boston
Sunday, Aug. 6, 2017

Call to Order
The meeting of the Support Staff Committee was called to order by Sarah Armistead (Va.), chair.

Attendance
The following members of the committee were present: Sarah Armistead (Va.), chair, Michael Adams (Va.), Josh Babel (Ariz.), Sarah Bannister (Wash.), Erin Gillitzer (Wis.), Nathan Hatfield (Va.), Cathy Hooe (Va.), Maryann Horch (Va.), Kay Inabnet (Wis.), Kathy Jackson (Utah), Sabrina Lewellen (Ark.), Erica Manson (Va.), Michael Menszer (La.), Tara Perkinson (Va.), Rose Ramsey (Va.), Ron Smith (La.), and Alan Whittington (Tenn.).

Approval of Minutes
Upon a motion by Rose Ramsey (Va.) and seconded by Maryann Horch (Va.), the minutes of the last meeting held during the 2017 ASLCS Spring Meeting in Kansas City, Mo., were approved.

New Business
Erin Gillitzer (Wis.) was a participant in the Associate Exchange Program participant and went to the Louisiana House. Erin commented she learned so much and there was just not enough time. Her article about her experience is published in the Summer 2017 Legislative Administrator.

Dianne Russell (N.C.) was also selected as an Associate Exchange candidate, but unfortunately was unable to attend.

Support Staff committee has come up with their ideas for their sponsored concurrent session for the Fall Professional Development Seminar in Phoenix, Ariz.: Legislators and Staff Using Social Media. Michael Adams (Va.) has volunteered to be the moderator and Lisa Davis (Miss.) and Bernadette McNulty (Calif.) have agreed to be panelists.

Chair Armistead (Va.) passed around a description of the concurrent session.

Vice chairs have been working to encourage participation in the Legislative Expo for the Fall PDS, which will be 8:30-10:30 on Sept. 27, 2017. Some of the confirmed participants include Texas (Senate), Virginia (House and Senate), Wisconsin, and five-six sponsor tables.

Moderators for the Staff Breakout sessions have been assigned and notified. It was recommended they have a topic and a back-up topic ready for discussion.

Adjournment
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Maryann Horch (Va.)