

International Communication and Development Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting: 2015 Professional Development Seminar

Location: Raleigh, North Carolina

Date: Thursday, Sept. 24, 2015

Call to Order

The meeting of the International Communication and Development Committee was called to order by Chair Clark (AK) at 3:00 p.m.

Attendance

Whitney Johnson (TN)

Ann Marie Brown (TN)

Iris Lang (Canada)

Paul Nardo (VA)

Susan Schaar (VA)

Ethan Straton (MO)

Bill MaGill (VT)

Paul Smith (NH)

Patsy Spaw (TX)

Butch Speer (LA)

Deborah Deller (Canada)

Kristin Canterbury (WV)

Nicole Albers (TX)

Rose Ramsay (VA)

Jason Hataway (NV)

Susan Kannarr (KS)

Yolanda Dixon (LA)

Tracy Ortiz (TX)

Nanette Mitchell (TN)

Lourdes Litchfield (TX)

Neal Cornett (KY)

Emily White (MO)

Ann Krekelberg (AK)

Pat Harris (AL)

Jen Novak (ID)

Bo Hoover (WV)

Robert Altman (WV)

Steve Harrison (WV)

Sherry Rodriguez (NV)

Tim Sekerak (OR)

Andrew Ketchings (MS)

Joyce Wright (AL)

Michael Adams (VA)

Tara Jenkins (TN)

Greg Glass (TN)

Kim Cox (TN)

Approval of Minutes

Upon a motion by Paul Smith (NH) seconded by Bill MaGill (VT), the minutes of the last meeting held Monday, Aug. 3, 2015 at the NCSL Legislative Summit in Seattle, WA, were approved.

Old Business

Chair Clark welcomed committee members and thanked them all for their participation. She reviewed the overview of the committee's purpose as described on the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) website. Chair Clark explained the committee is additionally charged with updating and publishing the International Directory and traditionally committee members also go out of their way to be welcoming to all international guests attending our Professional Development Seminar (PDS).

Susan Schaar (VA) gave the committee a brief history of the committee's work and the formation of our sister societies: ATELCA, ANOMAC, and ANZACATT. She explained that ASLCS was the model for these other groups and helped them get started.

Chair Clark distributed copies of the newly published International Directory to committee members. She also thanked those who participated in yesterday's engaging and successful concurrent session.

New Business

Vice Chair Schulz took the meeting over and recognized ASLCS President Susan Furlong. President Furlong greeted the committee and thanked them for their work.

Vice Chair Schulz introduced the international guests attending this Raleigh meeting, welcomed those in attendance and asked committee members to kindly continue to make them feel welcome throughout the conference.

Chair Clark recounted her trip to the ANOMAC (Asociacion Nacional de Oficiales Mayores de los Congresos de los Estados y Distrito Federal) meeting in Chetumal, Mexico. Steve Marshall (VT) provided the committee with information about the recent Clerks at the Table (CATTs) meeting in Yellowknife, Canada. Mr. Marshall also detailed new information about the upcoming Canadian American meeting to be held in Ohio and publicly thanked Brad Young (OH) for all his work on making it possible.

Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the committee and upon a motion by Paul Smith (NH) and seconded by Jennifer Novak (ID), the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Clark (Alaska), Chair [with thanks to Janice Gadd (UT) who took the meeting notes]