

Membership and Communication Committee Meeting Minutes

2016 NCSL Legislative Summit
Chicago, Ill.
Monday, Aug. 8, 2016

Call to Order

The meeting of the Membership and Communication Committee was called to order by Brad Young (Ohio), Chair.

Attendance

The following members of the committee were present: Brad Young (Ohio), Chair, Judy Barrows (Maine), Joanna Bolstad (Va.), Corey Carnahan (Kan.), Buddy Johnson (Ark.), Crystalline Jones (Alaska), Trish O'Brien (Va.), Jackie Scott (Va.), Angela Smith (La.), and Sandy Tenney (Utah).

Other members/guests in attendance included Sarah Armistead (Va.), Phil Cottingham (Texas), Jennifer Teigen Doran (Texas), Andrew Ketchings (Miss.), Carrie Maulin (Idaho), and Jonathan Griffin (NCSL).

Approval of Minutes

Upon a motion by Jackie Scott (Va.), seconded by Judy Barrows (Maine), the minutes of the last meeting held Sat., April 23, 2016 at the ASLCS Spring Business Meeting in Alexandria, Va., were approved.

Old Business

The committee determined that breakfast "Friendship Tables" would again be used for new attendees and their sponsors at the PDS in Boise, and that it would be ideal to conduct New Attendee Orientation at, or immediately following, breakfast the first morning of the PDS. The Chair asked Jonathan Griffin (NCSL) if that would be possible and he stated that the Chair, President Furlong, and NCSL would work together to discuss the feasibility of that goal. The Chair mentioned that it wasn't quite clear as to which committee (Membership and Communication or Program Development) was responsible for identifying individuals to lead the staff breakout sessions in Boise, but that it would be clarified soon. The committee also concluded that both pins and business cards should be counted in the new attendee pin contest in Boise.

New Business

The Chair asked the committee to provide ideas for enhancing New Attendee Orientation and the overall experience of the new attendees. The committee determined that an "ice-breaker" would no longer be a part of the Orientation and that the "Friendship Tables" would instead be used to get to know folks. Angela Smith (La.) suggested that sponsors could come up with some getting-to-know-you questions to ask at the Tables. Sandy Tenney (Utah) recommended having both a newer member and a veteran member of ASCLS speak at the Orientation to discuss their

experience and how being involved in the Society has benefited them. The Chair also discussed feedback from last year's new attendees. It included that providing more information on ASLCS committees earlier in the week would've been helpful and that the new attendee wrap-up session may not be necessary. Carrie Maulin (Idaho) mentioned that the committee may want to consider emailing an electronic new attendee feedback survey, immediately following the PDS.

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Sandy Tenney (Utah), seconded by Jackie Scott (Va.), the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Brad Young (Ohio), Chair