Members On-line:

Robbie Taylor, President, Division VI, Chris Simons, Vice-President, Division IV, Sherry Klaus, Secretary, Division I; Cathy Bowlin, Director, Division II, Pegi Long, Treasurer, Division V; Diane Miller, Director, Division III

President Robbie Taylor called the teleconference to order at 9:00 am MST with the above directors on-line.

Motion was made by Diane Miller to approve the minutes of the last directors’ meeting held November 14, 2012, seconded by Cathy Bowlin; motion carried.

Pegi Long reviewed the Treasurer reports which had been previously provided. There was some discussion regarding the budgets versus the actual numbers. The current budget projection shows a loss of $265.00. However, the actual dues income received shows an increase of $691.00 due to some districts making additional donations. There was some discussion whether the budget should be amended at this time or wait to see other developments.  Motion was made by Diane Miller to table any amendment of the budget until the July directors meeting, seconded by Chris Simons; motion carried.  Motion was then made by Diane Miller to accept the treasurer reports, seconded by Chris Simons; motion carried.

Robbie informed the directors that due to a change in Sherry’s work schedule, she was submitting her resignation as secretary. She does not anticipate being able to travel to meetings or conference due to another work obligation at this time. Since there is no one in Division I that can take over the Director’s duties, she will stay on as the Director and do the best she can to participate via telephone. Diane Miller moved to accept the resignation and allow Sherry to participate remotely as the Division I director, seconded by Chris Simons; motion carried.

There was discussion regarding an increase in the $35.00 membership dues for districts. A suggestion was made to have the dues be $35.00 per person in the district however it was pointed out that several employees work for two districts and that didn’t seem fair – also some districts have numerous employees and it didn’t seem fair to ask them to pay that much. Pegi Long moved to raise the district dues to $50.00, seconded by Diane Miller; motion carried.

Ideas for a workshop for the 2013 IASCD conference to be held in Boise from Nov 17th to the 20th were discussed. Chris Simons had presented a summary of the Division V and VI workshop during the IASCD conference call. Kathy Weaver had presented a shorter version of that workshop at the 2012 conference so a more intensive presentation might be a good idea. There was an excellent turnout of supervisors at
that training and any training presented at conference should be relevant for supervisors as well.

Diane Miller said that Kari Schwendiman was developing a grant writing class from the training their division was able to attend with funding from the ISWCC Capacity Building grant and that might be something she could have ready in time for conference. Cathy said she would check with Kari to see how that might work.

Robbie pointed out that in the IDEA By Laws under Article XVII covering Finance, it state that the Board of Directors shall provide for an annual financial review/financial compilation, performed by an independent source. Since our budgets have so drastically changed, he thought that the membership should address a change to this. After some discussion, **Sherry Klaus moved to propose a change to read “the Board of Directors may provide for an annual financial review/financial compilation, performed by an independent source if recommended.”** Diane Miller seconded and the motion carried.

Robbie asked the directors to start thinking of possible extra funding sources for the IDEA raffle done during conference. With the dwindling budgets and additional raffles being conducted, and the possibility of another reduction in the IDEA share of IASCD conference income, it will be important to find the funds necessary to fund our raffle. Both Robbie and Chris suggested that we look for corporate sponsors to help with the funding. It will be further discussed at the Summer board meeting.

The question was raised concerning the Professional Growth Scholarship that has previously been funded by IDEA. Last year $75 was given to an employee in Division VI but it was not budgeted for this year due to a lack of fund. Sherry asked how many directors had utilized the Skil Soft Training that had been provided by ISWCC. It had many classes that were very informative and helpful. It would seem that since $75.00 would not go very far in actually paying for a class or organized training session, that district employees should be encouraged to utilize this online program that has been provided to all districts. **Diane Miller moved to eliminate the $75.00 Scholarship as a regularly funded program, seconded by Chris Simons; motion carried.**

A date for the summer meeting in Boise was discussed. In the past, coordinating with the IASCD Board meeting has been advantageous, however, it is unknown if we can continue to do this. Robbie noted that IDEA would probably continue to call on Chris to attend the IASCD meetings. Also, he thought IASCD would have a meeting in April when they would decide their summer meeting date, so we could wait until then to decide.

He addressed the board vacancies we have, both historian and secretary. He thought it was more important to fill the secretary position. Sherry noted that if Chris would send out the information she generally recorded as a past historian, perhaps each director could help out with that. Diane noted that she will not be a director after their fall division meeting. Cathy Bolin was asked about the secretary position but declined. Robbie said he would ask Joyce Smith – she was the director at large from Division VI.
Robbie also noted that the state mileage rate had increased to $.55/mile and he thought that the mileage reimbursement rate for IDEA should be consistent. *Diane Miller moved to raise the mileage rate to $.55/mile, seconded by Cathy Bowlin; motion carried.*

*With no further business to discuss, motion to adjourn was made by Diane Miller and seconded by Sherry Klaus; motion carried.*

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 AM MST.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sherry Klaus, Secretary