

4.2.21 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

- I. **Call to order**
 - a. Piper calls the meeting to order finding a quorum fit to conduct business at 10:01 AM.
 - b. In compliance with 91-A, emergency orders, and publicly noticed.
 - c. Horgan calls the roll: Omer Ahern, David Berry, Mark Brave (via Bower proxy), Ben Champagne, Chris Coates, Suzanne Collins, Ross Cunningham (via Trachy proxy), Andrew Dorsett, Robert Englund, Derek Ferland, Jennifer Fish, George Hebert, Jason Henry, Kathryn Kindopp, Carolyn Kirby, Alison Kivikoski, Matt Lagos, Sara Lewko, Julie Libby, George Maglaras (via Bower proxy), Laura Mills, Ben Nelson, Chuck Nickerson, Toni Pappas, Wendy Piper, Ted Purdy, David Ross (via Pappas proxy), Cathy Stacey, Deanna Rollo (via Bower proxy), Bob Rowe, Tom Tombarello (via Chirichiello proxy) Stuart Trachy, Sheryl Trombly, Tom Velardi (via Bower proxy), Robert Watson (via Bower proxy), Kara Wyman (via Trachy proxy)
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
 - a. Ferland leads the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. **Thank Partners**
 - a. Duchesne explains that Partners have been invited to attend EC meetings to speak as the April reception was cancelled.
- IV. **Usource 2020 – 2021 Silver Partner Presentation – Maureen Callahan**
 - a. Callahan presents on their renewable energy consulting, solar for NH counties, community solar overview and the solar process. Steve Birndorf also presented on the value of solar.
- V. **Approval of past meeting minutes (3.5.2021)**
 - a. Piper presents the minutes from the March 5, 2021 meeting of the Committee. Collins makes a **MOTION** to approve the minutes. Lewko **SECONDS** the **MOTION**. Piper invokes unanimous consent. Seeing no objection, the **MOTION PASSES**.
- VI. **Financial update – Sue Collins**
 - a. Collins presents the financials noting that 4 counties have already paid their dues. Received an unexpected payment from NACo from a check lost in 2018. Expenses are very few. Collins reports the Association is in good financial shape. Henry makes a **MOTION** to accept the report. Nickerson **SECONDS** the **MOTION**. Piper invokes unanimous consent. Hearing no objection, the **MOTION PASSES**.
- VII. **Executive Committee appointments**
 - a. Horgan explains she is working with Carroll County to fill their vacant seat. There are no other vacancies.
- VIII. **Strategic Planning Committee update – Derek Ferland**
 - a. Ferland reports that the Committee met on March 22 to discuss how to focus future efforts.

IX. County-State Finance Committee update – Ted Purdy

- a. Purdy explains that the Committee last met on March 22 to review budget neutrality factors and the 3% increase in FMAP. The next meeting will be April 26 where they will discuss the FMPA increase, ARPA, and ProShare updates.

X. NHAC Academy Coordinator

- a. Henry explains that a previously scheduled interview did not work out, though some new candidates are surfacing. The 114th Academy is set to begin April 19 with a different proctor for each week.

XI. State Government updates

- a. Monahan explains that the budget is headed to the House floor next week and is likely to be a close vote though will likely pass. Budget includes county cap at 2% increase. The Senate will have the budget through early June.
- b. Henry makes a **MOTION** to oppose HB 111. Shackett **SECONDS** the **MOTION**. Piper invokes unanimous consent. Hearing no objection, the **MOTION PASSES**.
- c. Dorsett makes a **MOTION** to support HB 315. Nickerson **SECONDS** the **MOTION**. Piper invokes unanimous consent. Hearing no objection, the **MOTION PASSES**.

XII. ARPA Proposal

- a. Monahan explains the proposal and that the Dupont Group would develop rules for the funds, unbundle the potential amounts, track federal legislation and agency guidance. Each county would offer a representative as a liaison to the Dupont Group. The Dupont Group proposes weekly meetings with representatives and monthly webinars for all to join.
- b. Horgan explains that the Officers voted for the discussion to continue on this contract and that the Executive Committee meet again on April 16 at 1:00 PM.
- c. Kirby explains that much of the ARPA work may be included in the existing scopes of work and that NACo may provide enough resources on this. Stacey also explains that NACo resources are already available and that existing contracts already cover this work.
- d. Ahern asks that the Dupont Group reach out to the NH federal delegation on how they plan to allocate funds in NH.
- e. Bower explains that Strafford county supports the proposal as presented.
- f. Kirby asks for more refinements and definition of deliverables.
- g. Piper would like to learn more about what counties do not have to do.

XIII. Affiliate updates

- a. Corrections: Iosue explains no developments of great significance.
- b. Commissioners Council: Englund reports no developments of great significance.
- c. County Attorneys: no update.
- d. Deeds: Stacey explains that the Affiliate last met on March 23 to review legislation and does not plan to meet again until September.
- e. Sheriffs: no update.

- f. Human Resources: Alison Kivikoski was not present but provided an emailed update: “The HR Affiliate Group met that month, however, due to connectivity issues the meeting was disrupted and it was not able to be completed in its entirety. We have an April 16th meeting and will discuss the Annual Survey; information to capture, timeline of completion, distribution of information.”
- g. Nursing homes: Lagos explains continued weekly meetings and weekly public health calls – though changing to 2x per month. Relaxed visitation guidelines from CMS. Watching studies for how long the vaccine lasts.
- h. Administrators: Horgan explains that the administrators continue to meet weekly and met this week with Henry Lipman to discuss ProShare.

XIV. Other business

- a. Explains that the newsletter has gone out, though some counties did not receive the emails due to firewalls. The newsletter is available on the NHAC website resources page.
- b. Piper explains exclusion of inmates from Medicaid because of the suspension of federal benefits for incarcerated persons. There have been recent efforts to correct this as funds are filled by the applicable local governments.

XV. Next meeting

- a. The next meetings will be April 16 at 1:00 PM and May 7 at 10:00 AM.

XVI. Adjournment

- a. Henry makes a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting. Dorsett **SECONDS** the **MOTION**. Invokes unanimous consent. The **MOTION PASSES**.

Minutes prepared by Danielle Duchesne on April 2, 2021.

Minutes approved on _____.