

**Minutes from the 1998 Annual Business Meeting held in
Anaheim, CA
November 17-19, 1998
Council of State Social Studies Specialists
Business Meeting**

Wednesday, November 18, 1997

- Meeting officially called to order at 9:00 am by President Karen R. Todorov
- Minutes for the 1997 CS4 Annual meeting for 1997-99 were presented.

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved

- Treasury report given by John LeFeber
 - In our NCSS account we have \$4005.55
 - In our CS4 account we have \$1978.65

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved

NOTE: please note that Nancy Brown, Junior Achievement supported the purchase of our meeting bags and the programs for the 1998 Annual Meeting

- Please send Nancy Brown e-mails or notes to thank Junior Achievement for the support of CS4

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved

- Minutes will be posted on the homepage
 - 1997 Minutes http://www.nde.state.ne.us/SS/cs4_1997.html
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- Thank you offered to John LeFeber for his work on the secretary/treasurer tasks
- Karen R. Todorov shared that NCSS has held an opening on their committees for CS4 members. Being on this committee is a 3 year commitment and may mean missing CS4 activities for 3 years
- Barbara Patty offered a motion that CS4 would appoint members to the following committees:
 - Assessment
 - Curriculum
 - Instruction
 - Teachers Education and Professional Development
- Peggy Altoff noted that NCSS is making an attempt to spread out the meetings to meet the needs of its members. Peggy also suggested that we consider the posture of "include but not limited to."
- Marjorie Menzi feels that any connection with NCSS is better than none at all.
- NCSS does expect people to attend their respective committee.
- Connie Manter-Miller would continue to serve, but said that maybe CS4 could have some input on the day and time of the meetings.
- Marcie Talyor-Toma shared that the Instruction committee did reschedule their meeting

- Marjorie Menzi offered that committee members need to tell NCSS that CS4 members are willing to serve but need to recognize that our CS4 meetings need to take precedent when conflicts with committee meetings.

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved

- Jim Wetzler offered the Nomination committees slate of CS4 officers for the 1998-99 year
 - President-elect - Marianne Kenney
 - Secretary/Treasurer - John LeFeber
 - Director (2 year term) - Sharon Flack
 - Directory (1 year term) - Susan Temple
- Karen R. Todorov presented the request from Diane Brooks, Ira Clark, Doug Robertson, and Brenda Smith to be considered Associate Members

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved (with glee)
- Karen R. Todd offered a welcome to our new CS4 members:
 - Esther Dunnagan
 - JoAnn Grenier
 - Wendell Bourne
- Condolences to Gwen Hutcheson whose mother passed away.
- Thank you was offered to Michael Fischer for the help in planning this years meeting.

Thursday, 19 November 1998

Business meeting resumed at 9:00 by Karen R. Todorov

Old Business

- Reminder of the four CS4 officers positions
- Additional items to add to the agenda
- Nominations process for NCSS
- We need to update the survey for state social studies.
 - John LeFeber will send each state a copy of what has been the status in the past.
 - Please E-mail or send to John LeFeber your revisions on disk. We will be doing an update of what each state is doing in social studies education -- limited to one or two paragraphs.
 - This will be done electronically, via email (send to John LeFeber - jlefeber@nde4.nde.state.ne.us.)
 - Or on disk (mail to John LeFeber, Nebraska Department of Education, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE 68509)
- Progress on White Page
 - Lewis Huffman shared that there is a need to record a statement of advocacy for our jobs and social studies
 - Lewis offered to continue chair this committee of:
 - Warren Solomon

- Marcie Taylor-Toma
- Karen R. Todorov
- Marjorie Menzi
- JoAnn Grenier
- Suggestion was made that this white paper might be useful as we educate our state legislatures and chief state school officers, and superintendent

New Business

- Request for further nominations - there were none so nominations for 1998-99 CS4 Board was closed.

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved

- Vote on nominated officers for CS4

President-elect	Marianne Kenney
Director	Sharon Flack
	Susan Temple

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved with a Thank-you

- Amendment to include John LeFeber as Secretary/Treasurer

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved

- Questioned raised about the creation of a Nominating Committee

- Karen R. Todorov suggested that we self-nominate

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| ▪ Karen Todorov | Chair |
| ▪ Marcie Taylor-Thoma | Northeast |
| ▪ JaAnn Grenier | Northeast |
| ▪ Jeanne Haney | Southeast |
| ▪ Pat Concannon | Mountain states |
| ▪ Marjorie Menzi | Far west |

- Reports of Committees

- Marcie Taylor-Thoma Instruction
- Mary Fortney International Affairs
- Joann Farrish Prewitt Curriculum Committee

- Discussion on a CCSSO survey that was mailed to states. This survey was to be of Social Studies classroom practices.

- Discussion was held on future topics for CS4 to explore:

- Virtual High School, Michael Odom and John Fisher
- Reading in the content area
- NAPE standards on Civics
- Technology sessions
- Joint session with CUFA and/or NSSSA

- Discussion on Sharon Flack's brochure for CS4, an editing committee was formed to review the content on the brochure and marketing strategies

- Sharon Flack, John LeFeber
- Esther Dunnegan

- Eugene Earsom
- Wendell Bourne
- JoAnn Grenier
- Diane Brooks
- Warren Solomon
- Dan Gregg
- Michael Simpson from NCSS distributed a questionnaire and discussed the book center and the resources offered.
- Discussion was held on the role that CS4 plays in the endorsement of NCSS candidates. The following suggestions were made
 - CS4 could invite the candidate to come to a breakfast and share their position
 - CS4 could seek info and not endorse, this info should be shared with all CS4 members
 - CS4 could invite the candidate to write a paragraph on their position and share that with CS4 membership
 - CS4 could establish objectives and then ask the candidates to attach themselves to our objectives
 - CS4 could develop a list of issues/concerns for the candidates to address.
- CS4 membership called for a vote for non-endorsement of NCSS candidates

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved

Business meeting resumed at 3:25 pm by Barbara Patty

- A request was made to check the directory for accuracy
- A suggestion was made that we develop a new member mentoring system
- A request was made that CS4 continue to promote and support NCSS leadership
- A request was made to check out what states are using Eisenhower funding
- An evaluation of the 1998 CS4 Annual Meeting was completed
- Meeting officially adjourned at 3:40 pm by President Karen R. Todorov

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved