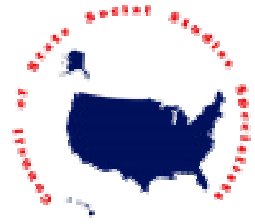


Minutes from the 2001 Annual Business Meeting held in Washington, D.C. November 13 - 15, 2001 Council of State Social Studies Specialists



Wednesday, November 14, 2000

Meeting officially called to order at 10:00 am by President Michael Odom

- ✓ Recognition and welcome of new CS4 members
 - Cricket Kidwell, CA
 - Colleen Bryant, VA
 - Peggy Rentschler, OH
 - Charles Macunasn, CT
 - Steven Weber, AR
 - Dan Prinzing, ID
 - Chris McGrew, IN
 - Jennifer Nance, MS
- ✓ Minutes for the 2000 CS4 Annual meeting were presented.

Motion made, Seconded, and Approved

- ✓ Treasury report for the 2000 -2001 year was presented
 - ✓ In the NCSS account there is \$3816.04
 - ✓ In the CS4 account there is \$878.65

Motion made, Seconded, and Approved

- ✓ Minutes will be posted on the homepage
 - 2001 Minutes <http://www.cssss.org/minutes/2001.pdf>
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- ✓ Thank you offered to our sponsors for the 2001 CS4 Annual Meeting was offered by Michael Odom
 - Presidential Classroom
 - Newsweek
 - People of America Foundation
 - National Council on Economic Education
 - Cram
 - History Alive! Teacher's Curriculum Institute
 - Glencoe/McGraw Hill
 - The Bill of Rights Institute

Old Business

- ✓ Character Education position statement – tabled
- ✓ Affiliation with NCSS
 - Membership discussion
 - Control of fiscal affairs.
 - Recommendation made to transfer funds to NCSS, retain our status as an associated group, and retain our constitutional bylaws.

Motion made, Seconded, and Discussed

- Recommendation made to table discussion

Motion made, Seconded and Approved

The 2001 business meeting was suspended until 4:00 meeting

The 2001 business meeting resumed at 4:00 pm by President Michael Odom

- ✓ Marcie Taylor-Thoma reviewed the program and thanks was offered to Marcie for all of her hard work in planning this years meeting.
- ✓ Discussion on membership status of CS4 members
 - Membership attendance of meal functions
 - Representation of CS4 at meetings i.e. NCSS meetings
- ✓ The 2001 business meeting was suspended until the next day.

Thursday, 15 November 2001

Business meeting resumed at 8:45 by President Michael Odom

- ✓ A thanks was offered to John LeFeber for the web presence of CS4
- ✓ A motion was made to review the Character Education position paper at a later date.

Motion made, Seconded and Approved

Nominating Committee

The Executive board offered the Nomination committee's slate of CS4 officers for the 2001 – 2002 year

- ✓ President-elect – Pat Concannon, NM (2002)
- ✓ Mary Ann Soboleski, HI (2002)
- ✓ Director – Robin Chandler (2003)

Opened for nominations from the floor – none offered

Motion made, Seconded, and Approved

The Executive offered the following names to be considered as associate members

- ✓ Warren Solomon, MO
- ✓ Kent Minor, OH
- ✓ Mary Fortney, IN
- ✓ Eric Goldman, VA

Motion made, Seconded, and Approved

NCSS Committee Assignments

- Assessment committee – Gail Tomala, CT
- Membership committee – Larry Starr, NE
- Nominating and Election committee – Eugene Earsom, OK
- Curriculum committee – Michael Odom, FL
- Instruction committee – Robin Chandler, KY
- International Activities committee – Faith Fogel, NH
- Professional Development/Teacher Education committee – Donna Nesbit
- FASSE committee – Brenda Smith, CO (elected) Steven Weber, AR
- NCSS Revitalizing Citizenship Education Task Force – Dan Gregg, CT
- Research committee – Judy Butler, GA

Discussion on dues for CS4

- ✓ Presently the dues for CS4 are \$20.00 for membership and then a \$20.00 administrative fee is charged for those members attending the annual meeting.
- ✓ NCSS has expressed concern with us charging an administrative fee for the annual meeting.
- ✓ Several solutions were discussed:
 1. To continue as we have done for 40 plus years.
 2. To raise the membership fee to \$40.00 per year
 - This would cover the \$20.00 membership fee and the \$20.00 administrative fee.
 - Discussion was held on this option with the thought that this was placing a burden on members who rarely attend the meeting

3. To raise the membership fee to \$30.00 per year
 - This would cover the \$20.00 membership fee and provide a \$10.00 administrative fee for the annual meeting.
 - Discussion was held on this option with the thought that this was a good compromise and would provide us with operating expenses and not place an undue burden on the membership.
 - Suggestion was made that the membership fee would have enough flexibility to fit with the individual reimbursement procedures of members.

New Business

- ✓ Motion was made to establish a Conference Planning Manual for planning the Annual meeting – Marcie Taylor-Thoma offered to write the manual.

Motion made, Seconded, and Approved

- ✓ Observation was made that we need to be respectful of our constitution in respect to officers and membership status.
 - Motion was made to make the Secretary/Treasurer position an appointed position.

Motion made, Seconded, and Failed

- A Friendly amendment was offered
 - That the position of Secretary/Treasurer position be replaced by a paid position entitled Executive Secretary

Previous Language

ARTICLE II: OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Section 4: Secretary-treasurer

The Secretary-treasurer shall take and keep minutes of all Council and Executive Committee meetings; preserve all documents and records of the Council and transmit them to the successor; keep a record of membership; receive all monies of the Council and provide for their safekeeping; pay all authorized bills and keep an accurate and current record of all receipts and expenditures of Council funds; make reports at the annual meetings; and shall perform other duties given by the President and/or the Executive Committee. The term of office of the Secretary-treasurer shall be for two years.

Constitution as amended

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Motioned, Seconded, and Approved

- ✓ Discussion on membership status and the holding of office and representation of matters relative to CS4.

The 2001 business meeting was suspended until the 4:30 pm.

Business meeting resumed at 4:20 pm by President Michael Odom

- ✓ Motion made to increase the membership dues from \$20.00 to \$30.00 and to discontinue the \$20.00 meeting administrative fee.

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved

- ✓ Motion made to increase the payment for the Executive Secretary from \$250.00 to \$500.00.

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved

- ✓ Motion made to amend the constitution to reflect membership and officer status.

- Several proposals were presented:

- **Addition to Section 7**

- Section 7

If the president-elect, a member-at-large, or a director leaves his/her job as a state social studies specialist during the term of office, that president-elect, member-at-large or director shall complete the term, but may not stand for re-election, but may request associate membership in the organization.

Motioned, Seconded, and Failed

- **Creation of Section 8**

- Section 8

If the president leaves his/her job as a state social studies specialists during the term of office he/she must resign the position as president. The Executive Committee shall make an interim appointment to serve the balance of the unexpired term.

Motioned, Seconded, and Failed

- **Addition to Article III Section 1**

- Article III Section 1 Clause 3

At the time of their election, members of the Executive Committee shall be regular members of the Council. If, during his/her term of office, a member of the Executive Committee becomes ineligible for regular membership, he/she shall continue to serve in his/her elected capacity until the next annual meeting, when a successor regular member shall be elected to complete the term of office.

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved

Previous Language

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- ✓ Michael Odom commended everyone who worked on a very successful meeting.

Meeting officially adjourned at 4:55 pm by President Michael Odom

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved