



**Minutes from the 2007 Annual Business Meeting
held in San Diego, CA
November 27 -29, 2007**



Council of State Social Studies Specialists

Wednesday, 28 November 2007

Meeting officially called to order @ 9:45 am by President Lewis Huffman

- Lewis Huffman offered a welcome to San Diego, CA. and CS4's 42nd annual meeting
- Welcome and recognition of new members and new attendees
 - Virginia Moore, OH
 - Dusty Schockly, NE
 - Paula Goss, OH
 - Vicki Yates, AR
 - Jolene Ethridge, NC
 - Rick Reynolds, OR
 - Brenda Robertson, SD
 - Steve Molinari, NC
 - Chanda Robinson, SC
- Lewis expressed words of welcome and appreciation for our support of social studies and CS4
- Lewis expressed CS4's recognition and appreciation for the sponsors that support our annual meeting.
 - Holt, Rinehart and Winston
 - Newsweek Education Program
 - Gibbs Smith, Publisher
 - TCI/Bringing Learning Alive!
 - Nystrom
 - Verizon Foundation/Thinkfinity.org
 - McDougal Littell
 - The National Council on Economic Education
- Minutes for the 2006 CS4 Annual meeting were presented by John LeFeber.

Motion made to accept, seconded,

Discussion

- Correction – add Leslie Skinner, SC to the Assessment Committee
- Correction – add Marilyn Palmer, NC to the Awards and FASSE Committee

and approved

- Minutes will be posted on the homepage at the following URL <http://www.cs4online.org/minutes.html>

- Treasury status presented by John LeFeber

Motion made to receive, seconded,

Discussion

- At this point CS4 and NCSS are discussing and clarifying the status of the CS4 account within the NCSS account. There have been some inconsistencies between our accounting and NCSS accounting. John LeFeber will attend a meeting with NCSS and the affiliated groups to discuss accounting and investing of affiliated group finances

and approved

- Committee Reports were requested and discussed
 - **Awards and FASSE committee** has been represented by Ken Relehan, NH
 - The FASSE committee discussed with local council
 - The awards committee spent time talking about the mechanics, evaluation and guidelines for the awards – specifically the McAuliffe award – open to Elementary
 - Marilyn Palmer, NC volunteered to serve on the Awards and FASSE committee
 - The **Nomination committee** is represented by Cricket Kidwell, CA
 - The **Instruction committee** was represented by Bill Cranshaw, GA
 - The committee worked on a position paper
 - The **Research and Publications** have been represented by Judy Butler, GA
 - The **Research committee** was represented by Larry Paska, NY
 - Topics that were discussed ranged from HQT to research topics that can be used by social studies teachers
 - The **Academic committee** was represented by Donna Shouse, KY
 - The committee spent time discussing teacher awards for academic excellence
 - The **Teacher Education and Professional Development** committee was represented by Mark Kopp, KY
 - NCLB and its emphasis on social studies was discussed
 - The **Membership committee** is represented by Michelle Ungurait, TX and she requested to be replaced
 - JoAnn Larson, NY and Leslie Skinner, SC volunteered to represent CS4 on the **Assessment committee**.
- Lewis Huffman thanked the membership for the effort to represent
- Bill Cranshaw suggested that a letter from the CS4 President – basically supporting the appointment to a NSCSS committee

Moved, seconded, and approved

- Highly Qualified Teacher Update discussion
- Chauncey Spears, MS requested information on how Economics is dealt with in respect to certification
- New York has a Social Studies endorsement
- Robert Austin, UT suggested that this topic be considered for the "Open Space"
 - Bill Cranshaw, GA working on a position paper
 - Beth Ratway, WI discussion of crosswalk of standards with position statement

The 2007 business meeting was suspended @ 10:40 a.m. until Business Session II

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Business session II resumed by President Lewis Huffman @ 1:35 pm

- NCLB and it's impact on Social Studies was discussed
- No further old business – Lewis Huffman proceeded to entertain new business.
- Discussion on CS4's participation with the NCSS House of Delegates
 - Stephanie Hartman volunteered to be the CS4 representative with the NCSS HOD
- Requests for Associate membership status
 - Michelle Ungurait, NC
 - Chris McGrew, IN

Moved, seconded, and approved

- Requests for Organizational membership status
 - Rick Reynolds, Inspiration
 - Jesse Weisz, geoo.org

Moved, seconded, and approved

- Voting privileges for Associate members was discussed
 - Lewis Huffman provided background to the Associate status issue
 - There was discussion of a constitutional amendment
 - Robert Austin, UT moved to table the discussion and have the Executive board explore

Moved, seconded, and approved

- Lewis Huffman thanked the nomination committee for their help and presented their slate for the 2007-2008 Executive Board
 - Maggie Herrick, AR for President Elect (1 year)
 - Robert Austion, UT for Director (2 years)
 - Bill Cranshaw, GA for Member at Large (3 years)
 - Nominations from the floor: none
 - Moved to accept present slate of officers

Moved, seconded, and approved

- Thank you was offered to John LeFeber for what he does to keep CS4 connected
- Brief discussion about how NCSS invests our funds and a request from CUFA to have NCSS explore alternative investment strategies that would benefit the affiliate organizations
- Request made for any suggestions for next years meeting were to be passed on to the newly elected Executive Board
- Noted in the minutes that Karen Todorov, MI and Dale Greenawald, CO were not in attendance and wanted the membership to know that they missed attending and wanted to attend but were unable to.
- Allan Kullen, MD wanted the minutes to reflect the appreciation of the CS4 membership for the leadership that Lewis Huffman has exercised in his role on the Executive Board and as this years President.
- The domain for CS4 is <http://www.cs4online.org> and the discussion board address is www.cs4online.org/phpBB3/

Meeting officially adjourned @ 2:20 pm by President Lewis Huffman

Motion made to adjourn, seconded, and approved