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## Council Meeting Minutes December 21, 2009 1:30 PM

### Attending

#### Council

Edith Cooper  
George Goldsmith  
Wayne Rabideau  
Angie Decker  
John Wolf  
Nick LaMorte  
Lorraine Arrow  
Suzanne Maloney

#### Federations

Tom Decoursey  
Joe Gustella  
Deb Hutchins  
Regina Hendrix  
Bill Galvin  
Cindy Tarleton  
Susan Hager  
Marilyn Wilson  
Melinda Merante  
Sandy Mitchell  
Kevin Kentish  
Kathy Pellham

Meeting called to order at 1:42 PM

- 1) Approval of November Meeting Minutes
  - a) George Goldsmith asked for approval of the minutes
    - i) Bill Galvin asked for a statement attributed to him be stricken from the minutes.
    - ii) George Goldsmith approved request.
  - b) John Wolf seconded the approval of the minutes with requested change.
  - c) Nick LaMorte third, approved.
- 2) George Goldsmith requested a vote to seat the Council members.
  - b) Council Voted to Seat George Goldsmith as Chair all were in favor, unanimously approved.
  - c) George requested the Council vote to Seat John Wolf as Vice Chair, all were in favor, unanimously approved.
- 3) George Goldsmith called for approval of the nominations of Council members by local committees, unanimously approved.
  - b) 2010 Council seated.
- 4) George Goldsmith reported on the progress of the Council's work to date.
  - b) Base Database is implemented.
    - i) Many inaccuracies in data requested from SEFA Coordinators and Federations was found in 2009 but it is believed that as the remaining two years of recertification will correct any missing or incomplete data.
    - ii) Federation members expressed concern about the format of the Database online.
    - iii) Suzanne Maloney explained that this was a database and as such could be asked to display the data in any way. The additional "searches" had not yet been developed due to budget constraints.

- iv) George Goldsmith further clarified that the data in the database had be derived from data from the SEFA Coordinators and Federations. He had worked with Suzanne in reviewing the data and communicating with the Federations and Coordinators to get the correct data.
- v) Tom Decoursey requested that the statewide list be displayed along with the local data.
- vi) Suzanne said it could and that she was very happy to speak with anyone regarding their concerns and help were she could.
- c) Application and recertification process completed and were successful.
- 5) Applications Update for 2010 Campaign
  - b) Suzanne Maloney reported that there had only been about 25 applications received to date. She would be sending the same type of report to the federations and SEFA coordinators for their review.
- 6) Term Limit Delay Vote
  - b) George Goldsmith requested a second on the Delay of the term limits for SEFA Council members.
  - c) Nick LaMorte Seconded.
  - d) No discussion
  - e) Unanimously approved.
- 7) NYC Progress
  - b) George Goldsmith reported that the new York City Campaign was behind.
  - c) Suzanne Maloney reported attempts to reach Michelle Matheson in NYC UW but had not received a call back.
  - d) Kevin Kentish reported that they were working on the brochure and getting campaign materials to the agencies.
- 8) Time Extension for NYC campaign
  - b) Kevin Kentish requested an extension on their campaign until mid to late February.
  - c) The Council members discussed and decided that the end of January was enough time.
  - d) Unanimously approved.
- 9) Niagara Frontier Issues
  - b) An attempt to hold a conference call with the Niagara Frontier Committee was underway. No one from that committee was available until after the holidays. The call was to discuss cross boundary campaigning and appropriate distribution of funds.
- 10) Approval of Budget Reallocation
  - b) George Goldsmith outlined reallocation of remaining funds for the 2009 SEFA Council Budget.
  - c) Joe Guastella asked if this was simply reallocation, George Goldsmith affirmed.
  - d) John Wolf Seconded.
  - e) Nick LaMorte carried.
  - f) He requested an extension on their campaign until mid to late February.
  - g) The Council members discussed and decided that the end of January was enough time.
  - h) Unanimously approved.
- 11) George Goldsmith reported on the SEFA Three year plan and future of SEFA
  - i) UWGCR Support George clarified that the UWGCR had not yet made any formal agreement with the Council, but that they were willing to discuss what that relationship might become.
  - ii) Training of Coordinators & Committees Suzanne Maloney Discussed how the training for this year was being developed and that she would be sending a calendar of conference calls and training dates.
  - iii) Council & Cabinet training Suzanne Maloney Discussed how the training for this year was being developed and that she would be sending a calendar of conference calls and training dates.
- 12) The Council adjourned to discuss the single response to the Council's RFP at 3:15 PM.