## **Statewide SEFA Council**



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SEFA Statewide Council Meeting – via conference call – Oct 19, 2017

Council members present: Tom Wickerham, Bill Ferguson, Cornelia Mead. Others: Director, Laurelee Dever.

There being no quorum, items were reviewed for information only.

Tom Wickerham - Report from the Chair

- minutes from August face-to-face meeting, very successful meeting.
- Question about "authorization" Laurelee had distributed letter from Unions and also Governors Director of State Operations - this should be shared as needed to serve as authorization for employees to participate as volunteers in the campaign
- Stressed again the need to recruit volunteers for local committees
- Tom presented status of regions with no FCCM.
- Tom reiterated proposed changes to the SEFA policies. If anyone has comments, send them to Tom. Possibly plan to review at the January meeting?
- Council has approved some budget approvals via email in between meetings.

## Director's Update - Laurelee

- Recertifications 727 now received, some are duplicates from charities who had to do multiple times.
- Have sent out notifications to unaffiliated charities (1700) reminding them they need to recertify. 200 emails bounced back, she is working to get current contact information. If they decide not to recertify, at least we can say we contacted them.
- Reminder that doing a 990-EZ will disqualify them, they need to do a 990 pro forma.
- Spoke to Atty at OGS yesterday, they are finalizing the RFA's for FCCM's to bid on available regions.
- Extending SEFA to retirees we will NOT be able to move forward with this for 2018, since we only have 7 names signed up (of 50 needed). Asked that people continue to enter names of interested retirees on the web site.
- E-pledge, no major issues dealing with daily password recoveries and duplicate pledges, etc.
- Application period opens Dec 1, Laurelee wants to form a committee to evaluate applications after the period closes on January 15. Wants to develop a form to present the info summarized and also with detail available. Kathy Snow, Melissa, also a council member?
- New finance manager at UWGCR, introduced David Scott.

## Bill Ferguson - finance committee report

- August invoice from UWGCR was approved via email by the Council \$10,882.53.
- \$15,770.93 cash on hand at end of August.

• Outstanding receivable from 2016, has now been collected (\$55.56), allows us to close 2016 budget year.

Meeting adjourned 2:18pm

Respectfully submitted, Cornelia Mead Secretary