



Council Executive Committee

Location: Embassy Suites Nashville Airport
Embassy Boardroom
10 Century Blvd., Nashville, TN 37214
Date: Thursday, April 27, 2017
Time: 3:00 P.M. CDT/4:00 P.M. EDT

Present: Tommy Lee Kidd, Serina Gilbert, Evan Espey, Lisa Johnson, Tecia Puckett Pryor
Staff: Wanda Willis, Lynette Porter, JoEllen Fowler

Tommy Lee Kidd, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:09 p.m.

- 1) **Review Executive Committee Agenda; Approve Minutes**
Tommy Lee reviewed the Executive Committee agenda.

Lisa moved to approve the April 18, 2017 Executive Committee minutes as written. Evan seconded. Approved.

- 2) **Support Development Associates proposal for People Planning Together (PPT)**
Wanda reviewed the Executive Committee Talking Points for bringing the Support Development Associates (SDA) proposal to provide People Planning Together training for the MCOs to the full Council for a vote. Council members received a summary of the proposal in advance. Tommy Lee will sum up the proposal and Evan will bring a motion from the Executive Committee to approve funding, then Tommy Lee will call for a vote.

- 3) **Federal Budget Cut Planning**
Wanda introduced the document staff created for planning in the event that the Council receives a federal budget cut. There is the possibility of a cut for the current year, which we are half way through, and for a cut next year.

Hopefully the current year will be level funded – staff are proceeding as if that were true. Next year there may be as much as a 15-20% cut across the board. After the President presents his budget, Congress reviews, modifies and passes the final budget. Any cuts would impact the Council beginning next summer (2018).



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Lynette reviewed the federal budget cut planning which accounts for the possibility of anywhere from a 5% to a 25% cut. Our reserves will help us sustain cuts up to about 12%, but after that the Council will have a shortfall. The reserve dollars are non-recurring. She then reviewed what budget items we would focus on keeping and options for reductions. If there really is a cut, staff will work with the actual percentage and communicate with the Executive Committee before anything is final.

4) **Council Member Nominees for the Governor's Office**

Wanda reviewed Council member positions we are looking at reappointing or newly appointing in July. Lynette and Wanda have been recruiting nominees but need more in order to provide the Governor's office with 2 nominees for each position. They will talk to the Governor's office about our recommendations in mid-May. Lynette shared that there are some great perspective members. Staff are targeting people with disabilities and people from minority ethnic or cultural backgrounds because we want to have a good diverse group.

Wanda will send a bullet list of characteristics of good Council members and development district maps to Executive Committee members to help them think about potential nominees. Please send Wanda any names.

5) **Review April 28th Council Meeting Agenda**

Wanda reviewed the April 28th Council meeting agenda. Tommy Lee will facilitate the first part of the Council meeting until we break for Committees and Serina will facilitate the rest of the meeting.

6) **Cancel May 2nd Executive Committee Call**

Lisa moved to cancel the May 2nd Executive Committee call. Evan seconded. Approved.

At 4:21 p.m. Serina moved for adjournment. Evan seconded. Approved.

Next call: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 11 a.m. Central/12 noon Eastern

Next meeting: Thursday, September 14, 2017 at 3 p.m. Central/4 p.m. Eastern

Prepared by: JoEllen Fowler, Administrative Assistant

Approved by: Wanda Willis, Executive Director