# Executive Council Meeting Agenda 09-18-02

## 1. Introductions

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President
Pres-Elect
Past Pres.
Secretary
Treasurer
Membership
Legislative
Pres-Elect
Diann Shuffett
Carl Myers
Michelle Gadberry
Karen Beavers
Connie Adams

Public Relations Stacie McCune V
NASP Delegate Jim Batts V

State Consultant Angela Wilkins ✓
Newsletter Editor Julie Pendley

• Ethics Chair/Webmaster Dan Florell

Regional Reps

1. Marty Dunham

2. Stacie McCuner

3. Mary Twohig V

4. Wendy Mullins V

Kandy Stroup√

6. Mary Margaret McNemar V

7/8. Karen Tuerk

- 2. Minutes from Previous Meeting (1-11-02)
- 3. Treasurer's Report
- Regional Reports
- 5. Committee Reports

 Conference Angie Chandler Membership David Taylor Legislative Connie Adams Public Relations Stacie McCune NASP Delegate Jim Batts State Consultant Angela Wilkins Newsletter Julie Pendley Ethics/Website Dan Florell

## 6. Old Business

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- LD Advisory Committee Jim Batts
  - i. Elect a new member (Bill Greenlee resigned)
  - ii. Additions to tables
  - iii. Meeting with Judy Mallory
- · Duane Miller Contract
- Contract with KASA
- Tax-Exempt status and Incorporation

# 7. New Business

- · Goals for the new term
  - i. Communication
  - ii. Membership packets
  - iii. KAPS as a resource
- · Election for Planning and Development Chair
- Dept. of Ed. report Angela Wilkins
- 8. Other Business

### KAPS EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 18, 2002

## MEMBERS PRESENT:

Angie Chandler, Diann Shuffett, Carl Myers, Duane Miller, Michelle Gadberry, Karen Beavers, David Taylor, Connie Adams, Stacie McCune, Jim Batts, Angela Wilkins, Dan Florell, Marty Dunham, Mary Twohig, Wendy Mullins, Kandy Stroup, Mary Margaret McNemar, and Karen Tuerk.

#### MINUTES:

Minutes from the last meeting (1-11-02) were reviewed and accepted (motion by Kandy Stroup, second by Carl Myers.)

#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

Karen Beavers, new treasurer, reported that as of June 30, 2002, KAPS has \$19, 258 in checking, \$3, 246 in a CD, and \$2, 211 in the Jennie Ewald Scholarship Fund, for a total assets of \$24, 715. Karen reported further that \$17, 080 is ready to be deposited from the conference (as of this date.) It was reported that due to earning over \$25, 000 this year, KAPS would have to file a tax return. It was proposed that an auditor be hired to do this (motion by Jim Batts, second by Angie Chandler.) This motion was approved.

#### REGIONAL REPORTS:

REGION 1: Marty Dunham reported that Region 1 has 30 members. Seven members were nominated for the regional award and a high voter turnout was seen.

REGION 2: Stacie McCune reported that she would meet with members on Thursday (9-19-02) and revamp the regional membership list.

REGION 3: Mary Twohig reported that Jefferson County has hired six new school psychologists. They now have a total of 40 school psychologists! KAPS members in Jefferson County held a "recruitment party" to encourage KAPS membership.

REGION 4: Wendy Mullins is attempting to organize a membership list and hopes to hold a fall meeting. REGION 5: Kandy Stroup is also attempting to update the membership list. She stated that Region 5 would also like to have a regional meeting/training this year and suggested that they may work together with another region on this

REGION 6: Mary Margaret McNemar reported that a late fall training is being planned on threat assessment procedures that are being developed in Madison County.

REGION 7/8: Karen Tucrk reported that the psychologists are networking more in regions 7 and 8. She also reported that school psychologists were recently involved in the development of district policies and procedures.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**: Angie Chandler reported that we had 85 attendees at the pre-conference workshop, 100 rooms reserved at the hotel, and 230 people have pre-registered for the conference. Overall expenditures have generally been low compared to previous conferences.

Discussion took place regarding awards - Angie Chandler reported that we have award winners this year in every category. It was also reported by Angie that there would not be a Keynote Speaker at the luncheon this year. Instead, officers and guests will address KAPS during the luncheon. Charter members will also be recognized due to it being KAPS 21st birthday. Connie Adams suggested that the luncheon be considered the business meeting for the year. This was agreed upon by all.

MEMBERSHIP: David Taylor reported that Beth Edmonson has helped him transition to his new role as membership chair. Discussion took place regarding the development of packets to send to new members outlining the advantages of membership. Angie Chandler requested that all members be sent this packet initially; it would then be sent only to new members. Assistance was requested from Connie Adams to provide legislative information, Jim Batts to provide NASP information, and Dan Florell to provide information about the website. Marty Dunham suggested that the responsibility to disseminate the packets eventually go to Regional Representatives, but Angie Chandler asked that the EC come together for a work session this year to do the initial assembly of packets. Discussion took place regarding how much money should be set aside to put together the membership packets. It was finally proposed by Dan Florell that we allot no more than \$3000 for this initial production of packets for all members. This motion was seconded by Jim Batts and passed by the EC membership.

Jim Batts asked about the status of the KAPS directory. Carl Myers reported that we have had some trouble with getting this done due to KASA administrative changes. However, he reported that it is done and a draft will be given out Thursday (9-19-02) and a final copy will be disseminated in December 2002. KASA will be completing the final copy.

Jim Batts noted that KAPS must continue to promote the benefits of KASA membership for KAPS members.

**LEGISLATIVE**: Connie Adams reported on several education bills of interest to school psychologists, including legislation related to marriage and family counselors and changes to teacher retirement benefits. Connie shared information from SPAN (School Psychology Action Network), including the website address for the President's Commission Report:

www.ed.gov/OSERS/OSEP/Products/OSEP2001AnlRpt/index.html

Discussion took place regarding the nine main findings of the Commission Report - KAPS members are encouraged to review this document for themselves regarding proposed changes to IDEA.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Stacie McCune reported that they have a few new things for sale, such as binders, new tote bags and lanyards. She also obtained keychains and business card holders that were given out to conference attendees. The binders have been selling well and she may order more to sell at the spring training if there is a demand.

NASP DELEGATE: Jim Batts reported that Diane Smallwood, NASP president, will be present on Friday and will discuss the status and future of NASP in her workshop. The NASP Southeast Conference will be held October 25, 26 and 27th in Tampa, Florida. Jim reported on the topics to be addressed at the conference, including the ASPIRE program on Saturday morning and the LD initiative/IDEA reauthorization/President's Commission Report and how this will influence school psychologists on Saturday afternoon. Jim reported that the KAPS president and NASP delegate are sent to this conference by NASP. It was noted that last year, the president-elect was also sent by KAPS. Carl Myers proposed that the president-elect be sent this year. Michelle Gadberry seconded the motion and the motion was passed by the EC.

STATE CONSULTANT: Angela Wilkins reported on CATS scores. She stated that many district's scores have moved very little - schools with high scores initially may now be in decline. Many may not get rewards due to too many novices. In some regions, Angela reported that 80% of disabled students are still in the novice range in all content areas.

Discussion took place regarding SB 168, which addresses closing achievement gaps, and the No Child Left Behind Act. Angela noted that the Department of Education has embraced the focus on student achievement and proficiency by 2014. She also reported that the Department is shifting its focus to student achievement for all departments – each department must show how they relate to achievement to justify their existence. Departments must work together collaboratively and staff will be working within schools more to help close the achievement gaps. Angela also discussed ways in which school psychologists can be involved in interpreting equity analysis that will be sent to districts in November and how school psychologists can help to reduce schools' dropout rates.

**NEWSLETTER**: Julie Pendley was not at the meeting, but requested that all summaries be submitted as soon as possible after the conference.

ETHICS/WEBSITE: Dan Florell reported that no ethical violations have been reported. Dan requested that members send information to him for the website. Discussion took place regarding how to improve the website, including what links should be provided. Dan reported that he would work on adding a few links to the site. Angie Chandler requested that regional reps promote the website as an information source for members.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

LD ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Bill Greenlee has resigned as chair due to health concerns. Discussion took place regarding the status of the discrepancy tables. Jim Batts reported that the state no longer has personnel to do the statistical analysis required. A proposal was developed last summer (2002) by Jim, Bill and Duane Miller suggesting that a university and a co-op supervise school psychologists in developing new tables as needed. Angela Wilkins stated that she would help this committee to get this proposal to the appropriate KDE staff member. Jim

stated additionally that he does not want to chair this committee, but will continue to coordinate for now.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY CONTRACT: Duane Miller's contract expired June 30, 2002. Connie Adams proposed that we increase the salary for this position. It is current \$15 per day, \$125 per day, with a maximum of \$5000 per year. Michelle Gadberry proposed that we increase the hourly salary to \$20 but keep the yearly maximum at \$5000. Connie Adams seconded this and the new contract was approved by the members of the EC.

KASA CONTRACT: We will continue to contract with KASA as needed for projects such as the directory.

TAX EXEMPT STATUS: Karen Beavers reported that we have gotten information on tax exempt status and are working toward this. KAPS is now incorporated.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

GOALS FOR NEW TERM: Angie Chandler requested that region reps continue to search out new psychologists and recruit for KAPS. Discussion took place regarding how to re-involve student members and whether student representatives should be elected again. Angie asked the university trainers to work together to develop a plan for involving student members in KAPS. She also reported that a new Planning and Development Chair must be appointed due to Bob Kruger resigning. The president will appoint someone to this position.

Angie noted that an award was begun several years ago as the "Distinguished Old Guy/Gal" award. It was decided that this award would be renamed to become the "Distinguished Service" award. Kandy Stroup suggested that this year, the previous winner and president should select a winner for this award. A motion was made to pass this proposal by Carl Myers and seconded by Marty Dunham. The motion was approved.

OTHER BUSINESS: Discussion of the Jennie Ewald Scholarship was tabled, as was discussion of the awards process. Carl Myers did report that Annelle White was chairing the Ewald committee. Angie Chandler suggested that the spring training be free (or at a nominal fee) for members this year. Possible locations (EKU, John Hardin HS in Elizabethtown, Nolin RECC in Elizabethtown) were discussed and will be investigated further as Angie plans the training.

Angie Chandler, President, stated that during her term she will be trying to get out across the state to more regional meetings and asks regional reps to email her about their meetings and trainings.

A motion for adjournment was made by Carl Myers and seconded by Wendy Mullins. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Gadberry KAPS Secretary