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MEETING MINUTES

January 7, 2016

10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Commissioners in Attendance

Jorja Armijo-Brasher

Nancy Hughes

Erin Atkins

Jennifer Riordan

Dustin Chavez

Charles Humiston

Patricia Lee Chavez

Georgetta Kwasniewski

Bernadine Dallago

Mathew Montoya

Alice Garza

Jennifer Riordan

Elaine Graff

2016 Ex-Officio Commission Members in Attendance

Curtis Cannon

Michael Garcia

Commission Staff in Attendance

Curtis Cannon, Executive Director

Logan Rice, Program Officer

Others

Catherine Casteel, CNCS State Office





Call to Order

Chair, Jennifer Riordan, called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM

Roll Call

Chair, Jennifer Riordan called roll.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were sent out to the Commission prior to the meeting. Chair, Jennifer Riordan asked if there were any corrections following no corrections the minutes were approved as distributed.

Commission Announcements:

Staff Announcements

Curtis Cannon announced that Logan Rice is the newly hired NMCCV Program Officer. The new NMCCV Outreach and Events Officer, Kristen Shueh, will be starting February 1st, 2016.

Programming Update

Program Year Close

Program Year 2014-2015 came to a close on August 31, 2015. NMCCV will be turning in reports to CNCS at the end October based on the previous program year.

City of Albuquerque Extension

The City of Albuquerque's program "Running Start for Careers" is in the process of being closed.

AppleTree Educational Center

AppleTree Educational Center's AmeriCorps program has been terminated due to the lack of capacity to properly manage AmeriCorps funds and members. The slots awarded to this program are attempting to be transferred to another Formula Funded subgrantee.

Out of State Travel

The NMCCV team and one or two commissioners will be traveling to Reno, Nevada on April 19th to the 21st.

Commission Support Grant Update

The Commission has been awarded the support grant with full funding.

CNCS State Office Announcements

Staff Announcements

Michael Garcia announced that the State CNCS Office is now fully staff with the addition of Program Officer **Kristin...**



MLK Service Day

Mr. Garcia passed out a complete list of service projects going on throughout the State for the MLK Day of Service. Mr. Garcia also announced that Senator Heinrich will be attending the event hosted by Southwest Youth Services and encouraged commissioners to attend.

Mayor's/County/ Tribal Day of Service

Mr. Garcia explained that this is a service event for elected officials to recognize National Service Participants serving in the State. This day is anticipated to take place on April 5th, 2016.

Legislative Announcement

Mr. Garcia stated that the Omnibus bill passed in the United States Congressional Session which outlined a nearly \$40 million increase in funding for National Service, more specifically AmeriCorps.

Cluster Conferences

Mr. Garcia encouraged commissioners to attend at least one cluster conference being held in various places throughout the country during the month of April. These conferences are meant to help inform and train Commissioners, Commission Staff, and National Service Participants.

AmeriCorps Week

Mr. Garcia anticipates that the AmeriCorps Week of Service will be sometime in mid to late March.

Committee Report Outs:

Each committee had a report out, the following are in addition to those individual reports:

Executive Committee

Commission Chair Riordan announced that the Executive Committee intends to establish a regular meeting at least 2 weeks before the Commission meeting. Commission Vice Chair Montoya announced that he is available to assist committee chair and vice chair needing his assistance.

Board Development Committee

Curtis Cannon presented this report out due to Commissioner Bruele's inability to serve. Commissioners Chavez, Atkins, and Riordan announced plans to contact various community members throughout the State to encourage them to become Commissioners. Commissioner Atkins announced that she would like to sit on this committee however is not able at this time to be the Chair of the committee. Overall the Commission has voiced concern over the age of the Commission and feel that there is a need to acquire more young people.

Community Outreach Committee

Committee Chair Patricia Lee Chavez announced that NMCCV has a spot on February 16th during the legislation session and determined that programs do indeed have a spot to set up their tables.



Commissioners have been encouraged to revitalize the “Governor’s Spotlight on Volunteers Conference”.

State Service Plan Taskforce

The commission was asked to provide feedback for the State Service Plan Draft which was passed out prior to roll call. This feedback will be submitted via survey which Logan Rice will be sending the Commission on Monday January 11th, 2016.

Grants Management and Program Development Committee

Committee Chair, Armijo-Brasher announced that 10 proposals were received for the Competitive Pool RFP, 7 of these were new and 3 of them were continuation grants. The Commission voted to pass through the 3 continuation applicants and submit 6 immediately following clarification to CNCS, while the University of New Mexico’s proposal should be held depending on quality of clarification response. The following is a list of applicants:

Continuation:

Teach for America
Rocky Mountain Youth Corps
EarthCare Cadre

New and Recompete:

The Wellness Coalition
NACA-Inspired School Network
Atrisco Heritage Foundation
EcoServants
Capacity Builders, Inc.
New Mexico Highlands University
Community Engagement Center, UNM

3 Year Funding

Mr. Cannon announced that NMDWS and the State has allowed the Commission to provide grants on a 3 year funding cycle for its Formula Funding Pool. Upon deliberation the Commission voted that the top 1/3 of applicants be offered 3 year funding and not all applicants be offered the option of 3 years of funding in order to mitigate risk.

Next Meeting Proposed

Jennifer Riordan proposed the next meeting for Friday March 4th, 2016 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM.

Meeting Adjourned

Chair, Jennifer Riordan adjourned the meeting at 12:00 PM.