



**Executive Committee Minutes
Minnesota Association of County Administrators
Conference Call
Friday, March 16, 2012
9:00 a.m.**

President, Sharon Hanson	<u> X </u>	At-Large, Bob Meyer	<u> X </u>
Vice President, Duane Hebert	<u> X </u>	At-Large, Nate Burkett	<u> X </u>
Treasurer, Deb Gruber	<u> X </u>	At-Large, Sara Folstad	<u> X </u>
Secretary, Luci Botzek	<u> </u>	AMC Staff, Beau Berentson	<u> X </u>
Past President, Molly O'Rourke	<u> X </u>		

- I. Call to order – Sharon Hanson, MACA President, 9:03 a.m.
- II. Approval of February Executive Committee minutes: Gruber moved to approve the minutes, O'Rourke second and unanimously approved.
- III. Legislative Update: Berentson gave an update on the legislative session and a review of proposed legislation impacting county governance and finance. Hebert asked about a bill that would allow Dodge County to appoint their Recorder position, but which was amended to require the appointed Recorder to face retention elections. Berentson said he was tracking the bill, and working with Dodge County on the issue.
- IV. Legislative Conference Agenda: President Hanson reviewed the agenda for the upcoming MACA meeting at the March 21 legislative conference. She confirmed Matt Smith from Dakota County would be presenting to the group. She asked that Executive Committee members contact her if they have ideas or suggestions for the meeting.
- V. MACA Input Process with Affiliates: President Hanson opened the meeting for discussion about the level of input MACA should have in the work and recommendations of the other affiliate organizations. There was discussion among the Executive Committee that MACA should have the opportunity to review policy recommendations that involve county revenue or expenses, though members believed that MACA should continue working with the other affiliates on this issue. President Hanson said that she would ask the affiliate panel at the upcoming March 21 MACA meeting about this issue.

- VI. June/July Summer One-Day MACA Learning Event: President Hanson asked the Executive Committee whether there was interest in moving forward with a one-day technical training event for MACA members to be held in June or July of 2013, or whether the Committee felt such an event could lower interest in MACA's October conference. The Executive Committee expressed support for a one-day training event in June or July. It was also noted that such an event could be a good venue to educate members on the MAGIC Act, if the Legislature passes the bill this session.
- VII. Committee Updates
- a. IGR: Folstad updated members on the plans for the affiliate panel at the upcoming legislative conference meeting.
 - b. Membership: Burkett discussed the proposed "white paper" topic list he had previously distributed to Committee members. Hebert moved to approve the topic list and Meyer moved to second the motion. The topic list was approved on a voice vote. Burkett also briefly discussed the development of a MACA "members only" website, and said he would introduce the website to the full MACA membership during the legislative conference meeting.
 - c. Professional Development: Hebert said he is gathering more information on potential trainers/speakers in all of the professional development areas, and said he hopes to have more information in the next few weeks.
- VIII. Minnesota Association of County Social Service Administrators Joint Board Meeting: President Hanson raised the idea of having a joint board meeting with members of MACA and members of the Minnesota Association of County Social Service Administrators (MACSSA). The Executive Committee settled on meeting with the MACSSA board on July 25, during MACSSA's regularly-scheduled Executive Committee meeting at AMC. Several members of the Executive Committee indicated they would be able to attend the joint board meeting.
- IX. Adjourn: President Hanson adjourned the meeting at 9:42 a.m.