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PA Compact Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

December 9, 2024

Name	Member Role	Voting Member	Attendance
Elizabeth Huntley	Minnesota Delegate	x	x
Larry Marx	Utah Delegate	x	x
Jamie Alley	West Virginia Delegate	x	x
Total voting members present			3/3= quorum
Marisa Courtney	Vice Chair PA Commission		
Sandra Harrison	OK ED		
Kathy Scarbalis	Ex-Officio – AAPA		x
Tim Terranova	Chair PA Commission		x
Greg Thomas	Ex-Officio – NCCPA		x

Name	Non-Member Role	Attendance
Nahale Kalfas	Interim Legal Counsel	x
Jessica Thomas	Interim Executive Director	x

Name	Agenda 12/9/24	Minutes 11/18/24	Reconsider Votes from 11/18/24	Approve Agenda 11/18/24	Approve Minutes from 10/23/24	Recommend Fiscal Year of October 1- September 30	Provide draft budget to Exec Comm	Adjourn
Elizabeth Huntley	2	1					2	
Larry Marx		2	2	2	2	2		
Jamie Alley	1		1	1	1	1	1	
TOTALS	3/3 motion passes	3/3 motion passes	3/3 motion passes	3/3 motion passes	3/3 motion passes	3/3 motion passes	3/3 motion passes	

9 **Welcome**

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12 **Call to order/Roll Call**

- 13 • L. Marx calls to order the meeting at 11:01 a.m.

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15 **Review and Adopt Agenda**

- 16 • Committee reviewed the agenda; Chair Marx called for a motion to adopt the agenda.

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18 • **Motion:**

- 19 ○ Jamie Alley motioned that the committee adopt the agenda.

- 20 ○ Elizabeth Huntley seconded the motion.

- 21 ○ 3 members present voted in favor; 0 abstained; motion carried.

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23 **Review and Adopt Minutes**

- 24 • Committee reviewed the minutes;

- 25 ○ Discussion of voting delegates from 11/18/24 meeting. One person (S. Harrison) had voted
26 as an alternate but was not replacing a sitting voting member of the Finance Committee.

- 27 Discussion to reapprove the items from 11/18/24 meeting instead of allowing the
28 temporary alternate vote. The expressed concern is that in the future, someone could join
29 as a temporary member and vote on the committee without officially being a voting
30 member. Setting a precedence and allowing this to continue could potentially cause some
31 issues for the committee's operations in the future.

- 32 • Chair Marx called for a motion to reapprove Nov 18 votes.

33 • **Motion:**

- 34 ○ Jamie Alley motioned that the committee reconsider votes for items on 11/18/24
35 including adopting the agenda and adopting the minutes from 10/23/24.

- 36 ○ Larry Marx seconded the motion.

- 37 ○ 3 members present voted in favor; 0 abstained; motion carried.

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- 39 • Chair Marx called for a motion to approve the minutes from Nov. 18, 2024.

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41 • **Motion:**

- 42 ○ Elizabeth Huntley motioned that the committee approve the 11/18/24 minutes.

- 43 ○ Larry Marx seconded the motion.

- 44 ○ 3 members present voted in favor; 0 abstained; motion carried.

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46 **Reconsider votes for 11/18/24 Items**

47 • **Motion:**

- 48 ○ Jamie Alley motioned that the committee approve agenda from 11/18/24.

- 49 ○ Larry Marx seconded the motion.

- 50 ○ 3 members present voted in favor; 0 abstained; motion carried.

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52 • **Motion:**

- 53 ○ Jamie Alley motioned that the committee approve minutes from 10/23/24.
54 ○ Larry Marx seconded the motion.
55 ○ 3 members present voted in favor; 0 abstained; motion carried.

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58 Fiscal Year Recommendation

- 59 • Committee discussed fiscal year options
- 60 ○ J. Alley asks: Is there a trend among compacts?
 - 61 ▪ N. Kalfas: Some track with funding sources but not necessary. Fiscal years
 - 62 starting in October and July are common. Not seeing a calendar year trend.
 - 63 ○ Discussion of benefits for fiscal year of Oct. 1, July 1, or calendar year. Represented
 - 64 states share that their fiscal years begin in July.
 - 65 • K. Scarbalis: AAPA approved \$150,000 for compact commission.
 - 66 • G. Thomas: NCCPA is on calendar year budget, should approve funds in February. Where will
 - 67 this money go?
 - 68 • E. Huntley asks: what happens between now and October logistically, getting into budget cycle?
 - 69 ○ L. Marx: Commission will continue to use CSG, funding will be a pass through to CSG
 - 70 until we have our budget and secretariat
 - 71 ○ C. Sims: There will be further conversations with funders.
 - 72 ▪ CSG could hold a reserve account
 - 73 ▪ Funder could hold onto funds and CSG could invoice them
 - 74 ▪ No bank account option until a secretariat is chosen
 - 75 ○ G. Thomas: My interpretation is that the preference from NCCPA is there would be an
 - 76 MOU with CSG to invoice NCCPA instead of transferring funds all at once
 - 77 • K. Scarbalis: Virginia does July fiscal year as well, October for the compact makes sense to me to
 - 78 work with the states.
 - 79 • N. Kalfas: The MOU will govern how the funds work. Not ideal to create a temporary holding
 - 80 account. As far as the fiscal year question, who would you co-locate an annual business meeting
 - 81 with? When would that be?
 - 82 • T. Terranova: We will discuss this at the executive committee meeting tomorrow. Recommend
 - 83 to co-locate with FSMB annual meeting in April. FSMB is willing to give space and technology.
 - 84 • L. Marx: October gives time for states to prepare budgets. October 1 – September 30 is my
 - 85 recommendation for fiscal year. Also agree with co-locating with FSMB.
 - 86 ○ Clarification that any MOUs would be separate (CSG/AAPA and CSG/NCCPA)
 - 87 ○ J. Alley and E. Huntley agree with Oct 1 fiscal year.

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89 Chair Marx called for a motion to recommend fiscal year of October 1 – September 30 to executive
90 committee.

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- 92 • **Motion:**
- 93 ○ Jamie Alley motioned to recommend fiscal year of October 1 – September 30 to executive
 - 94 committee.
 - 95 ○ Larry Marx seconded the motion.
 - 96 ○ 3 members present voted in favor; 0 abstained; motion carried.

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99 **Draft Budget**

100 Chair Marx begins discussion of draft budget. These are estimates.

- 101 • C. Sims provides context, points out notes column.
- 102 • G. Thomas: budget does not add up correctly to total amount.
 - 103 ○ J. Thomas updates the total column function to correctly add to total amount.
- 104 • N. Kalfas: Will be important to have flexibility in the funding as far as budget categories and
- 105 where funds can be spent.
- 106 • Discussion and concern that the budget expense are more than what the commission has asked
- 107 funders for.
- 108 • G. Thomas: The funding from NCCPA is for the current stage of the compact and does not reflect
- 109 this budget, so when we get to this stage we could update the MOU and possibly ask for more
- 110 funds, correct?
 - 111 ○ C. Sims confirms.
- 112 • J. Alley: How does this budget work with the fiscal year that we choose?
 - 113 ○ FY would take effect upon executive committee approval.
 - 114 ○ Other compacts have proportionally adjusted to FY
 - 115 ○ Draft budget can change.

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117 Chair Marx called for a motion to recommend draft budget to executive committee.

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- 119 • **Motion:**
 - 120 ○ **Jamie Alley motioned to recommend draft budget to executive committee.**
 - 121 ○ **Elizabeth Huntley seconded the motion.**
 - 122 ○ **3 members present voted in favor; 0 abstained; motion carried.**

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124 **Delegate Questions and Public Comments**

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127 **Public Questions and Comments**

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- 130 • Next meeting discussed and decided: **Jan 7, 2025 3 p.m. ET**

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132 **Adjourn**

- 133 • Hearing no further business or discussion, Chair Marx adjourned the meeting at 12 p.m. ET.