



*Board of Directors Meeting
Tucson, Arizona
September 12, 2000*

A regularly scheduled meeting of the National Community Development Association (NCDA) Board of Directors was held on Thursday, October 12, 2000 at the Westward Look Resort in Tucson, Arizona. The meeting preceded the 2000 Executive Symposium scheduled for October 13 – 15, 2000.

I ROLL CALL

David Thompson, NCDA President and Community Development Director for Richmond, California, called the meeting to order. The following Board members and staff were in attendance:

Para Rosario	Bridgeport, CT
Stephen Gartrell	Newton, MA
Thomas McColgan	Springfield, MA
John Sasso	Newport, RI
Emory Counts	Daytona Beach, FL
Roslyn Phillips	Jacksonville, FL
Leona Plaugh	Columbia, SC
Diane Voneida	Rockford, IL
Paul Hilgers	Austin, TX
W. Thomas Utter	Corpus Christi, TX
Barbara Ross	Denton, TX
Greg Hoover	Davenport, IA
James Vaughn	Kansas City, MO
James Caruso	Lincoln, NE
Cressworth Lander	Tucson, AZ
Emily Nottingham	Tucson, AZ
Scott Stevenson	Los Angeles County, CA
David Thompson	Richmond, CA
Steve Young	Sacramento, CA
Pamela David	San Francisco, CA
Skeet Fitzgerald	Henderson, NV
Pamela Barrett	Reno, NV
Hazel Bhang	Seattle, WA

Staff

Chandra Western
Vicki Watson
Romulus Johnson
Karen Means
Tamika McRae

II APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by W. Thomas Utter, Assistant City Manager for Corpus Christi, Texas and second by Thomas McColgan, Economic Development Director for Springfield, Massachusetts, to accept the minutes of the previous Board meeting that was held on June 1, 2000 in New Orleans, Louisiana.

III ORGANIZATIONAL ISSUES

A. Review of the Audit Report and Financial Status for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2000

Chandra Western, NCDA Executive Director, reported to the Board that NCDA is doing very well financially and that the Association was in the black for last fiscal year. She explained that the NCDA Financial Report was previously mailed to Board members.

Ms. Western recommended that the investment remains with American Fund and for now and possibly change in the future.

B. Review of Revised Budget for FY 2001

After brief discussion of the revised budget, Mr. McColgan made a motion, and Mr. Utter second, to accept the revised FY 2001 budget.

The Board unanimously approved.

C. NCDA's Accounts Receivables

Chandra Western reported to the Board that compared to the accounts receivables in the audit, NCDA has collected a large amount of outstanding monies for the annual conference and CD Week promotional items.

D. Special Member Recognition

Ms. Western thanked members for their support with letters, calls and e-mails to Congress to help us get the best HUD budget in 30 years and for taking part in the training for the CDBG Timeliness conferences.

Thomas Utter made remarks regarding the 2001 Annual Conference. He stated that he has lined up some good speakers and creative activities that attendees will enjoy and hopes to everyone in Corpus Christi.

He also stated that the Southwest Region, Region VI, has donated \$5,000 to the conference to help incur costs.

IV NCDA MEMBERSHIP ISSUES

A. Membership Report

Karen Means, NCDA Office Manager, discussed the financial report in brief with regards to membership dues billed and received for the present fiscal year. She reported that, to date, NCDA has collected three-fourths of its membership dues.

She reported to the Board that membership included a new state affiliate, the State of Texas. She also reported that communities that renewed their membership in the Association paid this year's dues plus six month of last year's dues.

With regard to membership drives, Ms. Means reported that staff bought registration lists from the CDBG training conference, Region VI conference, and NACCED's meeting and that NCDA plan to send membership information to those communities that are not members of the Association.

Lastly, Ms. Means reported that staff has been meeting with Design Exhibitors regarding purchasing an exhibit that will be used at future NCDA and regional conference. She mentioned that the exhibit will be used to increase membership and will feature excerpts from NCDA's brochure, CD Week items and an example of each

year's poster. The first display, she mentioned, would be at the 2001 Winter Meeting in Washington, D.C.

Ms. Western further explained that the display was being produced because a lot of non-members at different conferences have been requesting for information on NCDA and the exhibit will make the Association more visible.

B. NAHTI TA Contract Update

Vicki Watson, NCDA Legislative Director, reported to the Board that NAHTI applied for a \$3 million HOME TA contract in May and that NCDA would receive \$350,000 over three years if approved. She also reported that under this contract, 1) there would be 12 HOME training sessions with funds for advanced training; 2) NCDA and the U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM) would develop two workshops to bring together mayors and community development directors to focus on affordable housing, with HOME being the centerpiece; and 3) NCDA and CDTI would provide technical assistance to HOME grantees on the lead-based paint regulations, which would include written materials and training courses.

She reported that CDTI is developing a guidebook and hold training sessions at NCDA's regional conferences on developing outcome measures within HOME. She mentioned that HUD has reviewed the guidebook and it should be finalized in the near future.

She also reported that NCDA received \$90,634 in a HOME TA award from HUD in June and is awaiting final contract agreements. With this award, NCDA would develop a joint CHDO capacity building training module with the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO), the National Association of County Community Economic Development (NACCED), and the Council of State Community Development Agencies (COSCDA).

Lastly, Ms. Watson discussed the possibility of lack of TA funds in the future and strongly urged HUD and Congress to provide both CDBG and HOME TA funds.

C. Technology Report

Romulus Johnson, NCDA Legislative Counsel, gave a report on the general usage of NCDA's website and the changes and redesign of the main page. He also reported that members, consultants, and vendors could now advertise their services on NCDAonline.

Mr. Johnson also mentioned the possibility of offering introduction training at the 2001 Winter Meeting.

V LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING

Vicki Watson provided the Board with a legislative update. Ms. Watson reported that Congress passed two Continuing Resolutions to keep the government operating through Saturday, 14, 2000 and hoped to have the remaining appropriations bills passed in the near future. At the present time, Military Construction and Defense had been signed. Interior and Transportation were next in line, leaving nine bills to be completed including VA-HUD. She also reported on the following issues: 1) Lead-Based Paint, 2) Homeless Assistance Funds, and 3) EDI grants.

Ms. Watson was happy to announce that the House and Senate had agreed on the conference report containing HUD's FY2001 appropriations bill to fund CDBG at \$5.1 billion with approximately \$700 million in set-asides with a formula allocation of \$4.4 billion, an increase of \$200 million from last year. The HOME program received an allocation of \$1.86 billion with approximately \$20 million in set-asides, an increase of \$200 million. She also reported that HUD would receive 79,000 new section 8 vouchers and homeless programs would remain at \$1.205 billion.

Mr. Johnson briefly discussed the New Markets bill, reporting that it was being negotiated. He also provided an overview of provisions in the bill. He also discussed Brownfields and Predatory Lending.

VII UPCOMING MEETINGS

Chandra Western informed the Board of NCDA's upcoming meetings in 2001 stating that the Winter Meeting would be held at the Washington Marriott Hotel in Washington D.C. on January 17 - 20 and the Annual Conference would be held at the Omni Bayfront Hotel in Corpus Christi, Texas on May 23 - 26.

VIII OTHER BUSINESS

Dr. James E. Huger to be Honored in Daytona Beach, Florida

Emory Counts, Community Development Director for Daytona Beach, Florida, announced that Dr. James E. Huger, former NCDA President and Community Development Director for Daytona Beach, Florida, would receive the Martin L. King, Jr. Award on January 13, 2001.

Nominations and Elections Committee Report

Para Rosario, NCDA Immediate Past President and Housing and Community Development Director for Bridgeport, Connecticut, reported to the Board the report of the Nominations and Elections Committee. She stated that a letter was sent to Past Presidents of NCDA asking for nominations for the vacancy of Secretary-Treasurer.

She announced that because Anthony Covacevich, former Urban County Director for Hidalgo County, Texas, could not serve his term as President of NCDA, David Thompson and Greg Hoover, NCDA Secretary-Treasurer and Housing and Neighborhood Development Manager, would move up to the position of President and Vice President, respectively.

After lengthy discussion and due to the large number of nominees and motions made, several options were recommended to the Board with regards to the selection.

Mr. Thompson made a motion, and it was second, that the Nominations and Elections Committee put together a short list of nominees to vote on.

There being no further business and being that a decision could not be made on the selection of Secretary-Treasurer during the meeting, it was suggested that the Board meeting would resume on Saturday, October 14th at 8:30 a.m.

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A continuation of the NCDA Board of Directors meeting convened on Saturday, October 14, 2000.
Greg Hoover, NCDA President, called the meeting to order.

Para Rosario reported to the Board that the Nominations and Elections Committee had selected Aaron Longoria, Community Development Director for Edinburg, Texas, as NCDA Secretary-Treasurer. Mr. Utter made a motion, and it was second, to accept the nomination of Mr. Longoria.

The Board unanimously accepted the nomination.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.