

Committee Members Present: Ron Benham, Kristie Musick, Bob Sloper, David Hagerla, Linda Goodman, Mary Ann Discenza, Tom Stengel

Committee Members Absent: Rick Ingraham, Sue Brown, Tiffany Smith-Birk, Debbie Cheatham, Terry Harrison, Brad Hutton, Lynn Marie Price, Karen Walker

Staff Members Present: Maureen Greer, Sharon Walsh

Topic	Discussion	Action Steps	Need for Board Action
MOE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What direction should the Association take regarding reauthorization language related to MOE (supplement, not supplant)? ○ What constitutes MOE? What are the challenges that states are facing? • Timeline is not as urgent as the Funding formula and needs to be held until the timeline for the funding formula is met. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possibility of Joint Conference Call with Legislative Committee after March. 	
Funding Allocation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sharon explained the process for moving this issue forward in Congress. While reauthorization of IDEA will not occur this year, the work to change funding formulas is very intensive and difficult and ITCA must achieve consensus on any recommendation before action can take place on the Hill. • Any formula recommendation must meet the criteria established by the Board. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ron will continue to refine the work that has been initiated for the next committee call. • Maureen will send the statutory language regarding the current funding formula. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The timeline for committee action is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 31 for committee recommendation; ○ April 30 for Board approval; ○ May 31 distribution for Member comment ○ June 30 for Finance Committee review of comments and final recommendation ○ July 31: final formula recommendation for annual meeting vote. 		
ARRA Desk Audits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee discussed the use of the desk audit regarding the use of ARRA funds for direct services. The focus was the funding cliff. No one on the call has used the desk audit to date but all expressed concern about the funding cliff that is a reality for many states. 		
Finance Mix	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is currently a lack of information that would support the ability for the Association to recommend a model(s) for an appropriate funding mix (federal, state and local) to support the Part C system. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maureen will draft a survey for the committee to obtain information on fund sources 	
Next Meeting	February 25, 2009 at 3:30 PM Eastern		