

Legislative Committee Members Present: Linda Goodman, Kim Wedel, Wendy Whipple, Molly Bright (proxy), Rosanne Grif-Cabelli, Brad Hutton, Terry Harrison, Karen Walker, Pam Roush, Andy Gomm

Staff Members Present: Sharon Walsh, Maureen Greer

Topic	Discussion	Action Steps
MOE Reauthorization Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The results of the survey (34 respondents) were shared with the committee. While the majority of states were in favor of the MOE waiver option, there is still no clear direction. Additional discussion needs to be available to members. 	<p><i>This will be on the agenda for the December membership meeting.</i></p>
IDEA Reauthorization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reauthorization of IDEA is at least 1-2 years away, it would be important to begin to identify areas that the Association would like to be addressed. • The committee reviewed a draft document that Linda had developed and agreed that the format lent itself to the review process. • The committee agreed to begin discussions on potential changes in statutory language 	<p><i>The statute will be divided into sections and each section will be considered over the next several months. The committee will complete an initial draft before sending to the members for consideration.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Section 631-635 will be discussed at the next meeting.</i> • <i>Section 636-639 will be discussed at the following meeting.</i> • <i>Section 640-644 will be discussed at the last meeting.</i>
Washington Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Congress will convene in January <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Senate (53/47 split with Democrats retaining control) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ HELP Committee has a new Kennedy fellow, Michael Gamel McCormick; and ▪ Senator Harkin has a new Disability Policy Director, Andy Imparata 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ House (240/191 split with Republicans in control) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Education and Workforce – Mr. Klein (MN) will chair now instead of Mr. Miller (CA) ● Pending Bills for Lame Duck Session: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Unemployment ○ Tax Cuts ○ Child Nutrition ○ Seclusion and Restraint ○ Food Safety ○ Continuing Resolution ● Part C allocation was increased in Senate but nothing in the House. The best hope is probably a freeze for Part C although ITCA and others sent a letter to Senator Harkin thanking him and asking him to push to keep the \$20 million increase. ● Head Start and Child Care are seeking to hold on to the ARRA funding levels. ● Legislation potentially scheduled for consideration in January: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ESEA ○ Education research ○ Workforce 	
FAQ Update	A draft has been developed jointly by NASDSE and ITCA. The final draft will be completed this week and will be sent to Alexa and Melody. As a courtesy, Brad will be letting Ruth know that the letter will be sent.	
IES Comments	The final document was released and some of language that ITCA requested was inserted.	

State of Part C	<p>Should ITCA develop a set of recommendations for other states with a change in governor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modification of Good News? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Vision ○ Alignment with platform 	<p><i>Maureen will develop a brief document regarding the State of Part C that could be used to brief new state administrators.</i></p>
Striving Readers	<p>A three day comment period was announced last week. While the legislation included the Part C population, there is no real role for Part C. ITCA did not provide comments due to the short turn-around period. Other organizations expressed concern about the lack of time for comment.</p>	
Next Meetings	January 3 and January 31, 2011 at 3:30 PM Eastern	