

Infant and Toddler Coordinator Association (ITCA)

9/9/02 Conference Call Meeting Minutes

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2002 National Early Childhood Conference (November 2-6, 2002): Linda Goodman

Early bird sessions

ITCA Board Member facilitator assignments.

Reauthorization timeline (2002 or 2003)

Reception

Inviting congressional staffers for a panel discussion for Sunday sessions (1:30 - 2:30) hour session. with House and Senate representation).

Board meeting Date: Lunch on Monday in Ron's room.

Meeting with project officers and Ruth (what can we be doing to be helpful). Linda will schedule.

Leadership fellows awards.

Information to be given out to the ITCA coordinators. Maureen will coordinate the development of the packets. All information to be included will need to be to Maureen by no later than October 15th. 45 packets to be developed.

Governmental Update: Sharon Walsh

Activities were sent to board members.

P. Kennedy bill: Talked with staff member regarding our not supporting the full bill. Discussed possibly writing support for parts of the bill. Sharon will clarify what they want and will coordinate any follow-up activities with the board.

Senate may introduce a bill by the end of September but they may not. There is much speculation to how far along a House is.

Proposed ITCA inclusion on a joint letter based on the Spec. Education Commission Report. NASDE, School Boards, PTA, CEC, etc. Sharon will forward it to the board for approval. - Fed. Staff holding fast to creating a "seamless" system and Education as the lead agency for accountability of Part C.

The appropriations bills are not finished. We may get a \$20 million increase, but not likely.

National Survey / Financing: Marueen Greer

Financing paper and the National Survey is now typed. The Good-News Paper is under development.

Focused Monitoring Report: Linda Goodman

Data has been gathered on Children under the age of one benchmark (18 states over 1%). Linda will send this information out to member states for comment. Discussion was held regarding the appropriateness of the benchmarks.

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Treasurer's / Membership Report: Mark Sharp

Dues have been paid by 9 states including: Washington, Nevada (New), Delaware, Kansas, North Dakota, Montana, South Carolina, New York (New) and Connecticut.

North Carolina and Wyoming have requested additional information.

Current balance: Checking: \$52,668.95

Business IDA: \$26,322.14 (\$ 26.59 interest for Aug.)

Mark will send out a list of non-member states for board members to contact regarding possible membership / barriers to becoming members. The board will email Mark the states they plan to contact.

Other

Next meeting Oct. 7th