

ACR 2003 Summer Conference

Business Meeting Attendance List

**Holiday Inn By the Bay
Portland, Maine**

**Saturday, July 26, 2003
3:30 p.m.**

1. Call to Order

The first business meeting of the 2003 summer conference was called to order by ACR President Kathy Lubke at 3:05 p.m.

2. ACR Welcome

Kathy welcomed all attendees and thanked them for coming.

3. Treasurers Report

1. Jane Chaffin handed out the Treasurer's report showing a balance of \$17,920.22 as of May 2003.

2. In response to questions regarding the cost of last summer's conference, it was noted that \$9,000 was budgeted, but only about \$6,500 was spent.

3. The Treasurer's report was accepted.

4. Survey Discussion

Kathy stated that the ACR Vice President heads up compilation and publication of the ACR Federal-State Survey. The information is scheduled to come out by March 1.

Discussion:

1. Winter meeting could be used to talk about information to be included on the survey.

2. Suggestions for changes to the survey form include:

a. Who reviews rules in each state, i.e., Executive Branch, Legislative Branch, etc.

b. Whether sunset provisions on regulations are allowed.

c. Whether filing fees are charged.

d. Is legislative veto allowed?

e. More information on rules review.

f. Whether e-filing is allowed or required.

3. Consider the survey audience and whether we want to continue the survey as a revenue source.

4. Collect information in a database and possibly split database into data by audience, i.e., one survey for those interested in rules publication and the other survey for those interested in rules review.

The Executive Committee will review the issue and present its findings at the winter meeting (February 13-16, 2004).

5. Winter Meeting and Possible Session Topics

Discussion:

1. To continue having a meaningful conference, input is needed from members as to what topics would help draw more attendees from more states.

2. Regional meeting could be an alternative to the DC winter meeting. Bring in state rule drafters for a session for a small fee. Set up temporary ACR checking account for a regional meeting.

3. It was noted that ACR should see how NASS would respond to ACR pulling out of DC meeting.

6. Committee Appointments

Nominations Committee provides slate of officers for coming year.

Program Committee consists of three people who put together the Summer Conference agenda.

Colburn Awards Committee consists of three members who evaluate nominations and select a winner.

Kathy is looking for volunteers for each of these committees.

7. Summer Conference

The summer conference will not be held at Greenbriar resort in West Virginia as originally planned. New Orleans is being considered as a potential venue.

8. New Business

There was discussion about recruitment and retention of members. Discussion included whom to recruit, whether to change the organization's name, offering CLE, and running multiple sessions concurrently. Other ideas were to revisit what has been done successfully in the past, draw on NASS leadership, promote ACR as an organization to the secretaries of state, and compile a list of rule review contacts.