

**Interstate Commission for Juveniles
Finance Committee Call
7/21/2009**

In Attendance:

- 1) Lisa Bjergaard (ND) Commissioner, Committee Chair
- 2) Dennis Casarona (KS) Commissioner, Treasurer
- 3) Paul Gibson (KY) Commissioner
- 4) Michele Holden (DE) Designee
- 5) Gloria Soja (MT) Designee
- 6) Alicia Ehlers (ID) Ex-Officio

Absent:

- 1) Susan Morris (OK) Commissioner
- 2) Beth Meng (LA) Commissioner

- Treasurer Casarona provided the Committee an overview of the budget redraft.
 - Dennis based the redraft on the existing budget that was approved at the meeting in Las Vegas. The bottom line did not change, however Dennis did adjust certain items in the budget.
 - He provided the group with an overview of the new budget format and explained the reasoning behind it.
 - Treasurer Casarona added that the budget remained \$648,834.00
 - He noted that the bottom line dollar does not include newly added funds from additional member states. The additional revenue from new member states cannot be spent until the new budget is voted on and approved by the full Commission at the next annual meeting. Dennis recommended taking the additional revenue that is added from new member states and putting that into a reserve fund.
- Treasurer Casarona next discussed a series of specific changes that he made in the adjusted budget.
 - The first item pertained to adjusting the line item for General Counsel to reflect that Rick will be working on a per hour basis.
 - He recommended zeroing that out and putting in \$36,000 in its place.
 - Treasurer Casarona next discussed the changes he made to the Executive Director line item. He first noted that he budgeted on the high end of the salary range. He also added that he prorated the position's salary to reflect the fact that somebody would probably not start until October 1 at the earliest.
 - The prorated figure for nine months totals \$70,250.00
 - The third line item that Dennis addressed was the Deputy Director position. He noted that the position would not be filled immediately. Dennis reduced the starting salary of \$65,000 by half to reflect somebody starting in January.
 - Dennis also recommended reducing the Program Specialist and Clerical position to nine months each, which was the earliest he thought they would be hired

- After reviewing specific line items, Treasurer Casarona motioned to adjust the original budget to include the changes noted above. He would like to pass the updated budget on to the Executive Committee for their consideration and action.
 - Paul Gibson seconded and the motion carried.
- Treasurer Casarona next motioned that the Finance Committee recommend to the Executive Committee that the final budget be approved and acted on when the Executive Committee is in Lexington in August.
 - Paul Gibson seconded that motion and it carried.
- Under new business, Chair Bjergaard requested a motion to pay an initial deposit of \$2,500 deposit to the Hyatt for the Commission's second annual meeting. Gloria Soja seconded the motion and it carried.
 - Lisa agreed to discuss this during the next Executive Committee call.
- Chair Bjergaard informed the Committee that the next call is scheduled for 8/25/09 at 11:00 AM eastern time.
- Hearing no other old or new business, Chair Bjergaard adjourned the call.