

WCA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday, May 5, 2011

Osthoff Resort
Elkhart Lake, WI

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: President Buechel called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Alice Connors, Keith Langenhahn, Gus Wirth, Jr., Dick Koeppen, and Allen Buechel. **STAFF:** Mark D. O'Connell, Lyn Bradstreet, J. Michael Blaska, Jon Hochkammer, John Reinemann and Sarah Diedrick-Kasdorf. **OTHERS PRESENT:** Johnny Thomas, Milwaukee County Supervisor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by WIRTH, second by LANGENHAHN, to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Buechel reported that the County Ambassador Program (CAP) day was very successful, with over 200 participating, excellent speakers and a chance for everyone to meet with their legislators. He congratulated Alice Connors for its creation. He has attended the WCA Taxation & Finance, Health & Human Services and the Environment & Land Use Steering Committee meetings.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Mr. O'Connell informed the Executive Committee that WisPolitics is having a luncheon for the newly elected county executives on May 24, 2011 to discuss their challenges with the upcoming state budget. The WCA Board agenda has been amended to include a paper for consideration of Association pick-up of Employee Retirement Contribution Pursuant to IRC § 414(h)(2) which will clarify that employee contributions are pre-tax. The WCA Board agenda was sent to all county clerks for posting.

ASSOCIATION ISSUES:

a. Consideration of 2011 WCA Conference Rules: Mr. O'Connell explained that the WCA Executive Committee serves as the Rules Committee. Sarah Diedrick-Kasdorf explained the rules and the minor revisions. Motion by LANGENHAHN, second by WIRTH, to propose

the 2011 WCA Conference Rules for adoption by the members at the annual conference. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS AS ALLOWED BY LAW: Gus Wirth reported on the Energy Summit he attended earlier in the day. Mr. Wirth had concerns with the county requirement to post meeting minutes in the newspapers and instead would like staff to lobby for legislation allowing posting on the internet. Mark O'Connell explained that a compromise reached with the Newspaper Association allows for printing summaries.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by KOEPPEN, second by CONNORS, to adjourn. Motion carried.
The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.