

## WCA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday, October 27, 2011

Hotel Sierra  
Green Bay, WI

### MINUTES

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

**ROLL CALL:** Allen Buechel, Keith Langenhahn, Marty Krueger, Gus Wirth, Jr. and Dick Koeppen. **STAFF:** Mark D. O'Connell, Lyn Bradstreet, J. Michael Blaska, Jon Hochkammer, John Reinemann, Josh Bindl and Sarah Diedrick-Kasdorf.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion by WIRTH, second by LANGENHAHN, to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** President Koeppen welcomed everyone. The agendas and minutes for the WCA Executive Committee and Board of Directors are now posted on the WCA website. County clerks have been receiving the WCA Board meeting agenda to publicly post. Two new items have been added to future Board agendas, public comment and a break time. Legal counsel will be present tomorrow and at future Board meetings. The annual conference was very well attended. Breakout sessions were very informative. General session speakers were excellent. There were many positive comments from vendors regarding traffic in the WCA Marketplace. Membership at the annual business meeting adopted the recommendations of the Constitution Committee with one exception. Past Presidents are allowed to serve as ex-officio members with no voting rights. An amendment, however, was adopted to limit their terms to two years after serving as immediate past president. The other significant change was that counties with a population over 600,000 are guaranteed a seat on the Board of Directors. Everyone that applied to serve on a steering committee was appointed. Steering committee chairs and vice chairs have also been appointed. Opening remarks at the Cap Team meeting on Wednesday, October 19 were well received. Sarah Diedrick-Kasdorf did an excellent job in organizing the event. Outagamie and Milwaukee County have not included WCA dues in their budgets for 2012. A letter, co-signed with Allen Buechel, was sent asking both counties to continue their

membership in the Association. Mark O'Connell also sent letters on behalf of the association. WCA has asked both Outagamie and Milwaukee County for an opportunity to address their committees/boards. A letter will be sent to Walworth County in the next few weeks asking them to reconsider their membership. Walworth County has not been a member since 2008.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Mark D. O'Connell discussed the two letters sent to Outagamie and Milwaukee County. A similar letter will be sent to Walworth County. WCA Past President and Dane County Supervisor, Dennis O'Loughlin, will serve on the WCA Board as an ex-officio non-voting member. Past Presidents who serve as ex-officio members will receive per diem and expenses. Legal counsel has been invited to attend Board meetings. Former Transportation Builders Association Executive Director, Tom Walker, passed away last week. Peter Barca was a guest one week and Robin Vos the following on the Milwaukee radio show hosted by Mr. O'Connell. The association of county association executive directors recently met in Philadelphia, PA. WCA is viewed very favorably among other associations. Many state associations are between 70%-90% dues funded. WCA is 20% dues funded. There were many positive comments regarding *Wisconsin Counties* magazine and WCA eNews. NACo is continuing discussions with CVS-Caremark regarding sharing revenue from the prescription drug card program with the state associations/counties. CVS is a huge sponsor of NACo and paid the dues of all non-participating counties in 2011. Nationwide Retirement Solutions is also in negotiations with NACo regarding sharing revenue from the deferred compensation program with the state associations.

**OTHER BUSINESS AS ALLOWED BY LAW:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by BUECHEL, second by WIRTH, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.