

Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

May 1, 2002

Members Present: Jim Nordlund, Jim Dalman, Ellie Fitzjarrald, Randy Moore, Ron Kreher, Julie Morris, Rudder Hulce, Amy Yardley, Karen Aaltonen, Paul Schoenborn, Mary Rogers, Val Horner, Linda Dawson, Marilee Roberts,

Members Absent: Margo Nash, Tom Sullivan, Ted Sponsel, Stephanie Hoyt, Jane Urbanovsky,

Old Business/Action Items:

1. Fee Agents: Jim Dalman
2. Food Stamp Policy Memo will be sent out.
3. HB 402 impacts of implementation on Sys Ops.
4. Case File Reorganization/ Admin Procedure Manual.
5. CASS Screen....field staff are happy!!!

Ron Kreher will facilitate the next meeting scheduled for June 5th, the facilitator schedule thereafter will be:

A new Facilitator Schedule:

July 10 th	Amy Yardley
August 7 th	Paul Schoenborn
September 4 th	Randy Moore
October 2 nd	Marilee Roberts
November 6 th	Linda Dawson
December 4 th	Ted Sponsel
January 8 th 2003	Rudder Hulce

Downstream Swapping is ok! Just let me know, Thanks.

Agenda Items:

Jim Nordlund:

At this time we are instructed by the Attorney General's Office to **not** communicate with Alaska Legal Services given the pending litigation, lawsuit with the exceptions for Fair Hearings. If you are called please have them call Jim Nordlund.

- Legislative update:

The House numbers for budget are not looking good, however, the Senate numbers for the budget are better.

MOE (Maintenance of Effort) violation is taken care of in the Senate budget. There are staff cuts in the Senate but they are not as deep, maybe manageable through attrition. Governor may veto entire budget because budget has been bifurcated meaning funds are split with half of the appropriation available from July through December 2002 and the balance in the final half of the fiscal year.

- PFD Hold harmless

<http://www.legis.state.ak.us/PDF/22/Bills/SB0340C.PDF>

House State Affairs Committee on last Saturday, Nordlund gave excellent testimony, yesterday bill failed in committee. Joe Hayes (D), Harry Crawford (D) Peggy Wilson (R), Gary Stevens(R) voted against bill.

- SB 182 Pro Rata

<http://www.legis.state.ak.us/PDF/22/Bills/SB0182B.PDF>

This bill may die in the House HESS committee, will have a hard time passing the house.

- HB 402 ATAP

<http://www.legis.state.ak.us/PDF/22/Bills/HB0402C.PDF>

This is moving along... keep watching.

Jim Dalman:

Food Stamp error Rate Penalty 2001

Farm Bill:

Jim will send out to all committee members a copy of provisions.

EIO Project: Ron Kreher

This project is moving along and the staff in Central are embracing this project as their own and taking ownership.

<http://soar.hss.state.ak.us/eoi/>

New Concerns:

Paul will be in Juneau to meet with CSED and T&H to iron out problems with systems and data exchange.

There some training issues with *Document Direct*. Using it more, and getting it out to people.

Margo has given us a DPA intra-net site address for the steering committee meetings.

<http://dpaweb.hss.state.ak.us/main/Steering/steering.htm>