

Counseling Compact Finance Committee Meeting

February 1, 2023, 1:00 p.m. ET

Committee Members Present

Kim Speakman, Chair
Brian Carnahan
Foley Nash
Latofia Parker
Angie Smith
Jamie Doming, Commission Chair

Committee Members Absent

N/A

Executive Committee Members Present

Greg Searls

Legal Counsel Present

Nahale Kalfas

CSG Staff Present

Isabel Eliassen
Carl Sims

Nine members of the public were also present

Welcome & Call to Order

- J. Doming called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m. ET.

Roll Call

- I. Eliassen called the roll. No committee members were absent. K. Speakman joined the meeting during the review of the role of the Finance Committee due to technical difficulties.

Review and Adoption of the Agenda

- J. Doming reviewed the agenda and called for a motion to adopt the agenda.
- **Motion:** B. Carnahan motioned to adopt the agenda. A. Smith seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Review Role of Finance Committee

- N. Kalfas explained that the Finance Committee would be given a charge by the Executive Committee. The Finance Committee is responsible for oversight of the financial concerns of the Commission.
- N. Kalfas reminded the group that they should disclose potential conflicts so they could decide, in consultation with the legal counsel, if they would need to recuse themselves from discussion.

Discussion and Vote on Draft Budget

- K. Speakman led the group in a discussion of the draft budget. K. Speakman explained proposed budget figures were derived from draft budgets of other compacts, and numbers may be revised as needed and approved by the commission.
- In particular, the group discussed the cost of the website and database creation. K. Speakman informed the group that budget was not intended to indicate preference for any particular group to create the database or website. Possible companies and potential barriers/challenges were discussed.
- K. Speakman asked for questions from the delegates and the members of the public. A question was posed about the content of the Technology Access line item and clarification provided.
- I. Eliassen stated that the budget had been posted later than typical. N. Kalfas advised the group that the standard operating procedure was to post one week prior to the meeting. Although there are no compact rules or bylaws which state posting requirements for committee meetings, and the committee was still within all public notice requirements, because the date on which the budget was posted was later than usual, best practice involved formally noting and waiving posting requirements.
- **Motion:** L. Parker motioned to waive the posting requirements. B. Carnahan seconded the motion. There was no further discussion on the issue, all members voted in favor, and the motion carried.
- **Motion:** J. Doming motioned to approve the budget. A. Smith seconded the motion. There was no further discussion; all present voted in favor motion carried.

Questions and Comments

- K. Speakman asked if there were further questions from delegates or comments from the public.

Adjourn

- Hearing no further questions, K. Speakman called for a motion to adjourn.
- **Motion:** B. Carnahan motioned to adjourn. L. Parker seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 1:36 p.m. ET.