

**West Virginia Association of School Administrators**  
**Minutes**  
**Meeting held September 22, 2006 at Charleston Marriott**

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by Deborah Akers, president, at approximately 4:00 pm on September 22, 2006

**Approval of Minutes:**

On motion by Nick Zervos, seconded by Pat Law, the minutes of the May 18, 2006 meeting were approved as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

**Executive Committee Report:**

Debbie Akers reported on the meeting of the executive committee. She requested that the entire membership approve the action taken at the August 17 meeting to increase the executive director's salary by \$2,000 annually. A motion was made to approve the action by Steve Pauley, seconded by Pat Law, and passed unanimously.

**Legislative Committee Report:**

Mark Manchin, Legislative Chair indicated that the Legislative agenda needs to be developed early enough to provide information to the newly elected legislators prior to the January session. He further made a plea to the group for volunteers to serve on the committee. Some issues which are looming as possible Legislative items are the formula, RESA, Grievance changes, and GASB accounting.

**Treasurer's Report**

Butch Barcus, Treasurer, reported that the total income since the last meeting was \$36,864.40. Expenses equaled \$24,801.98, leaving a current balance in the treasury of \$36,872.87.

**Membership Report:**

Matt Kittle reported on membership and the need to recruit additional members. The thought is that each RESA Director will encourage all the superintendents in each RESA to join and to encourage central office administrators to also join. We may wish to have some activities to make new members feel welcome.

**Seminars Committee Report:**

Marsha Carr-Lambert, seminars chair indicated that work has begun on the January Seminar and that the theme will again be Legal Updates. She urged those present to get any ideas they have for speakers or topics to her or to her committee members. The committee will have at least one person from each RESA on it and is currently incomplete.

### **Pre-Kindergarten Committee Report:**

Dr. Akers had previously been named chair of this committee but will be appointing a new chair due to her assumption of presidential duties. Two persons were mentioned as possible chairs for this committee and will be contacted. The issue remains the same in that the pre-kindergarten committees in each county continue to be dominated by representatives from the DHHR and school systems are having difficulty to meet the regulations for day care centers in a school setting.

### **RESA Study Report:**

Charles Nichols reported on the progress of the RESA study. Some issues which have been decided include: 1) the State Superintendent is seen as the manager of all RESA's; 2) Employment of Executive Directors will be by committee; 3) there will be a standardization of personnel policies; and 4) RESA's will maintain LEA status in order to be eligible for E-rate funds.

### **President's Report:**

Dr. Akers briefly addressed the upcoming year and shared her goals for the year for WVASA with the membership.

### **National Conference Report:**

Martha Dean reminded the group that the National Conference would be held in New Orleans this year and that the AASA web site is now open for both conference and room reservations. The WV hotel is the Embassy Suites, located only two blocks from the New Orleans Conference Center. The user name for access to room reservations in the state block is "West Virginia" and the pass code is WV07. Discussion followed and Lyn Guy explained that the city of New Orleans will be ready for our conference and that members should plan to go to provide support and assistance to the city in light of the devastation of Hurricane Katrina in 2005.

### **Grievances and Court Cases:**

Marsha Carr-Lambert reported that the Supreme Court had made a decision regarding School Board Immunity. In short, the decision stated that they do have governmental immunity unless their action was a result of neglect.

### **Adjournment:**

There being no further business to come before the Association, Bill Grizzell moved and Marsha Carr-Lambert seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Dean, Executive Director