

CONNECTICUT COMMISSION ON COMMUNITY SERVICE
Record of Meeting – February 9, 2016
Teleconference

Members Present: I. Black, D. Briggs, J. Ciarleglio, B. Dyson, S. Egan, K. Halkyard, T. Higgins, S. Mykins, A. Ostberg, C. Poindexter, S. Santy, N. Snow, T. Strong, P. Tarasovic

Members Absent: E. Adams, S. Becker, M. Farley, M. Gagnon, M. McCreedy, A. Ruwet, L. Sandiaes, K. Singh, G. Wintjen

Others: M. Georges, K. Scheuritzel

Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. M. Georges read the roll call and a quorum was confirmed.

Welcome, Agenda Adjustments

K. Scheuritzel welcomed all commission members.

Business Reports

B. Dyson moved to adopt the October 27, 2015 minutes; T. Higgins seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

K. Scheuritzel gave updates on the by-laws; A. Ostberg had questions about sections and language in certain parts of the by-laws. A brief discussion ensued.

K. Scheuritzel gave updates on state service plan and requirements; K. Halkyard will be working on state service plan as an internship; K. Halkyard gave an update on the all the work she has been doing on the state service plan and the time line of outreach, focus groups, and Commissioner voting. She also stated that she will be looking for feedback from Commissioners on focus group survey. Discussion continued about the role of commissioners and partnering with different organizations to build focus groups.

A. Ostberg gave updates on meetings she had with congressional offices and upcoming events – 1) AmeriCorps Week – March 7-11, 2016; 2) Mayors Day of Recognition- April 5, 2016; and 3) Senior Corps Week- May 16 – 20, 2016.

M. Georges provided an update on the AmeriCorps 2015-16 portfolio highlighting upcoming events and MLK Jr. Day of Service projects completed.

K. Scheuritzel provided an update on the AmeriCorps 2016-2017 RFP process. Four programs have submitted a competitive application. CNCS is anticipated to release funding decision mid-

late July. She also gave information about the AmeriCorps Formula applications, and technical assistance workshop, formula applications are due March 31, 2016. A brief discussion ensued regarding AmeriCorps formula applications.

Planning and Future Initiatives

Community Service Awards will be tabled for next meeting.

A. Ruwet announced T. Strong was selected to be chair of the Re-invigorated Senior Corps Committee.

Next meeting will be a teleconference on Tuesday April 12, 2016.

B. Dyson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 a.m.; I. Black seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Georges, Commission staff