



Development District
Association of Appalachia

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONFERENCE CALL
WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2015**

MINUTES

SUNDAY MARCH 22, 2015

President Casto welcomed Board members and called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Members Present:

President/Ohio	Misty Casto
1 st Vice President/Georgia	Jim Dove
2 nd Vice President/Ohio	John Hemmings
Secretary/New York	Richard Zink
Alabama	Keith Jones
Georgia	Danny Lewis
Kentucky	Mike Patrick
Kentucky	Sherry McDavid, Immediate Past President
Maryland	Leanne Mazer
Mississippi	Rudy Johnson
New York	Erik Miller
North Carolina	Anthony Starr

Members Absent:

Treasurer/South Carolina	Steve Pelissier
Pennsylvania	Eric Bridges
Tennessee	Susan Reid
West Virginia	Michele Craig
Virginia	Jim Baldwin

Others Present During All or Part of the Session:

Dan Neff	ARC Local Development District Director
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The purpose of the call is to discuss NADO's request for sponsorship for DDAA New Executive Directors to provide a travel expense reimbursement for them to attend the New Executive Director training sponsored by NARC and NADO in Austin, TX (Up to \$600 reimbursement for up to 15 new EDs = \$9,000).

Ms. McDavid asked if it would be better if the travel sponsorship came directly from the DDAA instead of flowing through NADO?

Ms. Mazer expressed her full support for some travel reimbursement for those EDs who attend the training. Ms. Mazer did express concern that DDAA would provide a speaker training amount and no EDs would attend from the region.

Mr. Starr asked for a brief history of DDAA practices in the past relating to sponsoring travel to events similar to those being discussed. He was assured that DDAA has previously funded similar reimbursements in the past.

Mr. Neff noted that the DDAA has a number of directors who fall into this classification, however there is less likelihood of us having huge numbers attend Austin as compared to those that attended Point Clear/SERDI last year.

Ms. Casto pointed out that the DDAA region had 9 new EDs last year at the Point Clear training.

Ms. McDavid made a motion to provide a \$1,000 sponsorship to the NADO Research Foundation, and up to \$4,000 for travel reimbursements to New Executive Directors and to allow Ms. Casto to work out the details on the reimbursement amount per Executive Director. Ms. Mazer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.