

SD CASA Commission Meeting Minutes
October 17, 2022
10:30 am – 12:00 pm Central Time

Attending:

Commissioners: Kristie Fiegen, Judge Patrick Smith, JoLynn Bostrom, Crystal Amann, Lloyd Guy

CASA Program Executive Directors: Julie Wermers, Jackie Horton, Kate Kelley, Sherri Rodgers-Conti, Stacey Tieszen, Kehala Two Bulls

CASA Program Board Member: Tanya Fritz

UJS Staff: Sara Kelly, Aaron Olson

June 2022 Meeting Minutes: Lloyd Guy moved to approve, JoLynn Bostrom second, motion carried. Minutes approved.

Vision for Additional Funds: Three-pronged, multi-year approach: Commissioner Kristie Fiegen presented a PowerPoint on the additional funds to meet the new program start-up, expansion of current programs, and marketing projects. Commissioner Lloyd Guy asked how the proposed fund amount breakdown. Commissioner Fiegen stated it's a fluid funding source and it depends on the needs of the developing program or project. Kehala Two Bulls asked if the new program development could be state-administered. Sara Kelly stated that would be a decision the Chief Justice and State Court Administrator would have to make as it would require a salaried position. Commissioner Fiegen stated to add any new staff a request would have to go to the legislators as it would involve FTEs.

The Commissioners discussed the two CASA grant applications (one for traditional funds, and one for additional funds). The Commissioners discussed accepting applications this year, 2022, and accepting grants for additional funds again in 2023 and set it as an annual application thereafter. New program grant applications will be ongoing. Kate Kelley stated it helps with budget planning to know ahead of time when funds may be available, and Stacey Tieszen agreed. Kehala Two Bulls stated she appreciates the opportunity to apply for funds this year if a program has a project ready.

Commissioner Kristie Fiegen motioned to approve the PowerPoint presentation and funding options for grant applications for expansion and marketing due November 30, 2022, and again in the spring of 2023, Commissioner Patrick Smith second the motion, motion carried.

Funds to support Commissioners and CASA program EDs/staff travel expenses to assist with new program start-up: Sara Kelly gave an overview of the site visits and board meeting attendance and input she received from program board members (summary attached).

Data spreadsheet: Sara Kelly shared a data spreadsheet for collecting data elements from local CASA programs and to assist in generating an annual report.

New Business: Sara Kelly shared two CASA Commission grant applications, one for traditional funds and the second for additional funds. Discussion of grant due dates. Traditional grants will be due on April 12, 2023. The additional funding grant for marketing and expansion will be due November 30, 2022, and April 30, 2023. The marketing and expansion grant applications will be annual after April 2023 submission. The new program grant application will be considered on an ongoing basis.

Public Comment: No public comment

Schedule 2023 Annual Meeting: Discussion of the annual meeting at the end of May. Sara Kelly will send out a Doodle Poll to secure a date. It was confirmed the meeting will be in-person, but a virtual option will be available for those that can't make it to Pierre (hybrid option).

Meeting adjourned at 11:22 am.