

**Florida Association of County Social Services Executives
Business Meeting
9:45 - 11:00 am
Friday, December 6, 2002
SIGN IN SHEET**

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- I. **Welcome and Introductions:** Please sign in. Also, being passed around is the Directory. Please check it to make sure all the information is correct, and make any corrections now. This directory is also available on the website.

- II. **Secretary Report** - Please review the minutes from the June 26, 2002, meeting. **Corrections in Minutes** -At the Executive Meeting held on Oct. 10th the Executive Committee made two financial decisions; one to authorize up to \$4,000 to Volusia County if needed, for social services conferencing, (although they have since reported they obtained additional funding from sponsors, not using the \$4,000, it was still authorized); the second motion was made Oct. 10th to authorize \$200 for a baby shower gift for Joanne Hart. **Motion approved.**

- III. **Treasurer's Report** - \$5,000 CD account, interest has rolled over into checking account. As of Dec. 4th the account balance was \$4,042.60. At this point we are financially sound.

Dues: All members paid their dues last year with the exception of Miami-Dade County. This year our dues owed: **\$4,535**; dues collected **\$3,350**; still outstanding **\$1,185**. Some counties do not pay this bill until they get into the new budget year. Account activity available for all to review.

Note: Mike Hill representing Okeechobee County; although at the June 26th meeting Okeechobee County had asked to be taken off the FACSSE roster.

IV Workshop Presentation & Discussion: by Barry Williams

Vince will e-mail notes and place them on the website for review.

V. Guest Speaker - Russ Amerley

Looking for suggestions and assistance on how to allocate funds from license plates. Need ideas and feedback on the process. For larger counties, the money ends up being eaten up with fees and administrative costs, and not directed at the agency who benefits from this funding.

VI. Presentation by Carol Lacey - Legislative Liaison

Discussed issues of state and county funding for new programs. Also discussed state/county relationships; financing existing programs and allocating new programs, ie; education and lottery distribution; health care and medicaid issues; budget cuts; redistribution of funds and other issues. Issues are still on the table awaiting decisions. Suggestions were presented.

VII. Report on COR Meeting by Evelyn

Charts being passed around escalating the costs of Medicaid. Healthcare issues and how the money is being spent. Average prices compared to other states. Looking to make the Medicaid Program more efficient and cost effective.

VIII. Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned

Respectfully Submitted

Fredrick J. Murry, Secretary