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**NEVADA STATE COMMISSION ON CONSTRUCTION EDUCATION MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY,  
DECEMBER 1, 2004 AT THE STATE CONTRACTORS BOARD, VIDEOCONFERENCED BETWEEN THE  
OFFICES LOCATED AT 2310 CORPORATE CIRCLE, HENDERSON, NEVADA 89074 AND  
9670 GATEWAY DRIVE, RENO, NEVADA 89521**

**1. Call to Order:**

The meeting of the Nevada State Commission on Construction Education was called to order by Chairman Mary MacDonald at 9:07 a.m.

Ms. Grein informed the Commission that the notice for the meeting had been posted in compliance with the Open Meeting Law of the State of Nevada on November 19, 2004.

Chairman MacDonald administered the oath of office to new commission members Douglas Carson; Dennis Nelson and Brian Scroggins. Jack Lindell, Ron Krump, and Ed Horan were present in Reno.

It was noted that quarterly reports from AGC Nevada Chapter and AGC, Las Vegas were received after the meeting agenda was posted and therefore, those quarterly reports will be reviewed and acted upon at the next commission meeting.

Under unfinished business, Commission member Lindell suggested that the commission defer action on the grant requests on today's agenda until a review of all outstanding grants is conducted to ascertain that the goals of the commission are being met. After discussion, it was determined to go forward with the items on the agenda.

**2. Approval of May 12, 2004 minutes.**

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of May 12, 2003. The motion carried.

**3. Status Report of the Construction Education Account**

Chairman MacDonald provided an overview of a status report prepared by Sue Rudic, accountant. The report covered the period July 1, 2001 to November 30, 2004 and shows a balance of \$366,534 available. Ms. Rudic noted for the record that she was advised by the State Accounting Office that the pending Nevada Chapter AGC grant in the amount of \$24,000 was processed for payment today. It was moved and seconded to accept the report. The motion carried.

**4. Discussion and approval of Quarterly Reports:**

**1. Academy for Career Education**

Mr. Forest Gorden, Principal of Academy for Career Education was present to answer questions concerning the report. Commission member Krump moved to defer action on approval of quarterly reports. The motion died for lack of a second. Mr. Gorden provided an overview of the activities of the Academy for

Career Education; outlined how the grant money had been spent and indicated the entire \$24,000 grant that was awarded December 4, 2003 has been expended. Mr. Krump requested a balance sheet and operating statement be provided. It was moved and seconded to accept the final report. The motion carried with Mr. Krump dissenting. Ed Horan abstained from discussing or voting on this matter.

## **2. National Association of Minority Contractors**

Ms. Linda Lewis, Executive Director of the National Association of Minority Contractors was present to answer questions concerning the report. Commission members expressed concern about the expenditure for catering costs; the manner in which office equipment was purchased and certain instruction fees. It was moved and seconded to approve the report for the period ending June 30, 2004 with the exception of \$1,000 for catering costs pending further information from the National Association of Minority Contractors concerning the event for which the catering costs were expended. The motion carried with members Krump and Horan dissenting. It was moved and seconded to accept the report for the period ending September 30, 2004. The motion carried with members Krump and Horan dissenting.

## **5. Discussion and award of grant applications:**

### **1. Associated General Contractors, Las Vegas Chapter requesting \$128,872**

Mr. Steve Holloway and Ms. Linda Gibson representing the Associated General Contractors, Las Vegas Chapter provided an overview of the grant request. Mr. Holloway also explained the legislative intent of the bill that created the construction education commission. Mr. Holloway stated that grant funds would be used to offer classes to contractors at a reasonable fee in order to allow more participation by members of the industry who are not reimbursed by their employers for classes. After discussion, the commission requested that Mr. Holloway provide an amended application that eliminates classes that are considered safety classes and craft classes as well as the classes that funding has already been committed by NSCB. It was moved and seconded to earmark \$75,000 of grant money for Associated General Contractors, Las Vegas Chapter for construction education in southern Nevada, however, no funds will be distributed until a revised application is approved by the Commission at its next meeting. The motion carried with member Krump dissenting.

### **2. Academy for Career Education requesting \$30,000**

Mr. Forrest Gorden, Principal of the Academy for Career Education provided an overview of the grant application. Commission members the proposal to send 30 students to Skills-USA competition for \$10,000. Mr. Gorden explained the purpose of the competition. It was moved and seconded to award a grant in the amount of \$25,000 to the Academy for Career Education. The motion carried with member Krump dissenting. Ed Horan abstained from discussion or voting on this matter.

### **3. National Association of Minority Contractors, Southern Nevada Chapter requesting \$60,000**

Ms. Linda Lewis represented the National Association of Minority Contractors. Commission members requested that a Financial Statement and Operating Statement for the Southern Nevada Chapter of the National Association of Minority Contractors be provided in order to determine the percentage of the total program that this grant is anticipated to fund. It was moved and seconded to earmark \$60,000 for the program contingent upon receiving financial data to further clarify the percentage of total program this grant will fund. The matter will be placed on the next commission agenda once the financial data is received. The motion carried with members Krump and Horan dissenting.

## **6. Public Comment**

Ms. Clara Andriola commended the Commission for its extensive deliberations before awarding grant funds. She indicated that as chairman of another state board, she understands the amount of work that each member undertakes.

## **7. Adjournment**

The next meeting of the Commission was scheduled for Wednesday, February 2, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. at the offices of the Contractors Board.

Commission members Dennis Nelson and Ron Krump volunteered to serve as a subcommittee to prepare audit procedures to track grant funds.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jeanne Reynolds  
Recording Secretary

Approved:

Mary MacDonald  
Chairman

Date: