

Minutes of the Community Education Committee
Thursday, September 29, 2011
4:00 P.M.
Conference Call

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Adam Smith at 4:04 p.m.

Those present: Frank Peterson, Matt Baumgarten, Jeff Lawson, Michael Young and Adam Smith

Discussion regarding the transfer of the MLGMA Winter Conference Student Session activity from the Community Education Committee (CEC) to the recently formed Next Gen Committee. Motion for transfer of said activity by Frank Peterson, second by Matt Baumgarten. The 2012 event would act as a transitional activity with assistance of CEC liaisons. The importance and need for continuation of the student session program was reiterated by Michael Young. All in favor. Chairperson A. Smith to notify the Next Gen Committee.

Discussion regarding future focus of Community Education Committee goals and objectives:

1. Continue to develop and promote the High School curriculum for local government.
2. Develop and fund a program for local government curriculum target at the middle school level of youth.
3. Work with communities and universities to establish and encourage internship programs, utilizing resources and promotional opportunities of the ICMA.
4. Work with local Michigan colleges on the Fellowship programs, attendance at the Winter Institute, as well as other options to promote the manager-council form of government and encourage students to review the profession as a positive opportunity.

Some historical perspective of the committee was provided by past Chairperson Michael Young.

The 2012 edition of local government internship opportunities document will be focus of next CEC meeting to be held in late October. Project to be finalized December 2, 2011.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Chairperson A. Smith