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Arizona County Clerks Association (ACCA)

Legislative Committee Steve Peru, Coconino County Clerk Fran McCarroll, Maricopa County Clerk Bev Staddon, Yavapai County Clerk

DATE:	December 17, 1998
TO:	All County Clerks and Deputy Clerks
FROM:	Sandal Richard, Navajo County Deputy Clerk
	Notes from ACCA Meeting of 12/2/98

Judy asked me to put together some of the main items of discussion at the December 2 meeting held in Phoenix in conjunction with AACo. Since the Winter Retreat is right around the corner, she thought it would be helpful for everyone to have as we start thinking about the February meeting.

Comments/Concerns re Proposed Legislation on Publishing Minutes:

Steve Besich/Gila:	Felt we should align ACCA more with CSA & County Managers vs AACo Recommended going through w/legislation this year. No one is running for elections this year; it will cost the state nothing; it would be a good thing for the legislature to do to save county taxpayers money.
Fran McCarroll:	Concern about raising the issue of warrants for those counties who are not publishing them now.
Steve Peru:	Suggested ACCA might want to run the legislation ourselves instead of through CSA.
Fran:	Fran has lobbyist forms if ACCA decides to file as such. The cost is only \$25.
Steve B:	Recommended we use as many lobbyists as we can.

Consensus was to go ahead with housekeeping legislative items but to hold off until next year on the "agenda report" legislation, so that we have our act together first. Meanwhile, the action plan is to:

- 1. At the Winter Retreat:
 - a. Finalize the language for the bill.
 - b. Decide who will run the bill.

- c. Have target dates from all counties on when they will have Websites (for minutes) to show that we are already providing public access.
- 2. Obtain support from Board members & County Managers.
- 3. Meet & negotiate, if possible, with Newspaper Assn & local newspapers.
- 4. Meet w/Az Tax Research to obtain support (or find out if there is any opposition).
- 5. Make cities & towns aware of plan (possible impact on them may motivate their support).

Other Items of Discussion:

- 1. Dates/location for Winter Retreat: February 4-6 in Prescott. Bev Staddon will check on hotels, prices, etc.
- 2. Policy for sending flowers/gifts: Consensus was that the President could authorize the Treasurer to pay for flowers sent to members.
- 3. We will hold election of officers for 1999 at the Winter Retreat. Judy asked that everyone be thinking about nominee(s) for President.

Best wishes to everyone for HAPPY, HEALTHY, SAFE HOLIDAYS! We look forward to seeing you in February. Please send any agenda items you think of to Judy. She will be working on the agenda as soon as she returns from her Christmas trip to Missouri.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!