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**TO: COUNTY CLERKS** 

FR: STEVE PERU, COCONINO COUNTY CLERK

**RE: NOTES FROM AACo MEETING** 

Attached are my notes from our meeting held during the recent AACo conference. For those of you who were not able to attend, we are in the process of compiling information on what each county budgets for publication/advertisement and of this total, how much of the budget is dedicated to the publication of minutes. You can mail this information to me at 219 E. Cherry, Flagstaff, AZ 86001, or fax it to 520.779.6687, or e-mail it to speru@co.coconino.az.us.

Hope you are all having a great summer!

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### AACO Mid Year Conference Arizona County Clerks Assoc. Meeting

### Wednesday, June 16, 1999

### **MEETING MINUTES**

Treasurer - \$3,914.70 currently in treasury (before sale of T-shirts)

Newsletter - A sample newsletter was generated by Sandal in Navajo County (thanks!)

- A newsletter would be produced and distributed two times per year
  - The Association President would be responsible for producing the newsletter
  - All Counties committed themselves to contributing articles.
- Deadline to submit newsletter items mid July

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- Steve reported that the City Clerk's Association produces a Newsletter - he will send out copies for member review

# Southwest Leadership Program

- Carol Whitaker was present to thank the Clerk's for offering to sponsor a scholarship for a member of the Clerk's Association to attend the Leadership Program.
- Carol reported that Arizona Public Service provides scholarships to attendees from the A.P.S. service area

## Legistative Committee

- Senator Randall Gnant, much to our good fortune, dropped in on the Clerk's meeting
- A brief explanation of the Clerk's intent to introduce legislation related to minutes was provided to Senator Gnant; the Senator expressed support for such legislation and offered to assist the Clerk's
- The Senator suggested that Phil McDonald and Charles Straum of the Arizona Newspaper Association be contacted to provide a reaction to the proposed legislation
- The Senator recommended that the Clerk's develop a fall back, possibly proposed legislation requiring all public bodies to adhere to the same minutes publication requirement as Counties.
  - The Senator asked that if there were any other "antiquated" statutes the Clerks might want to review their statutes similar to how the treasurers recently reviewed theirs, which resulted in several changes.

## MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED Wednesday, June 16, 1999

- Mention was made of possibly having the statutes changed to not require publication of warrants, this needs more discussion
- Steve asked all clerks to provide him with the following information
  - total budget for publication
  - cost of publication for minutes

#### **IIMC Conference**

Lori G. Reported on her attendance at the recent IIMC Conference and provided a handout on a conference session entitled "So, You'd Like To Be A Registered Parliamentarian", based on the 1990 version of <u>Robert's Rules of Order</u>

#### Misc.

- Discussion on the Arizona Clerk's Academy took place. The Academy is provided by Arizona State University and is held in Phoenix each February
- After discussing the benefits of attending the program. A motion was made by Kay Gale to send Judy Jones to the next Academy with the Clerk's Association paying for her registration dues. The motion carried unanimously.
- Ina Wintrich, Director of the Academy, was suggested as a Speaker for the Clerk's Summer Retreat

The group adjourned at 3:40p.m. for a quick recess to allow members to visit the vendor displays at the conference.