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Dear Member,

"We Are Family"... (sing along if you know this one - Sly and the Family Stone)

As I travel from state to state, it is so true - we are family. Very much alike, do things similarly, called by different names - 17 different names to be exact. We may be COE, BOCES, ESC, or ESDs, but we do many of the same functions. Thanks to the many organizations who have so willingly shared information with each other. It is one of the characteristics that make us who we are!

Summer Leadership Conference - Save the Date!

Next Summer's Leadership Conference will be on July 14-17, 2014 in Santa Fe, New Mexico at the La Fonda. The planners are gearing up for another great professional development opportunity. Mark your calendars now and watch for details.

New Council Members Take Office - Spring 2014

Three new council members will be taking office in the Spring of 2014. Three regions were up for election - West, Central, and East - with the South region having a bye. Each region only had one nomination for the council and according to the AESA bylaws could then be accepted by the council without going through the formal election process. We welcome Jeff West, Nebraska (central region) - David Branch, Ohio (eastern region), and Mike Cook, Kansas (western region) as newly elected council members.

Member Requests

The Oregon Association of ESDs are looking for orientation models for new

superintendents and board members that ESAs might be using around the country. If you have something you are willing to share, would you send it to Jammie Muth at jammiem@scesd.k12.or.us? Thanks so much for any help you can provide.

Another request is looking for recommendations for an ESA fund balance policy. Would you be willing to share what your agency does - percentage, 2-3 months operating, contract obligations???? - whatever, it will be helpful. Respond to pyoung@aesa.us.

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