1997 Annual Mtg. – Orlando

Horace Mann League Minutes of the Annual Meeting February 13, 1997 Orlando, FL

Meeting presided by Terry Grier, President Meeting called to order at 4:15 pm.

Present: Terry Grier, Cleveland Hammonds, Jane Hammond, Kenneth Bird, Larry Dlugosh, Judy Ferguson, Spike Jorgensen, Stuart Thompson, and Jack McKay

Absent: Paul Houston, Benjamin Canada, Virginia Grzymkowski, Joan Kowal, Thomas Persing, Beverly Reep, Scott Rose, Charles Scott, and Art Steller.

- 1. Motion to approve minutes of June 29-30, 1996, made by Cleveland, seconded by Ken Bird. Passed.
- 2. Membership update: 521 paid 1996 membership, 728 on mailing list.
- 3. Reviewed Annual Meeting and Luncheon arrangements.

- 4. Reviewed Strategic Plan:
- 4.1 Reviewed marketing strategies of The Art of Teaching book. 606 sold, 215 gifts, 86 inventory.
- 4.2 Reviewed progress on federal approval of a Horace Mann postage stamp. Encouraged to submit letters of support.
- 4.3 Reviewed and made recommendations for the HML web site. Discussion of sensitivity of including articles and research that may jeopardize superintendent school board relations.
- 4.4 Reviewed proposed draft of the HML Foundation. Motion to establish the Horace Mann League Foundation made by Spike Jorgenson, seconded by Ken Bird.
- 4.5 Reviewed results of the HML Survey of Destructive Factors. Discussed process of making presentation at the annual meeting.

- 4.6 Reviewed presentation format for luncheon, AASA, and NSBA presentations.
- 4.7 Reviewed concept of developing a list of experts on public education.
- 4.8 Reviewed concept of sharing "Top Ten Factors" with state and federal government leaders.
- 4.9 Reviewed strategies for monitoring state and federal legislation and judicial decisions. Three attorneys have agreed to provide monitoring service for the League.
- 4.10 Reviewed concept of developing a recruitment packet for potential new members.
- 4.11 Reviewed strategies for recruitment of new members. Further discussion on membership target.

- 4.12 Reviewed format for ad-hoc meeting of members at a pre-luncheon meeting.
- 4.13 Reviewed Awards presentation.
- 4.13.1 Reviewed feasibility of an award for 15 or more years of membership.
- 4.13.2 Reviewed the Outstanding Educator Award (Dr. David Berliner).
- 4.13.3 Reviewed the presenting of the Ambassador Award (Roberta Jackson, Judy Ferguson, Doug Townsend, Art Steller, and Terry Grier
- 4.14. Reviewed nominations for officers and Board.
- 4.15 Approved 1997 budget.
- 4.16 Approved Summer Board of Directors' meeting for June. Travel and lodging not

included.

5. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm