

**Child Support Schedule Workgroup
Meeting of January 11, 2008
Phoenix Inn
Olympia, Washington**

Attendees: David Stillman, Representative Jim Moeller, Senator Jim Kastama, Senator Mike Carrell, Kathleen Schmidt, Commissioner Rich Gallaher, Merrie Gough, Angela Cuevas, Jason Doudt, David Spring, Kristie Dimak, ALJ Robert Krabill, Michelle Maddox, Colleen Sachs, Judge Christine Pomeroy .

Staff: Ellen Nolan, Nancy Koptur, Mitchelin Wolff, Carla Sharp

Guests: Greg Howe, Levi Fisher, David Hogan, Bob Shirley, Lianne Malloy, Joe Corum, Bill Harrington, Elisa Teague-Cooper, Lawrence Nutt, Doug Martin, Ohi Coy, Mark Coy, Michelle Lewis

- 1. Introductions.**
- 2. Agenda Reviewed.** David Stillman added the topic of a review of the Workgroup's Ground Rules.
- 3. Administrative Matters.** Workgroup member introductions. The group reviewed and discussed materials requested from prior meetings; the minutes from the prior meeting were adopted with minor changes; the subcommittee on meeting dates reported their suggested dates for future meetings: 2/29/08 in the Olympia area; 3/28/08 and 4/25/08 at SeaTac; 5/17/07 in Spokane for a combined working session and public meeting; and 6/27/08 at SeaTac; the subcommittee recommended at least three public meetings, preferably Seattle, Spokane and Vancouver.
- 4. Discussion of shared income model.** David Stillman posed a compound question to be answered by each Workgroup member: Give us an overview of your thoughts on whether to continue to use the shared income model. If not, why not? If yes, why? Also, what should be our next steps? Each member gave an opinion.
- 5. Public Comments.** Public comments were made by Mark Coy, Elisa Teague-Cooper, Lawrence Hutt and Greg Howe
- 6. Action Items:**
 - **Subcommittee** to meet by phone (coordinated by Bob Shirley of DCS) to come up with a recommendation on what items the group needs to look at, including the 4 consensus items identified by ALJ Krabill: (1) both parents' income should be considered; (2) there should be a presumptive minimum obligation even for those with very little income; (3) the support for one child should be somewhere in the range of 15% - 25% of the parents' combined net income; (4) there should be a self support reserve. ALJ Krabill mentioned that it appears that the group is OK with the incremental increases for two or more children; however it was unclear whether this fifth item had group support. Volunteers for the committee were Kathleen Schmidt (added by David Stillman in her absence), David Spring, ALJ Robert Krabill.
 - **Re-read** the recommendations from the 2005 Workgroup Report
- 7. Next meeting:** Friday, February 29, 2008 at Tumwater Valley Lodge, Tumwater WA, from 9:00 – 3:00. Agenda items to include a review of today's discussion, a vote on consensus items, and a review of those of the 14 issues which were designated priority items.