

NCEP Year to Date Review

(2005-2006)

Tier I and II States



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WHEN YOU WISH UPON A FALLING STAR, YOUR DREAMS CAN COME TRUE.

UNLESS IT'S REALLY A METEORITE HURTLING TO THE EARTH WHICH WILL DESTROY ALL LIFE.

THEN YOU'RE PRETTY MUCH HOSED NO MATTER WHAT YOU WISH FOR. UNLESS IT'S DEATH BY METEOR.



Original Tier I states

- Arizona
- Georgia
- Pennsylvania
- South Carolina
- Ohio



Initial Tier II States

- Missouri
- Indiana
- Florida



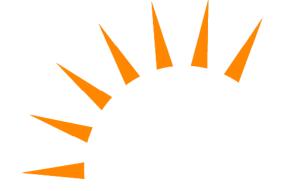
2005 Gains Accomplished

- Georgia
- Indiana
- Missouri



WORTH

JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE NECESSARY DOESN'T MEAN YOU'RE IMPORTANT.



Georgia

 NCEP team resurrected SB 35 with significant changes, the blanket waiver was reinstated, term changed from a maximum of 5 to a minimum of 5, some funding improvements and new alliances created.



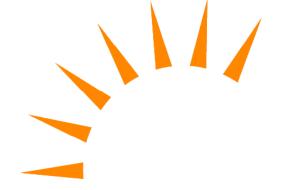
Indiana

• Bill SB-598, passed on April 29, 2005, fixes charter funding and allows for virtual schools.



Missouri

 This added state received our focus and input for a period of time and as a result, gave authorizers the funding they had been seeking to enable them to charter additional schools. Virtuals were also on the table at the time and enabled later through non-charter means.



Disasters Avoided

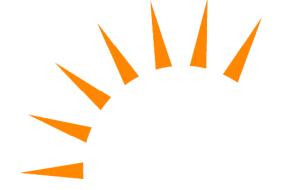
 Ohio - Limitations on charter regulations were scaled back because of NCEP involvement. Issues still in play.



PLANNING

MUCH WORK REMAINS TO BE DONE BEFORE WE CAN ANNOUNCE OUR TOTAL FAILURE TO MAKE ANY PROGRESS.

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2006 Gains Accomplished

- Florida
- Georgia
- (South Carolina)



Florida

 New authorizer in the form of the Florida Schools of Excellence Commission was passed with NCEP the leading driver of changes. A number of technical corrections were made to the law as well.



NEPOTISM

WE PROMOTE FAMILY VALUES HERE-ALMOST AS OFTEN AS WE PROMOTE FAMILY MEMBERS.

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Georgia

 Connections Academy was actively engaged in efforts to pass SB 610, which passed. The bill states nothing shall preclude the use of computer and Internet-based instruction for students in a virtual or remote setting.



(South Carolina)

 In parentheses because current school formulas were improved, an authorizer was added but not with commensurate funding.



Disasters Avoided

 Maryland - The "Pinsky bill" would have dealt a bad blow to for-profit companies.
 With the efforts of Edison Schools, the bill was defeated in the Senate by a vote of 23-24. It died in the House.



APATHY

IF WE DON'T TAKE CARE OF THE CUSTOMER, MAYBE THEY'LL STOP BUGGING US.

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Close Call Arizona

- NCEP Foundation laid over a year ago.
- Governor open to continued discussions.
- Priorities shifted and focus moved.
- A bill allowing for a public university, college or community college to sponsor a charter school passed the House.



Progress



Federal Interaction

 Meetings continue with Congressional and Department of Education officials on correcting biases in federal statutes and their interpretations.



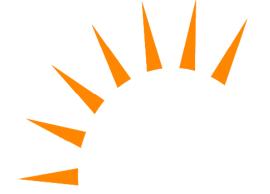
SACRIFICE

YOUR ROLE MAY BE THANKLESS, BUT IF YOU'RE WILLING TO GIVE IT YOUR ALL, YOU JUST MIGHT BRING SUCCESS TO THOSE WHO OUTLAST YOU.



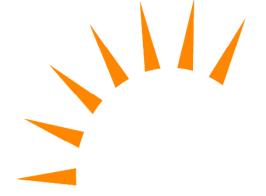
New York

- Veto override puts us back at square one.
- NYCSA is currently running ads calling legislators not supporting a cap increase to task.
- Negative coverage in the press due to the designated targets of the attacks.
- TAC spent several weeks pursing the Governor and members, organizing parent outreach efforts and doing behind the scenes ad support.
- Time to regroup and recharge.



Ohio

 Discussions continue with grassroots operatives moving to create a revitalized association. New regulations delayed at least a year for further study.



Virginia

 Work has begun through individual members to convince the Speaker and others to consider a bill that would permit multiple authorizers.
 Possible NCEP target.



Next State Targets

Members were solicited for top five states. Among a limited number of members they are: Connecticut, Georgia, New Jersey, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, Wyoming.

Discussion on next steps follows.



RETIREMENT

BECAUSE YOU'VE GIVEN SO MUCH OF YOURSELF TO THE COMPANY THAT YOU DON'T HAVE ANYTHING LEFT WE CAN USE.