Minutes
Association of Small Business Development Centers
Board of Directors

Date: April 22 & 23, 2003
Place: Conference Call

Board Members Present	Clinton Tymes	Diane Wolverton
	Erica Kauten	Grady Pennington
	Don Wilson	Doug Gurley
	Liz Klimback	Don Kelpinski
	Jim Hogge	Mike York

Others Present:	Ron Manning	Mary Wilkerson
	Jody Keenten	Carmen Marti

The meeting began at 1:08 EDT April 22, 2003.

Approval of minutes 3/25/03

March 2 & 25 need to be approved.

Chair Opening remarks – Clinton Tymes. The following issues were discussed.
1. Program Announcement – Meeting with Johnnie Albertson and others to discuss issues.
2. Reporting Monthly

President's Report – Don Wilson

Regional Administrator Meeting. Kaaren Johnson-Street is committed to developing meetings with the SBA Administrator/Deputy Administrator, Regional Administrator, DD, State Directors, SBA staff. Dates are being developed.

Reauthorization Senate Roundtable. Support for ASBDC from other associations against the SBA changes to the authorization. Sen. Kerry was very supportive of the ASBDC concerns.

Swinney Bill has passed the house. MOU developed with P2 and EPA Small Business Assistance Program and signed. Provides support to Swinney Bill.

Native American Bill has passed the house.

Veteran's Bill has been introduced in the House that allows vet benefits to be used for NxLeveL/FastTrac.

Energy Bill will be introduced which may provide funding for SBDCs.

California- A Bidders conference will be held in the next three days.

Counselor Certification: The Board discussed how do we structure such a program. There is a committee investigating the potential options. www.proexam.org is a potential partner.

Conference: Speakers have been selected and contracts are being developed for 2003. Conference facility for 2005 has been selected – Baltimore.

Next Meeting

Conference Call: April 22, 2003.
Quarterly Board Meeting: June 20-21 in Kansas City.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 EST, March 2, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Hogge