

MEMORANDUM

TO: CARL STOVER
FROM: AL DE GRAZIA
DATE: JANUARY 23, 1979
SUBJECT: COLLEGE OF CONSULTANTS IN CULTURE SUPPORT (CCCS)

1. The CCCS is a proposed association of experts, mainly political scientists, who have a special interest in the public and governmental relations of the arts and culture, organized to counsel to states arts and culture agencies and such other governmental culture groups as may find their services useful, within the limits of CCCS capability. CCCS would aim to have one member at least from each state, with such additional members from the more active and populous states as the CCCS would deem advisable.
2. The need for the services of such a group is evident: few of the 50 states arts councils and 2000 (soon) community agencies have much experience in political, governmental, and administrative law. Probably an inquiry as to the value of a CCCS would produce a favorable response from the agencies. It would give the arts and culture movement some of the muscle that the environmentalists have displayed in their equally rapid rise to prominence in the past ten years.
3. The CCCS would have a corporate form (or be part of an existing corporation). It would have a small office, outside of Washington. It would have a clearinghouse of information and skills. It would have an elective leadership, perhaps based upon the newly forming Council of the Conference in Government and the Arts, presently led by Professor Kevin V. Bulcahy of Claremont Men's College (Dept. of Pol. Sci., Pitzer Hall, Claremont, CA 91711, tel. 714/621-8000 ext. 3388).
4. The CCCS would be sponsored by the APSA, ASPA, NEH, NEA, SCG, and CR, with CR acting as liaison with the group.
5. The group would seek funds, with CR and other help, from a foundation such as the Hubert Humphrey Foundation at the University of Minnesota. An annual budget of \$50,000 is foreseen, with a guaranteed tenure of three years. The funds would be spent in these rough propositions:

\$ 12,000	- office, communications, and part-time secretarial help
10,000	- annual conference on Cultural Development and Governmental Relations, perhaps in connection with the annual APSA Convention.
20,000	- travel expenses within states by the members of the College and for special interstate trips by

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8,000

--CR for resources development and maintenance
of national contracts in cooperation with CCCS.

TOTAL \$ 50,000 !

6. I talked to Evron Kirkpatrick, Executive Director of the American Political Science Association, January 22. He likes the idea, will lend any support that would appear prudent, but does not hold high hopes for support from the H.H. Foundation on whose advisory committee he serves. Anyhow, the field is cleared for action so far as he is concerned. He suggested I call Art Naftalin, which I did, without yet reaching him.
7. Jack Skuce says we should try Phil Stern of the Stern Family Fund.
8. I guess we had better have a word on the subject.