



Board Members			Committee Chairs		
President	Cindy West	Present	Annual Conference	Ryan Luckett	Present
1 st Vice President	Linda Cook	Present	Career Development	Tamara Ellison	Absent
2 nd Vice President	Ashlan Troutman-Webb	Present	Communications	Melanie Chandler	Absent
Treasurer	Donna McGinnis	Present	Government Relations/Strategic Planning	Carlos Encinas	Absent
Secretary	Tashana Rivers	Present	Membership	Marlena Joseph	Absent
Director	Amy Bennett	Present	Scholarship/Awards	Ivey Adams	Absent
Director	Ramona Bivins	Absent	Technical Resources	Kevin Hutcheson	Absent
Past President	Sheryl Bowman	Present	Technical Resources	Jennifer Chamblee	Present
Director	Jennifer Fricks	Present	Technical Resources	Sue Joe	Absent
Director	Susan Van Nus	Present			
Historian	Angie Sorrow	Present			

CALL TO ORDER

President Cindy West called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes for the August 09, 2024, Business Meeting was made by Angie Sorrow and seconded by Linda Cook. **All motions passed unanimously.**

TREASURY REPORT

The current balance is \$582,236.07, with \$184,741.42 at Truist Bank and \$397,494.65 at Vanguard as of September 30, 2024. The 9/30/24 statements from both institutions will be available and reconciled by October 2, 2024. A balance sheet will be prepared along with a budgetary report for presentation during the business meeting held during the Annual Conference with effective dates of 9/30/24. In recent days, we've had the usual purchasing activity associated with raffles and gifts associated with conference activity. Donna will bring copies of the reports to the business meeting and will answer any questions at that time.



NEW BUSINESS:

- **Raffle Sign-Up Sheet-** President Cindy West stated everyone has done a great job with signing up to volunteer at the scholarship table. This is so individuals have the opportunity to receive their credits. Many Counties and Cities require proof of these credits. Ryan Lockett agreed to ask members of the conference committee to assist with volunteering when needed.
- **Committee Sign-Up Table-** President Cindy West added a committee sign-up table next to the scholarship table. There will be clipboards and sign-up sheets available for attendees who are interested in volunteering in various departments. The Chairperson can reach out to these individuals at the conference.
- **Prizes-** President Cindy asked if the board members could assist with handing out prizes on Wednesday to help speed up the process.
- **Business Lunch-** President Cindy mentioned several members will be sitting on the stage with reserved tables for the remaining committee members. The individuals will be notified during that time.
- **Bag Assembly-** President Cindy asked if someone could bring a cooler of ice with water while assembling the bags. Linda Cook agreed to bring these items and Jennifer Fricks will bring the cooler. They will meet at 9 am to assemble the bags.
- **Thank You Cards-** President Cindy created thank you cards for the sponsors, speakers, and exhibitors and signed the GGFOA Board to show our appreciation. We will give out welcome cards to first-time attendees.



COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Annual Conference** – Ryan Lockett went over the conference schedule. He shared his screen and displayed the schedule for all to see. He asked if anyone had questions. Sunday will be the first-time attendee reception at 1:30 pm. There will be a brief program at the reception. President Cindy West, Linda Cook, and John Hulsey will be our guest speakers. General Sessions will begin at 2:30 pm and 4:00 pm. John Hulsey will be moderating most of the general sessions. There is a brief break scheduled between the two sessions at 3:45 pm. Cocktail Connections will start at 5:00 pm. The attendees will receive two drink tickets to use during this time. There will be a treasure hunt. The attendees will pick a small bag with one gold coin in it with the opportunity to get more while engaging with exhibitors. They can trade these coins for raffle tickets during Wednesday's drawing. This information has been provided to the exhibitors as well. There will be drinks and hors d'oeuvres during this time. Committee members will assist with setting up the tables for the dinner, which will start at 6:30 pm on Sunday. The entertainment will start at 7:30 pm with Comedian Danny Adams. On Monday breakfast will start at 7:00 am. Announcements will start at 8:15 pm. We will give away 10 gifts each morning for people who scan in successfully. The Diamond sponsors will have 1-2 minutes each morning to welcome everyone. General sessions will start at 8:30 am various breaks. There will be a refreshment break at 10:45 am in the exhibit hall. There will be box lunches on Monday with informal break-out lunches. The moderators are secured for the break-out lunches. During lunch on Tuesday, Cindy, Linda, Donna, Tashana, Sheryl, and Angie will sit on the stage. The remaining committee chairs will sit at the two reserved tables. Tuesday's schedule is like Monday's with announcements, breaks, and general sessions. During Tuesday's business lunch, John Hulsey will ask all the board and committee members to get their food first. John will call the numbers on the tables this year to help organize the lines. The luncheon will start at 12:45 pm. The program is the same format as prior years. We will be recognizing a lot of people who graduated from various programs, Officers, Committee Chairs, etc. Guest must have their name badges for the luncheon. Pictures will be taken afterward. Wednesday will continue with announcements, general sessions, and breaks. Linda will give closing remarks at 11:30 am with the scholarship committee and general conference raffle prizes. There will be a brief board meeting at 11:00 am on Sunday to address any questions. They will provide box lunches at that time. Ryan asked who would take pictures. Linda recommended asking John Hulsey if someone with Carl Vinson would volunteer. President Cindy agreed to ask him. Jennifer Fricks asked about access to the Facebook page to post throughout the conference. Ryan Lockett stated Sue has the login access.
- **Career Development** – Tamara Ellison has no update to report. Absent
- **Communications** – Melanie Chandler was absent but reported she will get the new format for the quarterly newsletter out by October 4, 2024. If anyone wanted to add something to the newsletter get it to her by 10:00 am.



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- **Government Relations/Strategic Planning** – Carlos Encinas has no updates to report. Absent
 - **Membership**- Marlena Joseph has no updates to report. Absent
 - **Scholarship/Awards**- Ivy Adam has no updates to report. Absent
 - **Technical Resources**- Jennifer Chamblee has no updates to report. Present

OFFICER AND DIRECTOR DISCUSSION:

President- Cindy West ask all the Committee Chairs to be ready with reports on Tuesday.

1st Vice-President- Linda Cook. Nothing to report.

2nd Vice-President- Ashlan Troutman Webb Absent. Nothing to report.

Treasurer- Donna McGinnis. Nothing to report.

Secretary- Tashana Rivers. Nothing to report

Historian- Angie Sorrow. Nothing to report.

Past President- Sheryl Bowman volunteered to deliver the membership committee report in Marlena Joseph's absence. She congratulated everyone on doing a good job.

Director- Amy Bennett. Nothing to report.

Director- Susan Van Nus thanked everyone for signing up for the scholarship booth. She asked for more clarity on the scholarship table and receiving your CPEs. President Cindy provided clarity. Susan emailed the schedule to the board.

Director- Jennifer Fricks. Nothing to report.

Director- Ramona Bivins. Nothing to report. Absent

ADJOURNMENT

Cindy West adjourned the meeting at 4:48 p.m.