



**BOARD MEMBERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS – Present & Absent**

Board Members			Committee Chairs		
President	<b>Dena Bosten</b>	Present	Annual Conference	<b>Ashlan Troutman Webb</b>	Present
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	<b>Angie Sorrow</b>	Present		<b>Jennifer Fricks</b>	Present
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	<b>Sheryl Bowman</b>	Absent	Career Development	<b>Ramona Bivins</b>	Present
Treasurer	<b>Cindy West</b>	Present	Communications	<b>Donna Todd</b>	Present
Secretary	<b>Linda Cook</b>	Present	Government Relations/Strategic Planning	<b>Carlos Encinas</b>	Absent
Director	<b>Abby Branan</b>	Present	Membership	<b>Amy Bennett</b>	Present
Director	<b>Vita Dotson</b>	Present	Scholarship/Awards	<b>Jennifer Fricks</b>	Present
Director	<b>Susan Van Nus</b>	Present	Technical Resources	<b>Kevin Hutcheson</b>	Present
Director	<b>Lisa Williams</b>	Present			
Historian	<b>Chiquita Danzy</b>	Present			
Past President	<b>Laurie Puckett</b>	Absent			

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Dena Bosten called the meeting to order at 11:38 a.m.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Nothing to Report

**NEW BUSINESS**

Dena welcomed the Board Members and the Committee Chairs. Dena asked if the board should meet in person or virtually and potential dates and times. Jennifer Fricks suggested two meetings in person and two virtual and thought Fridays would be best.

Dena stated that committee involvement has decreased and asked for ideas to increase participation. The following ideas were discussed:

- Create a newsletter
- Create a video explaining the various committees and place on the GGFOA website
- Provide more detail on the website about committees
- Provide information on the time commitment for each committee
- Periodic email blast providing information about committees and requesting volunteers
- Provide more recognition
- Committee chair to recognize one member that goes above and beyond
- Set up table at next conference to display information about the committees
- Incorporate informative slides into the current general session slide show
- Provide discount on the membership fee for volunteering
- During renewal of annual membership fee, have boxes members can check for committees they are interested in
- Split up large committees such as the annual conference committee into sub committees
- During Wednesday News You Can Use sessions, provide information on committees
- Call members who attended the training



Dena said she would email tentative dates for the board meetings soon and asked for ideas on the best location. It was suggested that a central location for all board members and committee chairs should be chosen.

Dena said she is researching hiring a part-time or full-time executive position for GGFOA. It was agreed that GGFOA continues to grow in membership and GGFOA needs someone that has an overall picture of the responsibilities required to keep the organization on track.

A general discussion took place about establishing a community board or list serve for GGFOA. Currently ACCG and GMA provide a list serve, but it would be beneficial to have everyone on the same list serve.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Annual Conference** – Ashlan Troutman thanked everyone for their help during the conference. She stated the time commitment is overwhelming and she has some ideas for streamlining some of the duties to reduce the workload. She is working with some of the vendors on partnership options and providing these vendors with opportunities to present for the Wednesday News You Can Use sessions. She stated she is meeting with Carl Vinson Institute of Government to review what worked well or not so well for this conference.

Ashlan stated that she is reviewing the sponsorship levels again and welcomes suggestions. Dena mentioned that GGFOA is growing too large for some venues and GGFOA may need to poll the members about moving the dates of the conference.

**Career Development** – Ramona Bivins shared the following schedule for the Wednesday News You Can Use sessions:

**FY2022 SCHEDULE**

Date	Topic	Presenter
Wednesday, September 8, 2021	ARPA Accounting and Reporting	Hope Pendergrass, Mauldin & Jenkins
Wednesday, November 10, 2021	Financial Reporting and Data Viz	TBD
Wednesday, December 15, 2021	ARPA Round Table	Mauldin & Jenkins
Wednesday, January 26, 2022	Cybersecurity	Brian Garrison, Clayton County
Wednesday, April 20, 2022	Fraud	TBD
Wednesday, May 25, 2022	Bond Issuance	Ed Wall, Piper Sandler

**Communications** – Donna Todd stated she will do her best this year and is excited about serving.

**Government Relations/Strategic Planning** – Dena filled in to explain that Carlos Encinas will be keeping GGFOA up to date on legislative items and reviewing the strategic plan. GGFOA decides whether to support or oppose legislative issues.



**Membership** – Amy Bennett stated that she is exploring ideas to increase membership.

**Scholarship/Awards** – Jennifer Fricks stated that she has served on the scholarship committee in the past and looks forward to serving again.

**Technical Resources** - Kevin Hutcheson stated that he is also looking forward to this year and feels confident that he can handle the technical duties.

### **OFFICER AND DIRECTOR DISCUSSION**

**1<sup>ST</sup> Vice President** – Angie Sorrow stated she is available to help.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President** – NA

**Treasurer** – Cindy West said she is looking forward to serving as the Treasurer.

**Secretary** – Linda Cook stated she is looking forward to serving and is available to help.

### **Directors**

**Abby Branam** – Abby said this is my first meeting so nothing to report. Just looking for to serving.

**Vita Dotson** – Vita stated that she is looking forward to helping and that we should consider having a shared calendar to keep everyone on track. Dena added that we need to work on providing the procedures and a packet for each position.

**Susan Van Nus** – Susan provided an update about the scholarship raffle and stated that she will help Jennifer Fricks with the scholarship committee.

**Lisa Williams** – Lisa stated she is looking forward to serving on the board and will research various programs for sharing calendars and documents between the GGFOA board and committee chairs.

**Chiquita Danzy** – Chiquita stated she is available to help anyone.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Dena Bosten stated that she appreciated everyone volunteering to help this year. Angie Sorrow made the motion to adjourn and Linda Cook seconded it. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 1:13.