

Georgia Government Finance Officers Association  
Executive Board Meeting  
September 28, 2014  
Savannah Hilton DeSoto

Board Members Present:	Jim Pehrson	Diane McNabb	Arleen Samuels
	Alicia Serra	Lori Sayer	
	Mike Bush	Wayne Putnal	
Board Members Absent:	Cindy Campbell	Dena Bosten	Larry Johnson
Committee Chairs Present:	Rachel Bemby	Jennifer Houston	Chiquita O Danzy
	Alisha Gamble		

Jim Pehrson, President called the meeting to order.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The approval of the minutes of the 8/22/14 Board meeting was delayed until Wednesday, October 1.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Mike Bush gave the Treasurer’s report. Arleen Samuels made a motion to accept the Treasurers report. It was seconded by Lori Sayer. The motion passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Revision of Policies and Procedures – Jim Pehrson has made some revisions to the Policies and Procedures. He said he could send out copies for the board to look over. Alicia suggested that we wait until we see what is going to change with the new website so all the changes can be made at the same time.

Status of Lowering Bank Charges – Jim Pehrson said Sallie Foell is looking into what she can do.

IRS Form 990 – Mike Bush signed and mailed.

Status of RFP for accounting services - Jim Pehrson will reach out to some firms and get the info to Alicia in the next couple of weeks.

Retiree Membership – We could not vote on this at the Conference this year because we didn’t send out a notice in time to the membership. We did make a questionnaire asking if the members were in favor of his. We also added a question on allowing vendors who work for governments 100% of the time to be on the Board and be officers.

List Serve Credit – We were given a \$1,000 credit from GMA. This will be applied to the monthly payment.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Annual Conference:** - Everything is ready for the Conference. The attendance is so good that we are running tight on break out session space. We will have one class in The Knights of Columbus, a building across the street. The weather looked a lot like rain so the reception had to be moved indoors.

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**Career Development:** In Tracy Arner's absence, John Hulsey gave the report. The next webinars are:

Nov 5 – Bringing a Compliance Ethic to Revenue Collection.

Jan 28 – Merchant Services - \$\$, Data and Risk

Apr 8 – Understanding Tax Abatements

May 20 – Grant Management Strategies

**Communications:** The next newsletter will be published 10/31. It will contain articles about the conference.

**Government Relations:** No report.

**Membership:** No report.

**Scholarship/Awards:** Chiquita Danzy reported that we will be giving out the following scholarships.

Level 1 Finance Officer Certification:

Dustin Farron – Henry County Board of Commissioners

Typhanie Ansley – Hall County Board of Commissioners

Conference Stipend:

Denise Stiles – City of Covington

Nina Mallard – City of College Park

Annual Scholarship:

Ruth Francis – Mercer University student

Ashley Smith – Mercer University student

We have four baskets for the silent auction.

Jim Pehrson explained that GFOA has 2 scholarship they will give us to use every other year. We can add these to our list of scholarships.

**Technical Resources:** Peter Floyd will be the new Committee Chairman. We will need to take pictures of the conference for the website.

**Past President:** John Hulsey stated he believes we have a good slate of officers this year.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:** Alicia presented Jim with a gift as he leaves office.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President/Treasurer:** Nothing to report

**Secretary:** Nothing to report.

**Directors:**

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Dena Boston – Nothing to report.

Lori Sayer – Nothing to report.

Arleen Samuels – Nothing to report.

Wayne Putnal – Nothing to report.

The next meeting will be held at the Wednesday, Oct 1 in the Lafayette Room at 12:00.

Wayne Putnal made a motion that we adjourn the meeting. Lori Sayer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.