

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Alicia Serra Mike Bush Diane McNabb
Wayne Putnal Dena Bosten Arleen Samuels
Alisha Gamble Chiquita Danzy

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Lori Sayer Jim Pehrson John Hulsey

COMMITTEE CHAIRS PRESENT: Rachel Bembry Anna Payne Dan Defnall
Linda Cook

CALL TO ORDER

President Alicia Serra called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes of the August 22, 2014 Board Meeting was made by Arleen Samuels and seconded by Wayne Putnal. ***Motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously.***

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mike Bush had nothing to report other than the same information that was presented at the annual business luncheon.

OLD BUSINESS

Revision of Policies and Procedures – Alicia reported that we will continue to work through updating the policies and procedures.

NEW BUSINESS

Welcome of New Board – Alicia welcomed all new board members and introduced new committee chairs present.

Budget 2014-2015 – Alicia called for a motion to postpone budget adoption until next board meeting because we haven't received all conference invoices. Motion was made by Diane McNabb and seconded by Alisha Gamble. ***Motion to postpone adoption of 2014-2015 budget passed unanimously.***

Goals for 2014-2015 – Alicia reported that her major goals for the upcoming year are to update the website to include a membership listserv and to continue with updating the policies and procedures.

Calendar for 2014-2015 – Alicia reported that she will e-mail tentative board meeting dates.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Annual Conference – Rachel Bembry reported that she had a great response for this year's conference and is excited for next year's 30th Annual Conference.

Career Development – Included as attachment to minutes.

Communications – Anna Payne discussed some ideas for changes to the newsletter. She distributed examples of a web-based newsletter rather than a PDF version. This new format would require a monthly fee of approximately \$35 to be paid to Constant Contact. Alicia called for a motion to approve the monthly Constant Contact fee. Arleen Samuels made the motion, and Alisha Gamble seconded it. ***Motion to approve the monthly Constant Contact fee passed unanimously.***

Alicia mentioned that she will be coordinating with ACCG's Clint Mueller for articles to include in the newsletters. There was some discussion regarding who to contact for the Excel tips that are included in the newsletter. Items that will be reported in the upcoming newsletter include conference highlights and another bond reporting article that will be provided by Jim. *Deadline for article submission is October 24, 2014, and the newsletter will be published October 31, 2014.*

Government Relations – No report given.

Membership – Dan Defnall reported that we have 34 new members.

Scholarship/Awards – Nothing to report. Rachel Bemby mentioned that Amy Henson from Coweta County expressed interested in serving on the scholarship committee.

Technical Resources – No report given.

Past President – No report given.

OFFICER AND DIRECTOR DISCUSSION

1st Vice President – Mike Bush reported that he is thankful for this opportunity and that he will work closely with Alicia during his term.

2nd Vice President – Diane McNabb praised Rachel Bemby for a great job with the Annual Conference this year.

Treasurer – Wayne Putnal stated that there isn't a Wells Fargo branch in Tifton and asked if we could research other options. Alicia called for a motion to begin researching other banking options. Motion was made by Dena Bosten and seconded by Mike Bush. ***The motion to begin researching other banking options passed unanimously.***

Secretary – Dena Bosten praised Rachel Bemby for another successful conference.

Directors

Lori Sayer – No report given.

Arleen Samuels – Arleen commented that the conference was good, and that she has a couple of people who approached her about presenting at the next conference.

Alisha Gamble – Nothing to report.

Chiquita Danzy – Nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion for adjournment was made by Arleen Samuels and seconded by Wayne Putnal. ***The motion to adjourn passed unanimously.***

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The following is the webinar attendance for this past year -

Upcoming Webinar Schedule for July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014

August 13, 2014 (Complete) Will be available as a free resource; therefore, Georgia Government Finance Officers Association paid only \$500. **(30 participants)**

- Topic - ***DCA Reporting and Surveys***
- Presenter - Georgia Department of Community Affairs
 - Jonathan Sharpe, **Government Research & Surveys Manager**

November 5, 2014 (Currently Enrolled 28)

- Topic - ***Bringing a Compliance Ethic to Revenue Collection***
- Presenters – Georgia Municipal Association
 - Lou Comer, Director, Local Government Services
 - Pam Helton, Director of Consulting Services, GMA
 - Rusi Patel, Associate General Counsel, Georgia Municipal Association

January 28, 2015

- Topic - ***Merchant Services - \$\$, Data and Risk***
- Presenters – Wells Fargo
 - Kristi Hunt

April 2014 (date to be determined)

- Topic – ***Tax Abatement***
- Presenters
 - John Hulsey and Clint Mueller

May 20, 2015

- Topic - ***Grants Management Strategies***
- Presenters – JAT Consulting
 - Rachel Bemby & Laura Cook