

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Alicia Page	Mike Bush	Diane McNabb
Alisha Gamble	Dena Bosten	Arleen Samuels
Chiquita Danzy	John Hulsey	Jim Pehrson

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

COMMITTEE CHAIRS PRESENT:

Rachel Bembry	Tracy Arner	Anna Payne
Linda Cook	Peter Floyd	

GGFOA MEMBERSHIP IN ATTENDANCE

CALL TO ORDER

President Alicia Page called the meeting to order.

MEAL

John Hulsey led the membership in prayer, and the meal was served.

RECOGNITION OF SPONSORS

Alicia Page thanked the conference sponsors and contributors for their support.

PRESENTATION OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT AND MINUTES

Alisha Gamble presented the annual audit report to the membership. She noted that our auditors, Bates, Carter and Company, issued an unmodified opinion, and the complete report can be found on our website at www.ggfoa.org.

Dena Bosten presented the minutes from the Annual Business Luncheon held on September 30, 2014 in Savannah, Georgia.

APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT AND BUSINESS LUNCHEON MINUTES

Motion to approve the financial report and Annual Business Luncheon minutes was made by Virgil Moon and seconded by Linda Cramer. ***Motion to approve the financial report and business luncheon minutes passed unanimously.***

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Annual Conference – Rachel Bembry provided an update about the registration and participation numbers. She recognized her committee members and thanked Karine Brooms and Dena Bosten for serving as speaker liaisons and Alisha Fulcher for serving as the vendor liaison. Rachel also thanked Alicia Page for all her hard work with the Annual Conference.

Rachel announced that the 2016 Annual Conference will be held at the Evergreen Marriott in Stone Mountain, Georgia.

Rachel also introduced the incoming Conference Chair, Karine Brooms.

Career Development – Tracy Arner reported that we've had five webinars this year. Tracy announced upcoming webinar topics include: transportation funding, GASB 68, MAX GOV, and uniform grant guidance. She also reported that viewings of archived webinars and tutorials continue to be popular.

Communications – Anna Payne thanked the membership for allowing her to serve as Communications Chair this past year. She reported that the Communications Committee has been busy this year and has taken on additional responsibilities with all the new website communication. They have updated the newsletter format and become more involved in social media. She encouraged the membership to like us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter, and connect with us on LinkedIn.

Scholarship/Awards – Linda Cook recognized and thanked her committee members. She reported that the Scholarship Committee has worked to scan all scholarship documentation, created a display for the Annual Conference, and started a new scholarship for the Certificate in Public Finance Management (CPFM) Program. Linda also thanked the scholarship raffle sponsors and encouraged the membership to purchase a ticket.

Government Relations and Technical Resources – Peter Floyd reported that Government Relations commented to GASB on the tax abatement pronouncement and now compiles a legislative report for the membership. It is his goal to make this report more interactive and understandable in the future. Peter also noted the new website was the major project and accomplishment for the Technical Resources Committee.

BY-LAW AMENDMENTS

The attached Notice of Proposed Bylaw Changes and Meeting to Vote on Changes was e-mailed to the membership on September 3, 2015.

Change of Membership Renewal – Alicia Page presented an amendment to the by-laws to change the membership renewal date from October 1 each year to the anniversary date of your membership. Language would also be modified to change delinquent date of dues from February 1 to 60 days after the anniversary date of your respective membership. Alicia explained this change would assist in the annual renewal process and allow for online payment of dues through the new website.

Virgil Moon made a motion to accept the proposed amendment as presented, and Amy Davis seconded the motion. One member asked if members can still mail checks for dues payments. Alicia answered yes and instructed the membership to print the membership renewal form and mail to Treasurer's address listed on the website. ***Motion to amend the by-laws as proposed regarding membership renewal passed unanimously.***

Inclusion of Retiree Membership Category – Alicia Page presented an amendment to the by-laws to add an additional membership class for retirees.

Virgil Moon made a motion to accept the proposed amendment as presented, and Amy Davis seconded the motion. ***Motion to amend the by-laws as proposed regarding an additional membership class for retirees passed unanimously.***

PRESENTATION OF CARL VINSON LOCAL FINANCE OFFICER CERTIFICATES

Tracy Arner congratulated all the members who completed the Level I and Level II Certificates and presented those present with their respective Certificates.

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Service Award – Alicia Page presented the Service Award to Alisha Fulcher.

President's Award – Alicia Page presented the President's Award to Debbie Barron.

Scholarship Awards – Linda Cook presented the scholarship awards to the following members:

Annual College Scholarship: Jennifer Brown and Ruth Francis

Level I Scholarship: Gabriella Downs, Michelle Holloway, and Alisha Gamble

Golf Winners – Mike Bush presented awards to the following golf winners:

1st Place: Sheila Papelbon, Paul Salvator, Kevin Shafer and Paul Grif

2nd Place: Ray Gibson, Scott Harris, Paul Bates, and Mike Bush

3rd Place: Clay Pilgrim, Andrew Tritt, Kenny Stallworth, and Steve Rogers

Longest Drive: Sheila Papelbon and Bill Volckmann

Closest to Pin: Kevin Schafer and Geneva Fields

NOMINATION OF 2016 BOARD

Alicia Page made the following recommendations for 2016 Board members:

President – Mike Bush

1st Vice President – Diane McNabb

2nd Vice President – Dena Bosten

Treasurer – Alisha Gamble

Secretary – Tina Wetherford

Director – Chiquita Danzy

Director – Laurie Puckett

Director – Beth Horacek

Director – Bill Volckmann

Historian – John Hulsey

Past President – Alicia Page

Virgil Moon made a motion to accept the Nominating Committee's recommendations for the 2016 Board, and Linda Cramer seconded the motion. ***Motion to accept the 2016 Board members passed unanimously.***

Virgil Moon administered the Oath of Office to the new Board members.

NEW PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Mike Bush addressed the membership and thanked them for the opportunity to serve as President for the upcoming year. He also announced the new committee chairs are as follows:

Annual Conference Chair – Karine Brooms

Communications Chair – Anna Payne

Government Relations/Strategic Planning – Peter Floyd

Membership Chair – Travis Sims

Scholarship/Awards – Linda Cook

Technical Resources – Peter Floyd

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rachel Bemby announced that Casino Night will be held at the Conference Center.

ADJOURNMENT

Alicia Page called for a motion to adjourn. Amy Davis made a motion to adjourn, and Virgil Moon seconded it. ***The motion to adjourn passed unanimously.***

From: Georgia Government Finance Officers Association <ggfoa@ggfoa.org>
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ASSOCIATION

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES
NOTICE OF MEETING TO VOTE ON CHANGES
September 3, 2015**

The Georgia Government Finance Officers Association will hold an annual business luncheon from noon to 2:00 PM on October 6, 2015 at the Jekyll Island Convention Center, Jekyll Island, GA. During this meeting, the Executive Board will present its recommendations for proposed changes to the GGFOA Bylaws. Members present at the meeting will vote on the proposed changes. The members may elect to consider each proposed change individually or they may elect to accept or reject the proposed changes as a whole. The proposed changes will pass if two-thirds of the active members present approve the proposed changes.

ARTICLE IV: CLASSES OF MEMBERS

Currently Reads As:

- *Members*
- *Associate Members*
- *Education Members*
- *Student Members*
- *Honorary Members*

Proposed Amendment: *Add an additional class Retiree Members. Retiree membership may be held in the Association by any formerly active member who has duly retired from employment in a public jurisdiction of the State of Georgia. Retiree members of the corporation shall enjoy all of the rights and privileges enjoyed by members of the corporation, except that such retiree members may not hold the office of the president, president elect, secretary, treasurer or member of the Executive Board but may vote on any proposed amendment, revision or supplement to these*

Articles of Incorporation.

Rationale: The Executive Board recognizes the need to preserve the institutional knowledge of the association, history, and value in encouraging retirees to remain active in the Association.

ARTICLE VII: ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Dues

Currently Reads As: *"The Executive Board shall periodically determine the annual dues to be paid by the classes of members. Annual dues shall be payable on application for membership and as of October 1 in each year thereafter. Members may be suspended from the Association if payment of dues are delinquent after February 1 of any fiscal year."*

Proposed Amendment: *Change "and as of October 1 in each year thereafter" to "and as of the anniversary date of your membership each year thereafter"*

Proposed Amendment: *Change "Members may be suspended from the Association if payment of dues are delinquent after February 1 of any fiscal Year." to "Members may be suspended from the Association if payment of dues are delinquent 60 days after the anniversary date of their respective membership."*

Rationale: To simplify and ease the administrative burden and costs associated with manual invoicing of membership dues. The GGFOA website has the capability of allowing each member to renew their respective membership online and allows the association to truly represent an annual membership for the dues received. Moreover, this avoids having to prorate membership dues.

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