

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:	John Hulsey Alicia Serra Kelly Bush	Jim Pehrson Mike Bush	Carmina Turner Arlene Durrah	Cindy Campbell Diane McNabb
COMMITTEE CHAIRS PRESENT:	Chris Pike Tim Taylor	Tracy Arner	Alisha Broom	Logan Propes

President John Hulsey called the meeting to order.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jim Pehrson presented the Treasurer's Report, stated that revenues exceeded expenses for the year. Overall, the Association is in good shape. He would work with Cindy Campbell to get the treasurer's information turned over and inform her of any outstanding AP's that needed attention.

OLD BUSINESS

John Hulsey stated that he was going to continue to work on Kelly Bush's goal of getting the strategic plan updated for the association. He stated that each board member and committee chair needed review the strategic plan overall but to pay special attention to their roles and update those as necessary. He stated that because many of the committee chairs were new that he recommended they follow-up with the previous chairs to acclimate them to their position. Follow-up on the strategic plan would be discussed at the next board meeting.

John Hulsey to e-mail the Strategic Plan to all board members and committee chairs for their review.

NEW BUSINESS

GGFOA Policies and Procedures and Articles of Incorporation - John Hulsey brought to the boards attention that the GGFOA Policies and Procedures and Articles of Incorporation had not been updated recently and thought that it would be a good idea to review and update these while the board was in the process of updating the Strategic Plan. Board members and committee chairs were asked to review these and be prepared to discuss any updates or changes that they feel need to be made at the next scheduled board meeting.

John Hulsey to e-mail the GGFOA Policies & Procedures and Articles of Incorporation to all board members and committee chairs for their review.

Budget 2012 – 2013 – There was discussion to continue the budget in order to give new board members and committee chairs time to review the current budget and make adjustments for the new budget. Kelly Bush made a motion to continue the current budget. Jim Pehrson seconded the motion.

Unanimous vote to approve the continuation of the current budget until board members and committee chairs have time to review their portions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Annual Conference – Chris Pike stated that he has already begun looking for future conference sites. The 2013 Annual Conference will be held at Lake Lanier Islands and the 2014 Annual Conference will be at the Hilton Desoto in Savannah. The 2012 Annual Conference received ~\$20,000 in sponsorships. John Hulseby indicated that he would be sending out hand written Thank You notes to all sponsors for their support and participation in GGFOA and our conference. There was discussion on what a huge success the casino night was and that it was agreed that it was a welcome change. Further discussion on the casino night indicated that there was a reduction in the alcohol bill because participants kept busy at the gaming tables and left less frequently to refill their drinks.

Career Development – Cindy Campbell reported that there were 19 people who attended the training class in Dawsonville and it was a success. It was mentioned that Cindy West of Statesboro and Linda Cook of Putnam County had facilities to offer for future training classes. There was also discussion with Dianne McNabb with The PFM Group to possibly teach an economic development class in the future. Tracy Arner stated that she was excited about chairing the Career Development committee this year and that she had a lot of ideas for potential classes.

Communications – Alisha Broom stated that she had been working with Logan Propes on trying to get a newsletter out by the end of the year. She stated that there were several items she had to include in the newsletter; however, she was always looking for more information and articles. It was also stated that one of the goals for the committee was to develop a calendar so that people will know that they have certain deadlines to meet in order to get information to her in order to allow newsletters to be released on a quarterly basis.

Government Relations – Logan Propes said that he would be traveling to the Capitol and would keep us posted on what's going on down there. Chris Pike then stated that he is frequently at the Capitol during sessions and would be more than happy to tag-team keeping an eye out for new things coming down the pipeline.

Membership – There was discussion on how the membership list had been cleaned up and how Kelly Shields at GMA had worked closely with GGFOA in ensuring that the association had an updated list. There was also discussion that Arlene Samuels needed to follow-up with getting in touch with Kelly Shields to ensure that the new members were not billed for their first year membership if they joined late in the year.

No action was decided on who would contact Arlene Samuels, follow-up at the next board meeting.

Scholarships and Awards – Diane McNabb updated the board on her progress with trying to get the internship program off the ground but was unable to complete due to new regulations obstacles and a lack of governments willing to participate. She indicated that it was definitely something that the association should keep trying to pursue and get off the ground as it is beneficial to both the governments and the students.

There was also discussion on GGFOA partnering with CVIOG in offering a scholarship that would allow a government employee to complete the Certified Finance Officer Certificate program. The board seemed very interested in the possibility and would like to research it more to see if it would be beneficial to offer two scholarships one for the Level I and one for the Level II. Follow-up discussion to happen at the next board meeting.

Technical Resources – Alicia Serra to contact Kelly Shield at GMA and have her change the tag line on all blast e-mails to represent the change in the board and committee position. Alicia Serra will work with Jennifer Houston on getting familiar with the duties of being the chair for technical resources.

Past President – Kelly Bush reported that the annual conference was a great success. She stated that she was excited about partnering with CVIOG for the potential level I & II certification scholarship. She also indicated that a GGFOA representative should contact GFOA about beginning, once again, to -proctor the CPFO exam.

ADJOURNMENT