

Georgia Government Finance Officers Association

Executive Board Meeting

October 5, 2011

In Attendance: Kelly Bush, John Hulsey, Lynn Robinson, Jim Pehrson, Angie Sorrow, Diane McNabb, Logan Propes, Cindy Campbell, Cindy West, Alicia Serra, Larry Johnson, Melody Marlowe, and Ellen Walls

Meeting called to order by Kelly Bush.

Kelly reviewed the structure of the board officers acting as committee chairs. Melody Marlowe used the Scholarship Committee chaired by Janet as an example of a well-run and successful committee.

No treasurer's report was ready at this time.

Old Business:

Strategic Plan 2010 is scheduled for October 19 and 20, 2011 in Athens. The group chosen to work on the plan is Kelly Bush, Larry Johnson, Jim Pehrson, Melody Marlowe, and Lynn Robinson. Sabrina Cape will also attend as a representative of the GGFOA membership. Kelly Bush stated she would be consulting with Virgil Moon on development of the strategic plan.

Contract for Augusta – change date: Motion by Angie Sorrow to change the date of the conference in Augusta to the last week in September 2013. Second made by Lynn Robinson. After discussion of conflicting obligations with date changes the motion failed. John Hulsey made the motion to notify CVIORG that the GGFOA Board wishes to cancel the arrangements in Augusta. Kelly Bush, Lynn Robinson, and John Hulsey will explore venues and dates to get back to the board. Second by Jim Pehrson. There was discussion about remembering to give other cities the chance to host the GGFOA Conference. Motion passed unan.

Separation of the Secretary/Treasurer position and an addition of Historian as a Board Members: Motion by Jim Pehrson with second by Lynn Robinson to separate the Secretary/Treasurer position with Ellen Walls assuming the duties of secretary. Motion by Lynn Robinson with second by Jim Pehrson to add the position of Historian to the board with Melody Marlowe in this position. There was discussion on the appropriate way to handle the change in the bylaws regarding changes to the board. It requires 2/3 votes of members present after a thirty (30) day period of notification in order to adopt changes to the bylaws. Several options were considered. The decision was made to notify the GGFOA membership of the changes to the bylaws via email and website. A special call meeting will be scheduled at a later date in Henry County.

New Business:

Goals for the upcoming year - Kelly Bush discussed being more active with involvement in GMA and ACCG. Officer and Director/Committee Chair positions were also discussed.

John Hulsey is looking forward to the coming year and working on the conference for 2012.

Lynn Robinson commented on the good responses received from several members regarding this year's conference. She is looking forward to working with John Hulsey on the conference for next year.

Jim Pehrson stated he was glad to be here.

Angie Sorrow is looking forward to working on the membership committee. Ellen Walls will assist Angie as needed with membership.

Diane McNabb said she wasn't sure what her duties would entail but she had all the records and would be reviewing and researching the records.

Logan Propes stated the first newsletter should be going out in December and then on a quarterly basis.

Amy Hall was not in attendance due to having surgery. Cindy Campbell will co-chair Career Development and work the northern part of the state with Amy Hall handling the southern part of the state. We were reminded of the courses being offered in Tifton on November 1 - 2, 2011 on Revenue Administration and Introductory Accounting in Norcross on November 1, 2, 7, and 8, 2011 with John Hulsey instructing. Discussions with Kingsland to have an Internal Controls course offered there is ongoing.

Alicia Serra will continue to work with Kelly Shields at GMA on working any problems out with any email issues and bounce back emails.

Kelly Bush informed the board that a position was available on the Revenue Commissioners Local Advisory Group. It was agreed Jim Pehrson would be an excellent choice to keep the board up to date on current and any future legislature effecting GGFOA membership.

Larry Johnson complemented how nice the conference was. He stated that efforts should be made as soon as possible to get vendors notified and secured for the next conference.

Melody Marlowe requested that anyone that had photos from the conference send them to her.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Walls