

GaL-AA Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 16th, 2018 (Skype Meeting) 7:30 pm EST

Attendance:

Present:

Denise R., Chair
Carol N., Deputy Chair (late joining)
Mark P., Secretary (late joining)
H. Pierre B., Treasurer
Jim A., Advisor I
Eric W., Advisor II
Randall R., Advisor III
Rob F., Technical Liaison

Absent:

Chair—Denise

- Denise called the meeting to order, opened with a moment of silence, and those present recited the Serenity Prayer at 7:30 pm.
- Denise referenced an e-mail sent by Pierre before the meeting from Heather S. of GSO offering us a choice of either the Crowne Plaza or Marriott Renaissance for GaL-AA's hospitality suite and events at the 2020 International Convention. The committee by majority vote approved the Crowne Plaza. Pierre will contact Heather/Greg to let them know about our decision.

Secretary's Report—Mark

- Mark sent draft August minutes in advance of the meeting; upon motion made by Randall and seconded Jim, the minutes were approved without correction.
- He also sent an Excel spreadsheet of contributions before the meeting; groups contributed \$234.45 by check, and there were no online contributions.
- Contributions specifically earmarked for the 2020 International Convention activities totaled \$850 year to date.
- Mark will send final August minutes to Eric for posting on the website.

Treasurer's Report—Pierre

- Pierre sent his treasury report for the month ended August 31 prior to the meeting. Our beginning checking balance was \$4,810.88, income and expenses totaled \$1,693.37 and \$253.25, respectively, and the ending checking balance was \$6,215. International conference funds were approximately \$5,001, and the prudent reserve was over \$6,004. Upon motion made by Randall and seconded by Jim, the report was approved.

Deputy Chair—Carol


- Carol sent a draft write-up for the GaL-AA website for the fall-winter elections; members will review and provide comments as soon as they can.

Advisor I—Jim

- No report.

Advisor II—Eric

- Eric to circulate a draft of the next newsletter before the October meeting.



Advisor III—Randall

- Randall reported on the launching of the 2020 Local website and gave a report from the Local International Committee. He'll forward a commentary/article from Martin for the upcoming newsletter.
- The Local International Committee has asked about creating a Facebook page, we approved this action as long as it was a secure group page where people join by invitation only.

Technical Liaison/Web—Rob

- Rob indicated he is still working with Detroit as well to get the website going. The website is up/installed, but not viewable by all, possibly a security certificate issue.
- He will post the election notice and take care of the blast e-mail campaign to members that the elections are underway.

Old Business:

- For elections, Carol, Mark and Eric will coordinate reviews of submitted resumes and make the decision whether to recommend any candidates that should move on to the voting stage in the election process.

New Business:

- We discussed the next meeting and due to travel schedules, the next Skype will be held October 24; after that meeting, we'll attempt to go back to regularly scheduled meetings that take place on the first or second Wednesday of the month.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mark and seconded by Jim, and the meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

NEXT SKYPE MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, at 7:30 PM EST

Respectfully submitted,

Mark P.