

**GaL-AA Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 (Skype Meeting) 7:32 pm EST

Attendance:

Present:

Carol N., Deputy Chair

Mark P., Secretary

H. Pierre B., Treasurer

Jim A., Advisor I

Randall R., Advisor III

Rob F., Technical Liaison

Absent:

Denise R., Chair

Eric W., Advisor II

**Chair—Mark (substituting for Denise)**

- Mark called the meeting to order and we opened with a moment of silence and recited the Serenity Prayer at 7:32 pm.

**Secretary's Report—Mark**

- Mark sent draft April minutes in advance of the meeting; upon motion made by Pierre and seconded by Jim, the minutes were approved without correction.
- He also sent an Excel spreadsheet of contributions before the meeting; groups contributed \$648.58 by check, and there was one online contribution for \$60 from the recent 2020 Detroit tea fundraiser.
- Contributions earmarked for the 2020 International Convention totaled \$2,297 year-to-date.
- Mark will send final April minutes to Eric for posting on the website.

**Treasurer's Report—Pierre**

- Pierre referred to his treasury report for the month ended April 30 sent prior to the meeting.
- Our beginning balance was \$4,586.90 (income was \$427.69 and expenses totaled \$177.09). Our ending balance in checking was \$4,837.50. Our International Conference CD was \$5,001.68, and the CD for prudent reserve was \$9,005.87.
- Upon motion made by Carol and seconded by Jim, the report was approved.
- Pierre is still working with Heidi and Bank of America on banking and/or an account for the Detroit 2020 local committee.
- He has spoken with Greg T. at GSO about the 2020 room situation/availability. GaL-AA gets a room for the hospitality suite and for the dance (the space is the large ballroom that holds 1,200, and it can be sectioned off into three segments). Greg indicated to Pierre that the upstairs area was available for hospitality if we wanted to consider that space.
- The executive committee members will have to find their own rooms. Randall added that the hotel room availability will be tight in the city for 2020 International. GSO will open registration for the conference on September 9, 2019.
- The local committee members that are working on the dance are waiting for confirmation of the definite room assignment, which Randall will follow-up/undertake contacting the hotel.

**Deputy Chair—Carol**

- No new updates.

**Advisor I—Jim**

- Jim apologized for missing last month. He has responded to e-mails, with Eric copied. No significant updates/action items.

**Advisor II—Eric**

- No report.

**Advisor III—Randall**

- Recent fundraisers were a high tea. Next fundraiser is Gary's movie night with AA speakers.
- Local committee raised \$3,500 in commitment/funds thus far.
- Motown Mansion in September will be \$125-a-ticket event that people are very excited about. It's a dressy occasion and will be catered at mansion. The swank brunch event will be exquisite.
- Randall is also working with folks in Toledo on other fundraisers.

**Technical Liaison/Web—Rob**

- Not much to report. He will take down the old survey monkey results.
- Rob will need more time to make decisions on content and layout for new website.

**Old Business:**

- Suggested give-away for the 2020 International: Eric's recommendation was a button; Rob suggested an enamel pin from a company called "Cotton Bureau" (for their custom pins see <https://cottonbureau.com/search?hierarchicalMenu%5Bcategories.lv10%5D%5B0%5D=Accessories&query=pin>). Cost may be a consideration with the pins.
- We will also need a wrist band for admittance to the dance (the Detroit local committee will come up with ideas for that).

**New Business:**

- None.

Motion to adjourn was made by Pierre and seconded by Carol, and the meeting adjourned at 8:05.

**NEXT SKYPE MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, AT 7:30 PM EST**

Respectfully submitted,

Mark P.