

GATA 2011 Conference Minutes

Saturday, February 26, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Angela Meyer at 11:15 a.m.

In attendance

Angela Meyer (President)
Kim Ascani (President-Elect)
Robert Jordan (Vice President)
Alan Craig (Treasurer)
Jeannie Ruggerio (Secretary)
Cheryl Harris
Stacy Stanton
Debbie Reynolds
Sherrell Byrd
Donald Harden
Beth Burmester

Tim Vick
DeLandra Hunter
Mary Hamilton
Deena Newman
Lori Robinson
Ethel Berksteiner
Kathy Garrison
Linda P. Jones
Jody Trost
Herbert Barber

Tim Ellis
LaNisha Thomas
Kimberley Sloan
Evelyn Doman
Barbara L. McGhee
Foster Bell
Cathy Ray
Peter Higgins
Paul Johnson
Doris Roundtree

Old Business

- Approval of 2010 Minutes
- Treasurer's Report
- Conference and Membership Fees
- Review "Who We Are"
 - Mission and Goals

New Business

- Chapter with ATP
- Date/Location of GATA 2012
- Future Conference Topics
- Election of New Officers

Old Business

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Tim Vick to approve the minutes from last year's conference. The minutes from the GATA 2010 Conference were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report

GATA Treasurer, Alan Craig, prepared and submitted the annual budget report for the 2010-2011 association accounting period. Each attendee received and reviewed a copy of the Treasurer's Report. Alan Craig answered questions and addressed issues concerning 2011-2012 GATA budget funds. The Treasurer's Report was accepted unanimously to become part of the official record. Budget issues discussed included the following topics:

- 2010 GATA Conference:
 - Revenues collected at the 2010 conference were \$6,670.00; facilities and food costs (\$5,974.80), supplies costs (\$289.68), and bank fee (\$2 monthly - \$14.00) totaled \$6,278.48, leaving a net conference profit of \$391.52.
 - Added to the previous ending balance of \$2,893.86, the association now holds an estimated \$3,285.38.
- Potential options for utilizing balance were discussed, including
 - Conference registration and membership fees for administrators will be increased for next year.
 - Cheryl Harris suggested a yearly institutional fee of \$25.00 being assessed as a way of increasing revenue. It was decided that the fee would be researched and discussed further.

Conference Fees

Angela Meyer proposed to attendees an increase in the "Regular" membership fee to \$50.00 as part of the conference registration OR drop "Student/Tutor" membership as part of conference registration to \$25.00 to differentiate. Cheryl Harris made a motion to increase the "Regular" membership fee to \$50.00 for Coordinator/Administrator and "Student/Tutor" membership would remain \$35.00; the motion was seconded and passed. Tim Vick also motioned for the Conference Chair to implement a late registration fee of no more than \$10.00; the motion was seconded and passed.

Review "Who We Are" (Mission and Goals)

Angela Meyer presented GATA's Mission and Goals to attendees in which Tim Vick will make available on the Listserv to all members.

New Business

Chapter with ATP

Angela Meyer proposed becoming a chapter with ATP and presented the benefits, which includes training for GATA officers, enhanced communication opportunities, link to GATA through ATP's website, and ATP board members available to GATA as trainers or speakers for a small fee. Angela Meyer also presented the process of becoming a chapter with ATP including submitting an application and \$25.00; copy of Constitution, by-laws, and mission; GATA membership documentation with 25 members also ATP members; Goals and Plan Report; membership development plans; and distributing a newsletter.

Date/Location for GATA 2012

Tim Vick offered to host next year's conference at Macon State College. The date for the GATA 2012 Conference will be February 25, 2012, at the Macon State College Professional Sciences Center.

Future Conference Topics

Angela Meyer and attendees suggested the following future conference topics: motivational techniques, tutoring and testing, managing a learner center with greater budget demands, diagnostic testing, tutoring laid-off workers, tutoring techniques, mentoring, online tutoring, supplemental instruction, hybrid course tutoring, customer service and professionalism, ethics, and tutor training for coordinators. Tim Vick suggested uploading CRLA training material for those interested in tutor training material.

Election of New Officers

Angela Meyer presented the official duties of each officer position to all attendees. The 2010-2011 officers were thanked, and the 2011-2012 officers were elected. The 2010-2011 President Angela Meyer made a motion to elevate Kim Ascani as the 2011-2012 President; the motion was seconded and passed. Angela Meyer introduced those attendees interested in being nominated for the 2011-2012 officer positions and instructed all attendees to fill out and return ballot forms with his or her nominations. The following were the 2011-2012 election results: Robert Jordan was elected President-Elect; Kimberley Sloan was elected Vice President; Alan Craig was elected Treasurer; and Jeannie Ruggerio was elected Secretary.

Adjournment

Thanks were given to Tim Vick for another successful GATA Conference; Kim Ascani made a motion for the meeting to be closed and members dismissed; the motion was seconded and passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeannie Ruggerio
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