

AGA Chapter Executive Committee Meeting Minutes February 28, 2011

Submitted by Debra Bloomingburg, Secretary

The Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) for the Nashville Chapter met on February 28, 2011, in the training room on the 12th floor of the Andrew Jackson Building.

CEC members present:
Shirley Henry, President-Elect
Karen Hale, Immediate Past President
Debra Bloomingburg, Secretary
Scarlet Sneed, Treasurer
Keevia Battle
Hank Clay
Cynthia Setters
Corey Tester
Rhonda Williams
Jane Lacy
Sandra Tulloss

Committee leaders present:
Tammy Fruscione (telephone)
Chuck Holland
Jacqueline Laws
Tammy Thompson

Shirley Henry announced that she would be presiding over the meeting since Melvin was attending a friend's funeral. She called the meeting to order at 11:25 a.m.

Approval of the Minutes

Jacqueline Laws pointed out that Tammy Fruscione has not yet contacted any caterers. This information will be corrected in the minutes. Hank Clay made a motion to approve the January 31, 2011, CEC meeting minutes subject to the noted correction. Corey Tester seconded the motion, and the CEC members voted to approve the minutes.

Reports

Immediate Past President/Public Relations and Outreach Committee

Karen Hale reported that she continues to send press releases. Also, she's still working on the brochure and is looking for pictures to include. Corey has access to some pictures that he will get to her.

Shirley read a comment from Melvin regarding the great job Karen did advertising for the ARRA and Focus Group events. He received many great comments from Helena Sims (ARRA Dialogue) and Anna Miller (Focus Group) on our chapter's assistance in planning and conducting the events on March 23, 2011, and March 24, 2011.

President-Elect

Shirley Henry had nothing to report.

Secretary

Debra Bloomingburg reminded everyone of the change in her web address from debra.bloomingburg@tn.gov to dburg58@yahoo.com.

Treasurer

Scarlet Sneed reported that she is still trying to collect receivables for the Winter Seminar. She has received a few payments for the Spring Social as well as for the monthly meeting.

Awards Committee

Rhonda Williams reminded everyone about the National Scholarships (March 31, 2011, deadline), our scholarships (April 8, 2011, deadline), and the Spring awards. Shirley mentioned that Jeff Hughes has sent out an email listing the various National awards that are available.

CGFM Committee

Shirley read a statement from Melvin that Ralph Cross is working on some CGFM training for members, and we have some members who are interested in the training.

Community Service Committee

Jacqueline Laws announced the following events:

Through April we will be participating in the VITA program. Tammy Thompson is the contact person.

Until the March luncheon meeting, we will be accepting donations for the Elephant Sanctuary in Hohenwald. The Nashville chapter will match up to \$500 in donations. We currently have received \$235. Julie Rogers is the contact person. Please forward a copy of the receipt to Julie.

In March, we will be accepting donations for Make-A-Wish. The Nashville chapter will match up to \$500 in donations, and AGA National will match all donations. Julie Rogers is the contact person.

Alex Green has been contacted and they are determining what we can do to help them. Tammy will contact the caterers to get price quotes to serve a meal to the teachers and staff during Teacher Appreciation Week. Caterers will be selected based on food quality and the best quote will be accepted.

Habitat for Humanity has been contacted to determine a date to help with a building. Ray Register is the contact person.

Second Harvest is ongoing. Monetary and food donations are accepted at the monthly luncheon meetings.

In April, we will be assisting with the Music City Marathon. Details will be available toward the end of March.

Committee members have started preparing information to submit to National regarding the National Community Service Award. The nomination will be completed and submitted at least 10 days before the due date.

We will be answering phones for Channel 8 on March 17, 2011. At this point, we have 11 volunteers and need 4 more. The Committee would like for the President or the President-elect to be one of the volunteers.

Discussion was held about a concern that donations to Second Harvest have not been what were expected and a reminder email sent a few days before the meeting might get a better response.

Corporate Sponsor Committee

Debra had talked to Gerry on February 23, and he said that he had talked to National and they had not yet received the sponsorship check from Oracle.

Early Careers Committee

Shirley read a statement from Melvin thanking Early Career members Joe Waldrum and Ellen Dunkin for their assistance at the ARRA Dialogue. Melvin also thanked those who attended and members Tammy Thompson and Debra Bloomingburg for helping with registration. About 150 people registered for the dialogue and approximately 100 showed up.

Education Committee

Corey Tester announced the audio conference coming up on March 9, 2011. Certificates for the Winter Seminar have been completed and need to be distributed. The Spring Breakfast will not be held.

Shirley announced that the ½-day Edison training sponsored by Oracle will be this Friday, March 4, 2011, in the Tennessee Room in the Tennessee Tower.

Finance Committee

Keevia Battle announced that the history report is a work in progress.

Meetings and Attendance Committee

Cynthia Setters announced the committee is working on the May awards meeting as well as the President's appreciation meeting.

Committee will serve as greeters at the upcoming luncheon meeting.

Tammy Thompson announced that we need to set a date for the May meetings as soon as possible since May is a busy month with end-of-school activities.

Cynthia did not know how many people were registered for the March 3, 2011, luncheon.

Shirley reported that Melvin requested that the committee document any issues or concerns that were dealt with this year so that next year's committee will be ready.

Membership Committee

No one from the Membership Committee was present to present a report.

Newsletter

Shirley read a statement from Melvin that said, “We have issues, not issued. I will be meeting with someone/s to work on closing out the year strong. My Achilles! I apologize to each of you and to the chapter for not getting issues out every month.”

Program Committee

Chuck Holland read a statement from Hellens Tamimi reporting that as of February 28, 2011, 64 reservations have been received for the Spring Social. Our contract with Chaffin’s Barn was negotiated for 80 people, totaling \$3,187.40. A 75% deposit of \$2,383.80 is due today. This was the first that the treasurer heard about this payment. Hellens wants to encourage the CEC members to sign up. Chuck also announced that our April speaker will be John Morgan, Chancellor of the Tennessee Board of Regents.

Website Committee

Shirley read a comment from Melvin commending Dan Willis for posting and keeping folks informed.

November Business Meeting

Sitting at the President’s table will be: Eugene Hampton; Marcus T. Henderson, Sr., Speaker; Tammy Fruscione; Jann Seymour, Make-A-Wish representative; Phil Nally; Beverly Adams; Melinda Parton; and Chas Taplin.

Invocation: Chas Taplin.

Corey will take care of a computer for Power Point presentations.

Announcements:

Membership

Education

Program

Community Service

The next meeting was scheduled for April 4, 2011, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:06 p.m.