

AGA Chapter Executive Committee Meeting Minutes May 6, 2010

Submitted by Shirley Henry, Secretary

The Chapter Executive Committee for the Nashville Chapter met on Thursday, May 6, 2010, in Conference Room A on the 14th floor of the James K. Polk Building.

Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) members present: Karen Hale, President; Kathy Anderson, Immediate Past President; Melvin, Jones, Jr., President-Elect; Shirley Henry, Secretary; Hellens Tamimi, Treasurer; Patricia Finney, Eugene Hampton, and Jane Lacy. Committee leaders present: Nathan Abbott, Corey Tester, Rhonda Williams, and Dan Willis.

Karen Hale called the meeting to order.

Approval of the Minutes

Karen Hale asked if anyone had any changes to the March 29, 2010 minutes, and none were noted. Melvin Jones, Jr. made a motion that the minutes be approved, and Eugene Hampton seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Reports

Immediate Past President

Kathy Anderson had nothing to report.

President-Elect

Melvin Jones, Jr. presented the contract proposal from the City Club to provide a meeting site and meals for the monthly luncheon meetings. The proposal reflects an increase of \$0.80 in the per-person charge, and the price can be locked in for either one year or two years. Most of the discussion centered on whether we wanted to commit for one year or two years. After the discussion, Melvin made a motion to lock in for two years, and Jane Lacy seconded the motion. The motion passed. However, Melvin suggested that the CEC consider establishing a committee in the second year to look into other possible venues.

Melvin also discussed the “Ideas from Ad Hoc Treasury Committee for 2010-2011” which Hellens Tamimi had presented at the previous CEC meeting. He encouraged CEC members to be thinking about the suggestions which have been put forth concerning possible uses of extra funds that the chapter has accumulated, such as a free one-day seminar for the membership.

Secretary

Shirley Henry reported that serving as the Chapter Secretary this year has been a great experience, and she has enjoyed working with everyone.

Treasurer

Hellens Tamimi said that she hopes to have the books closed out for this chapter year by June 30. She reported that the current bank balance is \$81,902.83.

Awards Committee

Jeff Hughes was unable to attend the CEC meeting, but he provided the names of this year's scholarship winners to Shirley Henry: Heather Harrison - \$750 (Snodgrass Scholarship); Katherine Posey - \$1500 (Snodgrass Scholarship); and Hank Clay - \$1500 (Ellis Scholarship)

CGFM Committee

Melvin Jones reported that Ron Queen had expressed a concern that AGA does not show up on the list of organizations certified to provide CPE. Kathy Anderson said that there has always been some confusion as to whether we have to be certified or we are exempt, and the issue seems to recur every few years. Dan Willis said that if the determination is that we are exempt, we probably should note that on our training materials to eliminate any confusion.

Community Service Committee

no report

Karen Hale talked about following up with Julie Rogers concerning the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Karen also talked about a possible donation for flood relief.

Corporate Sponsor Committee

no report

Melvin Jones suggested that the committee might want to look into making connections with AGA National's pool of sponsors.

Early Careers Committee

no report

Education Committee

Shirley Henry reported for Rusty Lacy that the April 21 audio conference had 61 attendees, and so far 76 people have signed up for the May 19 audio conference.

Finance Committee

Patricia Finney stated that she will be working on the history report.

Meetings and Attendance Committee

We discussed the fact that the May 6 Awards Luncheon will be rescheduled due to the flood impacting the Wildhorse Saloon, which is where the meeting was scheduled to be held. We may reschedule at the Wildhorse, but we may also look at other possible venues such as the Doubletree Hotel or the City Center. We did not decide on the date.

Membership Committee

Karen Hale said that she thought Ann Collett was still working on a possible shirt order. Corey Tester reported that he has been working with the Membership Committee to develop a survey to determine interest in purchasing shirts.

Newsletter

Corey Tester discussed an initiative to have a site for our chapter on Facebook and said that he has reserved the name “Nashville AGA.” Eugene Hampton advised that he might want to check with National AGA to see if they have any policies or guidelines. Nathan Abbott reminded Corey that it is against state policy to go to such sites on state computers. Dan Willis suggested that we need to be clear on what our goal is in setting up the site.

Program Committee

no report

Public Relations Committee

Karen Hale reported we have had four press releases.

Website Committee

Karen Hale commended Dan Willis and Nathan Abbott on the rollout of the chapter’s new website and expressed appreciation for all of their hard work on the project. Nathan reported that Brandon Maloney had assisted them in their work, and they were going to invite him to the next chapter meeting in appreciation for his help.

Melvin Jones asked about the identification of AGA retirees that need to be recognized. Karen Hale said that two have been identified, David Bowling and Bertha Deweese, and she is still researching their involvement with AGA through the years in determining the appropriate form of recognition.

The meeting was adjourned.