

GCTE Executive Board Meeting Agenda
October 10, 2009; Conference Call Meeting
10:00 – 1:00
Agenda

Call to Order

Present: Kathleen McKenzie, Jim Cope, Diana Poore, Gerald Boyd, Julie Rucker, Mary Ariail, Merrill Davies, Sharon Augustine, Alan Perry,
Minutes of Last Board Meeting will be approved at the next meeting

Treasurer's Report

Attached. Reflects the newly adopted budget. We withdrew \$7500 from one of the CD's. We brought forward \$1700. The only expense was publications and the NCTE Conference for Kathleen.

Gerald will send out the vendor forms for the conference. Kathleen moved that we accept the budget, Julie seconded. Gerald is pursuing the tax exempt status through NCTE. It will require us to adopt the policies that were sent. We will need to make a change to our constitution and must use the exact language. We will vote on this in February. It can be posted to our website and we could put this in Scribbles. Gerald thinks we can get the status in January. This will save money on the conference as it will classify us as non-profit. Gerald will provide an explanation of the \$30 versus \$750. Gerald made the motion to adopt the policies, Kathleen seconded.
Motion carries.

We normally assist people if they want to go to NCTE. Jim Cope, Mary Arail, Merrill Davies, Kathleen will be going. Jim and Mary will not need money assistance. Kathleen recommends that we support our Secondary teacher award winner to NCTE. We generally support the winner with \$500. We will support \$1000 for Merrill and Kathleen. Sharon made a motion to support Merrill, Kathleen, and Secondary teacher to the Conference. Julie seconded. The vote was unanimous. Jim will send out budget for an electronic vote.

We need to have officer elections. Kathleen will forward into the to the President's slot. Cassandra will not be able to serve as Vice-President One. There is a maximum of two terms.

Directors' Reports:

Director 1 (Diversity): Jim Hill and Brenda Logan mailed 150 applications to all the universities and colleges in Georgia

Director 2 (Publications): Jean Copland

No report

See attached. Need newsnetters. Thanks to everyone that contributes.

Director 3 (Membership): Patti McWhorter

No report

Director 4 (Conferences): Alan Perry

We have ten proposals and one registration. He is looking at Keynote Speaker.

Marianna Evans or Jacqueline Cook as possible Speakers. We have not asked publishers to sponsor anyone. Gerald will contact exhibitors to see if he could find one to sponsor. Kathleen suggested contacting Penguin Books. Alan would like to have someone who has written a book or could talk about teaching. Jim asked if we have used the NCTE sponsored speakers. Alan said that we have used some in the past.

Director 5 (Teacher/School Awards): Julie Rucker

The new Scribbles will have an application. Contacted by the State DOE concerning who got the awards and they recognized them.

Director 6 (Journals): Nancy Remler and Merrill Davies

The whole application is the journal. Merrill suggested we mail this out to all members. This would be expensive. Jim said we might want to look at this when our finances get straightened out. We need to put something in each packet for the registrants. Alan said the problem is that we each need to photocopy anything that is put in packet and get them to Alan or to the conference early enough to stuff the packets. We may want to meet on Thursday and stuff the packets. There is an advantage to getting the packets to the registrants on Thursday. Kathleen has a journalism class and they would love to stuff the

packets. This could be done the Wednesday before the conference. You could e-mail the flyer to Alan and get it coordinated with Kathleen. The vice-president of NCTE could be a possible guest speaker or the past president of NCTE. Merrill will make an effort to get around and talk about this. Kathleen suggested Merrill should make a presentation.

Director 7 (Technology): Jim Cope

It cost .05 per minute on Rondee./ Less than \$300 versus \$1500 if we met in person for conference call meetings. Jim cannot access the website from work. He will update from home. We get 1200-1500 hits per month on the GCTE website.

Director 8 (College Relations): Dawn Kirby

Attached. She has emailed this information to colleges about the Ellis. She has asked for reviewers. Email if you are interested.

NCTE Liaison Report: Merrill Davies

Congratulations to everyone who got the Affiliate Award. This is the eighth time winning this award. We are in the lead for the number of times winning the award. Jim has e-mailed the application for winning the award. There are several items that he needed to leave blank. We don't need to apply for all of the items. Two areas that we have not met: Nominations for NCTE and Participating in a Project on curriculum development locally or state. Participation in Slate or Legislative Party Policy would qualify. If we send something out defending a book. We are primed to win it again next year. If you teach a workshop on Georgia Authors-things like this will qualify. Mary would consider serving in a NCTE Office. She is interested in Middle Level.

GLAS/State Dept. Report:

Jim has not invited Carolyn Waters. Gerald invited her to join. Carolyn agreed but Gerald did not invite to the meeting. Jim will put her on the listserv.

Gerald asked if everyone has looked at the Common Core Standards. It will be helpful if everyone on the committee will look at the standards. He feels it reads like an old document.

The technology literacy does not indicate viewing.

SLATE Report: Mary Ariail

See attached. They have active links. There is link to the newsletter. There is a call to contact your congressman concerning HB.

Historian's Report: Carolyn Coleman

No report

Public Relations Chair: Adam Hathaway

No report

Georgia Writing Project Liaison: Alicia Daniel

No report

NCTE Promising Young Writers Chair: Anna Nero

No report

Old Business:

Nancy did a good job on the Connections Journal.

New Business:

Kathleen mentioned we are down to 50 maps. We may want to consider whether we want to reproduce more. Someone needs to follow up with Jean to make sure she is okay.

The next meeting will be at the conference. We will discuss whether we want to continue the phone conference for future meetings.

Grants

Jim had several people applied for mini-grants. One of the teachers was from Clarkdale and her receipts were in the school that was flooded.

Phone meeting has cost us \$36. This is very economical.

Adjourned at 11:22.

Diana Poore