

GLAAM Board of Directors
Annual Budget Meeting
Official Minutes

June 2, 2018

Pilgrim Towers, 440 N. Madison Av., Pasadena

	<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Delegate</i>	<i>Members-at-Large</i>
Mid-City	[X] Vesper Burnett	[X] Jordan Albert	[O] Desiree Elliott
Coastal	[O] Alma Munro	[O] Madeline Walker	[X] Andrea Nolan
SFV	[/] Jerilyn Phippeny (11:07)	<i>vacant</i>	[X] Gene Schneider
ELAC	[O] Michael Wong	<i>vacant</i>	[X] Sandra Smith
Hi-Desert	[O] Lindsay Ross	[X] Bruce Smith	[X] Lee Stillman
Inland Empire	[/] Wilbert Woo (11:22)	<i>vacant</i>	<i>vacant</i>

[X] = present for entire meeting, [/] = present for portion, [O] = absent with leave, [#] = consecutive unexcused absence(s)

Guests: Jonathan Cole, Vickey Kalambakal (11:30), Brian Madsen (11:07), Charlie Mahoney (11:07)

I. Opening

- A. **Call to Order** -- by XVC S Smith at 11:02am.
- B. **Approval of Agenda** – Moved (B Smith/Stillman) to approve; carried 7/0/0.
- C. **Approval of Previous Minutes** – Moved (B Smith/Albert) to approve; carried 7/0/0.

II. Reports

A. Executive Officers

1. **Chairman:**

- Elliott, via text: We have updated national regarding the change of officers. Various officers should have received emails from Becky with offers of advice and instruction.
- I have consulted with Chair of RG and Special Events Committees regarding Costco card Membership. While we are glad we tried the experiment to just use Madeline’s Membership for chapter purposes, we would like to return to the prior method where we had the chapter purchase a Costco Membership and Michael Wong will be holding the card for the coming year. He has agreed to serve as Hospitality Chair for the RG and purchase picnic items if he has a Costco card he can use for such purposes. Please add this line item to the proposed Budget.
- They have announced the Scholarship Winners and we do have recipients for the GLAAM and Dave Felt Scholarships.
- National has announced some new reports that will permit easier communication with Gifted Youth Members. Along this, we do have another approved Parent Volunteer for the Gifted Youth

Program and Madeline is working with her and others for more local events.

2. **Executive Vice Chair:**

- S Smith: I'm doing this again. I'm getting better, and I'm getting tired, so hope for Desiree to show up the second Saturday in July.

3. **Secretary:**

- Stillman: It appears that Yahoo groups is failing as a decent mechanism for file distribution. We can still send group emails out but any attachments, you're lucky if you can download them and use them in any sort of manner, so we are going to have to come up with some other way to do that. In the meantime, the stuff that I send out that would go to the CCs or BoD list, I will just email everybody individually for the time being. [Madsen suggested converting to .pdf.]

4. **Treasurer:**

- B Smith: Jonathan has done mountains of work attempting to train me, so I'll do the best I can to carry on. He left some very detailed emails that I printed out to save for posterity and future treasurers.

B. Area Reports

1. **Mid-City:**

- Burnett: Everything is going well.

2. **Coastal:**

- Walker, via email: We had a nice Sunday Salon in May at the Marmalade Cafe in El Segundo. Very lively conversations! See Vickey Kalambakal for details.

3. **SFV:**

- Phippeny: I organized but missed our party last month.
- Mahoney: we had a good turnout, 7 or 8 people.
- We did schedule a trivia night on the 3rd Sunday of each month, for June and July. Those have been posted to Facebook and are being well received. It will be at MacLeod Ale Brewing in Van Nuys.

4. **Hi-Desert:**

- Schneider: The Cinco de Mayo party was a great success. If you missed it you're square.
- The Petroglyph Tour is going to be on October 20.
- I'm trying to set up Mensa testing for the next day in all four areas of Hi-Desert.

C. Members-at-Large

1. **S Smith:**

- I have a handbook for Alma ready to go.

D. Committees and Coordinators

1. **Gifted Youth:**

- Walker, via email: Two parents in the South Bay are getting background checks so they and a couple other parents can organize activities together.
 - Also, National Mensa has responded to our needs by adding a couple monthly lists to the GYC's: new members and lapsed members. With the new system, that data was all run together, so we couldn't keep track of who was who.
2. **Regional Gathering:**
- Walker, via email: The contract for February 2019 at the DoubleTree in San Pedro is signed.
3. **Social Media:**
- Mahoney: I wasn't able to get as much posted to social media as I wanted, just 3 Valley events to drive attendance. Last day of school is June 9, so I will have more time after that.
4. **Special Events:**
- Walker, via email: A couple of the Hollywood Bowl events are fully booked. One more weeknight and the Saturday event still have space. See Jonathan Cole for details.
 - Cole: The one weeknight that still has tickets left has one or three, some low odd number, and the Saturday night show has 50 or 52 left.
 - Madeline is working on tickets for next seasons shows at the Pantages. Wicked already has a large group of members committed.
 - The Dodger game on June 26 went over the 30 seats reserved, so Madeline added two seats across the aisle for her and Doug.
10. **Circulation:**
- Madsen: I didn't get my own copy of the June newsletter, but we got it out on time.
 - We have enough money in the USPS account to pay for the July issue. We don't have enough money to pay for August. I've talked to both Bruce and Jonathan about the fact that I need money to replenish the USPS account. I am not going to be here for the July meeting, but I am going to need that money by the middle of July.
11. **Data:**
- Madsen: Everybody's reports are up to date. Reminder to everybody on the Board – if you want membership data, I have it. You need to ask me for it. The Facebook groups, announcement lists, everything is good to go.
12. **MensaPhone:**
- Schneider: We got seven messages last week. One of them is a lot of fun. It said something is expired, and the police are going to come take you into custody. There are four major allegations against you, and you gotta call this number and we'll protect you.

- One that just came this morning after the meeting started said your Microsoft Windows has expired. You better call us to get it renewed.
- One of them is from a lady in England who's coming here a couple weeks from now, and wants to know if she can get access to the calendar to see what's going on.
- Madsen: There is a link on the American Mensa website to Information for International Mensans which tells international Mensans how to get access to American Mensa websites. It amounts to telling the American Mensa office your information, and the National office with grant you a temporary username and password that is good for the duration of your Mensa membership. That username and password will let you get into the Members Only section of the American Mensa website and the GLAAM website.

III. Special Orders

A. Filling of Vacant Board Positions

1. SFV Delegate

- Charlie Mahoney nominated (Phippeny/Stillman); approved 9/0/0.

B. Filling of Vacant Committee/Coordinator Positions

1. Social Media Co-Coordinator

- Charlie Mahoney appointed, approved by acclamation.

C. Approval of 2018-2019 Budget

B Smith: Proposed budget is by design projected to overspend by approximately 10% in order to spend down the considerably large amount in our bank account. Proposed spending roughly in line with last year. Phippeny requested an increase in the SFV budget from \$100 to \$600 per year. Coastal increased from \$100 to \$600 by previous request. Costco business membership added for \$65. Total income projected \$41,099.41. Total Expense projected \$42,530.77 for an estimated net spending of \$1431.36. Moved (Phippeny/Stillman) to approve the Budget as amended. 10/0/0.

IV. Unfinished Business

A. Progress on Strategic Plan

Item carried forward to next month.

V. Closing

A. **Good of the Order** – Stillman confirmed the next Board meeting will be the second Saturday in July. S Smith will have a talk at the AG.

B. **Adjournment** -- Motion (Phippeny/B Smith, 10/0/0) to adjourn approved at 11:54am.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Stillman
Secretary