

GLAAM Board of Directors

Official Minutes

October 3, 2020

Conducted electronically via Zoom

	Secretary	Delegate	Members-at-Large
Mid-City	[X] Vesper Burnett	[X] Jordan Albert	[X] Greg Williamson
Coastal	[X] Alma Munro	[X] Madeline Walker	[X] Andrea Nolan
SFV	[X] Jana Bickel	vacant	[O] Gene Schneider
ELAC	vacant	vacant	[/] Sandra Smith
Hi-Desert	[X] Craig Lancaster	[X] Bruce Smith	[X] Courtney Seiter
Inland Empire	[X] Wilbert Woo	vacant	

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

Guests: Jonathan Elliott, Brian Madsen, Toni Hansen

I. Opening

- A. Call to Order – 11:02 am.
- B. Approval of Agenda – (Munro / Albert) approved 10/0/1 as amended
- C. Approval of Previous Minutes – (Albert/ Woo) approved 10/0/1

II. Reports

A. Executive Officers

- i. Chairman (Munro) - national meeting held in Sept. Discussion about RG, COVID, and budget.
- ii. Exec Vice Chair (S Smith) - not present
- iii. Vice Chair (G. Schneider) - not present
- iv. Sec (Burnett) - no report
- v. Treasurer (B Smith) – \$25879.54 for general funds and \$6423.62 for RG. All up to date for PO box and printing. Saving \$500-600 dollars a month. Good time to do projects

B. Area Reports

- i. Mid City (Burnett/Albert) – no report
- ii. Coastal (Walker/Munro) - no report
- iii. ELAC (Lee) - no report
- iv. Hi-Desert (Lancaster/ B. Smith) - G. Schneider should be counted absent with leave
- v. Inland Empire (Woo) - monthly Zoom meeting went well. New members attended.
- vi. SFV (Bickel) – first Zoom meeting, 12 participants. 1 hour seems like a good length.

C. Members-at-Large

- i. Nolan - no report
- ii. Schneider - not present
- iii. S. Smith - not present
- iv. Williamson - Movie screenings will begin in Nov. Exploring tech and user preferences. Do we have a calendar for the Zoom account? Munroe asks to use CC's list to discuss.
- v. Seiter - no report

D. Committees and Coordinators

- i. Awards (J Elliott) - no report
- ii. By-laws (J Elliott) - We haven't received response from National, so will proceed today with unfinished business
- iii. Elections (Fenig / Friedlander) - not present
- iv. Ombudsman (Friedlander) - not present
- v. Gifted Youth (Walker) - PSAT discussion has been helpful to members.

- vi. Regional Gathering (Walker) - discussions and planning ongoing.
- vii. Scholarships (Takenaka) - not present
- viii. Social Media Coordinators (Albert) – all social account information has been updated.
- ix. Special Events (Walker) - Pantages sent notice for Hamilton tickets in 2021.
- x. Strategic Planning (Munro) – no report
- xi. Testing (D. Elliott) - not present
- xii. Circulation (Madsen) - accounts up to date, all is well. Statement of ownership for Post Office in LA Mentary.
- xiii. Data (Madsen) - sending reports to reps who ask.
- xiv. LA-mentary (Kalambakal) - not present, but reminder to send in content if you have any.
- xv. Open Forum (Albert) - testing platforms with Williamson. Looking for speakers.
- xvi. SIGHT (Chew) - no report
- xvii. SIGs (Madsen/Bickel) – no report
- xviii. Webmaster (Lee) – not present
- xix. Mensaphone (Schneider) - no report
- xx. PR (Williamson) - Soft launch for GLAAM blog in Nov.
- xxi. Membership (Williamson) - no report

III. Special Orders

- A. 2021 calendar - Board meeting dates (Madsen) Apr, Jul., and Dec. all have potential issues. All agreed that Apr. and Jul. meetings be held in the 2nd week, all others as usual in the 1st week.

IV. Unfinished Business

- A. Bylaws Amendments (J. Elliott) – I-B: Bylaws Committee requested an item of Unfinished Business for 'Bylaws Amendments'.

II-D Bylaws: As previously reported, we were hoping to receive a preliminary finding from the National Bylaws Committee to pre-approve a certain amendment which we had in mind for Section V-B, which was the only element of our recent submission that they disapproved. We did not receive a response from national in time for the present Board meeting, and upon further reflection we decided that we did not care to wait another whole month, so to save time we will proceed with the Board motion today in the Unfinished Business.

IV-A Bylaws Amendments: The only element of our recent Bylaws reconstruction which the national committee disapproved was in Section V-B. Current language reads "No member of the Board of Directors shall serve as such in more than one capacity; such Board membership may be either as an Area Secretary, as an Area Delegate, or as a Member elected at Large." National committee found that text to be confusing when we then started to speak about the Executive Officers, such that if you are also serving as an Executive Officer then you are serving "in more than one capacity". Our recent amendment was to add the phrase "that is" before the second clause of the current sentence, to show that this passage has nothing to do with the Executive Officers, but that apparently was insufficient. We therefore figured that we need to reconstruct that sentence completely in order to communicate our actual intent without ambiguity. Therefore, the Bylaws Committee offered the following motion, To remove the entire text of Section V-B, including the amendment recently approved by the Board, and to replace it with the sentence "Any member of the Board of Directors shall serve as either an Area Secretary, an Area Delegate, or a Member-at-Large, but as no more than one of these concurrently.". So moved, did not require a second. [Discussion and vote to approve per Secretary's records.]

Motion approved 11/0/0.

V. New Business

- A. Testing - New options, need for locations, and need for training more proctors. (Munro) – perhaps we should wait to discuss until D. Elliott is present. However, a Connect message cleared some things up. A hiatus for testing in person testing seems to be preferable. Prometric is a substitute we could share with prospective members. Perhaps Munro can ask

National how they are handling this. Hopefully the new info coming soon will clear things up.

VI. Closing

A. Good of the Order – (Lancaster) registration is now open for world gathering. (J. Elliott) – Answers To Everything SIG thanked Editor Vickey for coming up with the idea to pull out our Good-Of-The-Order element from the last Board meeting into a miniature SIG report for the newsletter, it looked just fine from here, thanks very much.

B. Adjournment – (Walker / Albert) 11/0/0 at 12:30

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Mini-Minutes

Board Meeting – October 3, 2020

Meeting called to order at 11:02 am over Zoom, with Board members Burnett, Munro, Bickel, Lancaster, Woo, Albert, Walker, B Smith, Williamson , Nolan, and Seiter present, in addition to guests Jonathan Elliott, Brian Madsen, and Toni Hansen. Executive officers, area secretaries, coordinators and committee chairs gave updates. The board discussed the 2021 board meeting calendar, testing, and Bylaws amendments. Meeting adjourned at 12:30pm.