

GLAAM Board of Directors
Agenda - Monthly Meeting
April 2, 2016 -- 11:00am
Pilgrim Towers, 440 N. Madison Av., Pasadena CA

- I. Opening
 - A. Call to Order
 - B. Approval of Agenda
 - C. Approval of Previous Minutes

- II. Reports
 - A. Executive Officers
 - B. Area Reports [1 advance report appears below]
 - C. Members-at-Large
 - D. Committees and Coordinators [2 advance reports appear below]

- III. Special Orders
 - A. Filling of Vacant Board Positions
 - 1. IE Area Delegate
 - B. Filling of Vacant Committee/Coordinator Positions
 - 1. [none]

- IV. Unfinished Business
 - A. Progress on strategic goal of increasing member participation (D. Elliott)
 - AVC Schneider has pledged to include data on member participation in her regular reports. Originating member D. Elliott would still like to have Board time set aside to discuss what Board members are doing to engage the membership. Recent discussion included using newer survey platforms to help guide membership activities.
 - B. 2016 AG Party Bus for GLAAM Members (D. Elliott)
 - 2016 the AG is in our backyard! Wouldn't it be fun and encourage even greater participation while serving our members if GLAAM were to arrange for a Party Bus and possible Caravan so that we could head to San Diego early and stop off in wine country for a tour in advance? Perhaps enjoy some real time sight seeing on the way down AND keep the party going as we come home on July 4th with additional stops and enjoyment along the way.
 - ==> D. Elliott reported in March 2016 meeting the results from an initial survey using Survey Monkey, and intends to price out specific options for presentation in a second survey.
 - C. Community Service Project (D. Elliott)
 - Various logistical details discussed in the October 2015 meeting for initiating "Reach Out and Read" as a pilot program within GLAAM. Written report presented by D. Elliott at March 2016, resulting in resolution to adopt the Northeast Valley Health Corporation as our principal partner for the pilot program. Motions also intended for creation of an officer position to conduct Community Service, and for authorization of funds to help share the cost of background checks, after we see what kind of response we get.
 - D. Storage space (Walker)
 - The Board determined in February 2016 to take no action to change our present storage facility, principally because the amount which we would be saving by moving someplace new was found not to be worth the physical effort, given our very ample Treasury. However, the present facility recently changed its rules and now closes at 5pm on Saturday and Sunday, and 6pm on

weeknights, which creates a major logistical difficulty requiring us to revisit this topic. New facility being considered on San Fernando Road near 2 Freeway, at \$116 per month, open 7 days to 8:45p. Nolan suggested in March 2016 renting a trailer instead, and Ross volunteered to research this option and report back.

E. Area review (D. Elliott)

Quick review of boundaries, population, activities, and possibilities for change now that we are more than two years from the annexation of IE area and almost two years from annexation of HAM. During discussion in February 2016, no proposal offered for any change in boundaries, but clarification sought as to which days the different Areas should have for their official events in the new configuration; intending for further discussion to happen on the CC's list. Discussion from March 2016 included a request to consider a certain suggestion offered by Nancy Weres regarding the boundary between Hi-Desert and Inland Empire.

V. New Business

A. Scanning services (B. Smith)

Here's a URL for a company that does a lot of scanning: <http://1dollarscan.com/>

With careful use, their monthly membership may be a good deal for us. (\$100/month) probably 8 years of newsletters per month. But it will take a volunteer to stay on top of sending the material to them. Maybe tie the selection and shipping to a Board meeting. We may want to discuss how to share the archive with the membership at large.

Please share any thoughts that you may have on the matter.

B. Non-member attendance at Annual Business Meeting (Walker)

C. Strategic goal of lining up successors for volunteer positions (J. Elliott)

As reported by the Awards Committee at the March 2016 Board meeting, advances are happening among previous inductees in the Hall of Fame, but no new inductees are expected anytime soon, indicating that we need to be more proactive in lining up successors for the various officer positions within GLAAM, especially those currently held by members who have already achieved at least Gold level within the Hall of Fame. Whatever we do with the previous strategic goal of increasing member participation, therefore, I am proposing as an individual Board member that we resolve to adopt this as a separate strategic goal for continual focus during the upcoming Board term.

VI. Closing

A. Good of the Order

B. Adjournment

Mid-City [submitted on 25-Mar-2016]:

MidCity's March downtown dinner/movie night had another 7 attendees, including a couple returning people. As part of the event, we also ate dinner at Clifton's Cafeteria, which worked well as a place to meet and for dinner - lots of different options for food, plenty of seating, and I think people enjoyed it. Our Bring a Friend/Meet a Friend party at J's house was very successful - about 12 attendees, including a number of younger (college-aged) people. It was also a good mix of Mensa members and friends who tagged along, so that's great for potentially growing our membership. We sought volunteers to host upcoming events, and we'll continue to seek ways to expand our monthly events. For the upcoming Area Wide Movie event, we have several members who have reserved their attendance through our free-ticket giveaway. Before the movie our group will meet at the bar area of the theater restaurant, where we'll have light snacks and drinks.

Young M's [submitted on 10-Mar-2016]:

Esteemed GLAAM Board Members:

As the host of the monthly Young M's event, I'm writing to report on the Young M's activity from March 5, 2015 to the current date.

Since May of 2011, I have hosted the Young M's meeting in my apartment. Since I last reported, in March of 2015, meeting attendance has been steady, with about eight members who regularly attend meetings coming almost every month. I encourage newer members via Facebook to attend; and while they sometimes confirm on Facebook that they plan to, it's challenging to really get them engaged, at least initially.

That said, the current Young M's group is quite closely knit from over four years of getting to know one another at meetings and through Facebook interaction. Some of the more introverted members and young parents I see more often outside of the Young M's meetings: We'll meet for brunch, play games at someone's house, etc. Most of us intend to go to the annual gathering in San Diego in no small part because others of us have our tickets to attend. I'm sure some wouldn't go if the rest of us weren't going.

Members learn about the scheduled Young M's meeting primarily on Facebook. I post announcements about the meeting usually five days prior and ask members of the page to confirm attendance there. It is infrequently that I see someone at the meeting who has not contacted me on Facebook, though several members who aren't on Facebook correspond with me by e-mail or by texting. Tallying RSVPs on Facebook also gives me the information I need to plan the meetings: what members want to eat, who will arrive late or need directions, etc.

I am ready, willing, and able to continue hosting the Young M's meeting for the foreseeable future; however, if a prospective Young M's coordinator contacts the Board with sufficient enthusiasm, I would hand off the responsibilities upon request. If no one has expressed an interest, I hereby request the opportunity to continue as Young M's coordinator.

Expenses are accounted for in the enclosed receipts. Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Carter