

GLAAM Board of Directors  
Agenda - Annual Installation Meeting  
May 7, 2016 -- 10:30am  
Pilgrim Towers, 440 N. Madison Av., Pasadena CA

- I. Opening
  - A. Call to Order
  - B. Approval of Previous Minutes
  
- II. Closing Reports
  - A. Executive Officers
  - B. Area Reports
  - C. Members-at-Large
  - D. Committees and Coordinators [1 advance report appears below]
  
- III. Special Orders
  - A. Requirements of Bylaws Section XIII-B
    - 1. Installation of the new Board by the Election Chairman or designee, followed by resolution of any tied Board elections.
    - 2. Election of the Chairman by the members of the newly seated Board of Directors, under the supervision of the Election Chairman or designee.
    - 3. Election of the other Executive Officers by the members of the newly seated Board of Directors, under the supervision of the Election Chairman or designee.
    - 4. Installation of the new Chairman of the Board.
    - 5. Filling of any vacancies on the new Board, in accordance with procedures.
    - 6. Appointment of committee chairmen and other appointees in accordance with procedures.
    - 7. Approval of the remaining agenda by the new Board.
  
- IV. Unfinished Business
  - A. Progress on strategic goal of increasing member participation (D. Elliott)
    - Proponent D. Elliott and AVC Schneider agreed at the April 2016 meeting that they would communicate during the month, and present a closing report at the May 2016 meeting.
  - 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 4<sup>th</sup> with additional stops and enjoyment along the way.
    - ==> D. Elliott reported in March 2016 meeting the results from an initial survey using Survey Monkey. Further discussion in April 2016, with agreement to ruminate and discuss further online.
  - 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; Ross researched this option, and Board decided in April 2016 not to pursue it.

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.

F. 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.

Discussion in April 2016 included request to Historian Ross to assess how much more time would be needed to finish scanning project at current rate.

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

ByCom Chair Elliott reported in April 2016 that the goal here is to allow invited guests to attend Annual Business Meetings of the Membership as well as Board meetings. Now offering following specific motion to amend previous action taken with respect to Board meetings:

“MOVED, to amend the Standing Rule adopted in February 2016 by (1) inserting the phrase “ and Membership Business Meetings” after “GLAAM Board meetings” in the first sentence, (2) inserting the phrase “ Board meetings” after “from attending” in the second sentence, and (3) adding a third sentence reading “Similarly, a simple majority of members present and voting at a Membership Business Meeting shall be sufficient to excuse any non-Mensan from attending.”

H. 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. Therefore proposing as an individual Board member that we resolve to adopt this as a separate strategic goal for continual focus during the 2016-17 Board term. Preliminary discussion conducted at the April 2016 Board meeting, with agreement to defer the question to the new Board in May. Previous strategic goal for increasing member participation appears to have been adopted in either November or December of 2014, but we currently do not have any approved Minutes documenting the action, so we are not able to use the previous motion as a template for forming the new motion, and so instead ‘winging it’ with:

“RESOLVED, that our principal Strategic Goal for the 2016-17 Board term is to line up successors for all volunteer positions, with emphasis on those currently occupied by incumbents

who have already reached at least Gold level within the GLAAM Hall of Fame, and to actively encourage all designated successors to designate successors of their own, so that we can ensure uninterrupted volunteer service in all our programs and functions, and so that we can give our veteran volunteers some much-needed rest time before they burn out.”

V. New Business

A. Budget items for consideration (D. Elliott)

The Treasurer will be preparing a proposed Budget for the Board to vote on at the June Board Meeting. There are some items that we have not budgeted before that I would like us to consider for that Budget. This discussion item is to allow the Board to raise any particular projects or suggestions that we might consider so that when the Treasurer prepares the proposed budget, he will be able to include some of these projects. The following items in particular are ones that I would like us to consider and I encourage the rest of the Board to consider both their thoughts on these items and any other projects that they may have considered as well:

1. Additional Scholarship Funding - we have considered an additional scholarship before and we have considered increasing scholarship funds for the one scholarship we have.

2. Community Service Project - Funding to help subsidize the various checks for our members to participate in the on-site reading program.

3. Special Youth Fund - GLAAM has over 200 members that are under the age of 18. While our youth program has been growing and expanding, what if we were to use the money \*just\* from our youth members to actually fund a special youth fund that will allow us to subsidize special events and special programming for the Gifted Youth Members that GLAAM serves?

4. Other Ideas Proponent D. Elliott and AVC Schneider agreed at the April 2016 meeting that they would communicate during the month, and present a closing report at the May 2016 meeting.

B. Proposal to promote Intertel convention in newsletter (Ross)

Intertel's Lth Annual General Assembly will be taking place this year in Anaheim, CA, the weekend following Mensa's AG. From July 6th – 10th, attendees will enjoy accommodations at \$58.00 per night after taxes, breakfast, parking and Wi-Fi included. Speakers will be scheduled for morning and afternoon sessions on the 8th and 9th, and a party bus will ferry the masses to and from our banquet Saturday evening from 5:30-9:30pm. Games and hospitality rooms will run from Wednesday to Saturday, staying open until the last member cries Uncle Vanya. For more information, don't hesitate to email John Maxwell III, AGA Chair 2016 and Region IV Director at rd4@intertel-iq.org . I promise you'll have one L of a time and meet some fantastic Ilians from around the globe...

C. Dodger Game 8/14/16 (Walker)

I sent a blast about a planned Dodger Game. A group has to be at least 30 tickets.

I have 10 responses plus 2 maybes. Do we:

1. Cancel the event
2. Go to lower priced seats and blast it again (\$42 now vs. \$36?)
3. Get the 10 or 12 in the same seats, with them paying \$42, and us paying the extra \$6 for the non-group price of those seats - \$60 or \$72. Then the group will be closed to any others.
4. Other options?

VI. Closing

A. Good of the Order

B. Adjournment

Advance Report:

#### SIGHT

Felicitas Schneider, a medical intern from Germany visiting from 4/16 through 4/30, arrived and found housing. I sent her additional information on things to see in LA, upon her request, but have not heard from her since.

I haven't heard from Sihan Wang, a Swedish member and medical student here starting 3/23 for 10 weeks through an exchange program, since writing last month to follow up with him.

As you know, Jonathan, French visitor Adrien Sicart staying with me from April 22 - 27, was delightful company, and thoroughly enjoyed his visit to the Answers to Everything SIG.

No new visitors on the schedule.