



## Executive Board Meeting • Quarter 2 June 27, 2016

### I. **CALL TO ORDER: President, Dianne Azarelli** 7:03PM

### II. **ROLL CALL: President, Dianne Azarelli**

#### Present

President	Dianne Azarelli	Hillsborough County	Region 3
Past President	Stephanie Georgiades	Hillsborough County	Region 3
Governance Secretary	Samantha Goodowens	Orange County	Region 3
Treasurer	Meredith Miller	Duval County	Region 2
Education Chair	Dr. Bess Wilson	Duval County	Region 2
Public Relations Chair	Ashley Flowers-Hoang	Santa Rosa County	Region 1
Region I Coordinator	Mary-Margaret Enfinger	Leon County	Region 1
Region II Coordinator	Missy Kennedy	St. Johns County	Region 2
Region III Coordinator	Terri Pope-Hellmund	Orange County	Region 3
President Elect	Kathleen Casper	Pinellas County	Region 3

#### Absent/Joining Later

Advocacy Chair	Karen Fradley	Pinellas County	Region 3
Membership Chair	Brenda Wirick	Jefferson County	Region 1
Region IV Coordinator	Zuzel Rodriguez	Broward County	Region 4

#### Vacant Positions

Bylaws Chair  
FLDOE Gifted Specialist

### III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM QUARTER 1, 2016 MEETING**

Dianne Azarelli: Call for a unanimous approval of minutes reflecting date change for Qtr 2 meeting.

VOTE: unanimous approval  
1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Meeting Minutes of March 14, 2015 APPROVED

## IV. REPORTS

### A. **Treasury Report:** **Meredith Miller**

- Profit & Loss - Net income \$1,145 report to date.
- Balance Sheet - Meredith questioned the Delaware Investments report. She is requesting information about how the Delaware Investment account is run. Kathleen Casper asked for clarification as to what that fund was. Stephanie Georgiades clarified by stating that the account was established during Terry Wilson's Presidency but in 2012 there was a large surplus in the checking account and \$20,000 was added to the fund. Currently, there is an estimated balance of \$40,000. The fund's intention is meant to handle operating costs for up to 2 years if there is no FLAG Conference. The fund is in Terry's name so this year Meredith and Kathleen will attempt to legally extricate her posthumously from the account and get it properly allocated to FLAG with a rotating Treasurer.
- Year to Date vs. Previous Year to Date – Meredith did a graph comparing last year's income to this year. This graph incorporates the membership and the conference which occurs in Quarter 3. To date we have generated \$3,600 through various sources i.e. PayPal, Check etc. There is a discrepancy about a book line item that Stephanie Georgiades indicated was an error. Meredith and Stephanie agreed to go over each line item and make sure that the items are accurate by both year and categories and possibly prepare the books for an audit by an actual accountant. Once the budget audit is complete, we will enter the reconciled report as part of the minutes for the next minute.

### B. **Secretary Report:** **Samantha Goodowens**

- Samantha has been working with Rene Islas at NAGC to offer attendees from Florida free admission to the exhibit hall as well as a discount toward attendance. She sent out the flier (attached) to all the Gifted Coordinators at the Orange, Seminole, Osceola and St. John's District ESE's to publicize to their families. She asked the Coordinators to give her a list of their Gifted teachers so she could connect with them as well. To date there was no response from the Coordinators.
- Samantha will be reaching out to the Central Florida Public School Boards Coalition to ask them for time at their next meeting to invite the I-4 corridor school districts to the NAGC Convention and to facilitate a formal introduction to FLAG and it's resources.

### C. **President-Elect Report:** **Kathleen Casper**

- Asked for the members of the board to review her written report. Kathleen, Dianne, Samantha and Lauri Kirsch met with the NAGC advance team at Coronado Springs to discuss some early media and general set-up for the National Conference. The meeting was not very productive, and Dianne and Kathleen have asked for a new administrative meeting with only them in attendance to further their ability to be more productive.

**D. Past President Report: Stephanie Georgiades**

- Her report was published in the most recent newsletter.
- Kathleen Casper was nominated un-opposed for President-Elect and was appointed to the post of President-Elect. The next available election will be in October/November for the position of Secretary.

**E. President Report: V. Dianne Azzarelli**

- Dianne was in attendance at the dinner at Coronado Springs. She also reported having truncated productivity because of Lauri's participation. The administrative issues were not discussed because fundraiser ideas dominated the conversation.
- Dianne met with the founder of a foundation that educates and runs programs on honeybees. They are rolling out a program for Florida aimed at typical 4<sup>th</sup> grade students so she estimates that the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Gifted students will benefit from this program.

**F. Committee Chair Reports:**

**1. Advocacy Committee Chair: Karen Fradley**

- Karen is not in attendance. Dianne read from an email on her behalf. Written report attached to the minutes.
- Saturday during the NAGC Convention, there will be special events focusing on parents. The NAGC doesn't want to call it Parent's Day since they are hoping parents will want to participate for the entire schedule. The schedule has been set. The roundtables will be hosted by a member of the FLAG Board and a national professional.

7:30A	Continental Breakfast
8:00A	Welcome / Information – NAGC, FLAG & FGN Sally Krisel, Dianne Azzarelli, Karen Fradley, Jennifer Martin
8:30A	Keynote: Understanding and Addressing Underachievement D. Betsy McCoach and Del Siegle
9:40A	Roundtables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Sibling Relationships</li><li>- Perfectionism</li><li>- Overexcitabilities</li><li>- 2e (Twice Exceptional)</li><li>- Critical and Creative Thinking at Home</li><li>- Acceleration</li><li>- Mindfulness</li><li>- Homeschooling Profoundly Gifted</li><li>- Motivation</li><li>- Underachievement</li><li>- Advocating for your child in the district and beyond</li><li>- Supporting Social and Emotional</li></ul>
10:10A	Closing Remarks

- 2. Bylaws Committee Chair:** **VACANT**
- This post will not be filled until such time as the post is needed.

- 3. Education Committee Chair:** **Dr. Bess Wilson**
- Written report attached to the minutes.
  - She has spent her time over the last quarter reaching out to the Regional Coordinators providing support as they work with parents and teachers in their regions, as well as getting the word out in their regions about the NAGC Convention.
  - She will be focusing on getting more information available via FLAG's website.

- 4. Membership Involvement Chair:** **Brenda Wirick**
- No written report attached to the minutes. Brenda not in attendance.

- 5. Public Relations Committee Chair:** **Ashley Flowers-Hoang**
- No written report attached to the minutes.
  - Ashley is working on a template for the newsletter and the goal is to send them out on a monthly basis. She is looking to publish on the last Friday of each month. She has requested that the board members submit by the last Monday of the month so that she has time to compile and send out on Friday. Kathleen recommended that the newsletter have a Region section so that each region could publicize something each month. Ashley mentioned that she would send a reminder email to the board members each month to make sure that they submit. Dianne reminded everyone in this context that each region is expected to host 2 events per year and they should make sure that they be in different cities so they can make sure that at least one of them is accessible to all their members. Samantha recommended that there be a "kudos corner" from each region that could engender parents and educators to want to read the newsletter.

**C. Region Reports:**

- 1. Region I:** **Mary-Margaret Enfinger**
- Submitted written report attached to the minutes.
  - Roger Fisher came to Region 1 to speak on nurturing creativity in standards based classrooms. Kathleen Casper was an integral part of the success of the program and it was amazing.
  - Mary-Margaret is working on getting donations for giveaways during the NAGC Convention. She will deliver them to Dianne at work since she will not be coming to the convention until after it begins.

- The Tallahassee Gifted Network has shut down. They were responsible for ¼ of the communication with the parents in the region and it is a loss to the Gifted community. They have given their database to Mary-Margaret, who is going to forward that on to Brenda and Ashley.

## **2. Region II: Missy Kennedy**

- Submitted written report attached to the minutes.
- St. John County has experienced a restructuring of their Gifted departments. They have released most of their staff, including Missy, and they have moved some of their staff to new positions.
- Missy hosted a Parent Advisory Council meeting in May. She reached out to the Gifted Coordinators from the other districts in Region II, but did not get a very large response. They covered overexcitabilities and stress/anxiety with Gifted students. Michael Stapleton spoke on Mental Wellness.
- There was a Gifted Endorsement Bootcamp offering 3 of the Gifted endorsement classes in 2 weeks.

## **3. Region III: Terri Pope-Hellmund**

- Submitted written report attached to the minutes.
- Region III gained over 20 new members for FLAG during the UCF Gifted Conference. Dianne, Samantha and Terri were there to man a table and sign people in on site using an iPad.
- On May 26<sup>th</sup> Terri hosted a Region III Parent Council. They discussed typical Gifted characteristics, social/emotional, parenting when not all the children are Gifted, perfectionism, underachieving and parent's rights in the school district.
- Terri and Samantha are coordinating the volunteers for the NAGC Convention. They have compiled a spreadsheet of interested people and will be working with Robin Feldman to meet the positions asked for by NAGC.

## **4. Region IV: Zuzel Rodriguez**

- Submitted written report attached to the minutes. Zuzel not in attendance.

**D. Coordinator of FLAG:**

**Stephanie Georgiades**

- Stephanie trained Brenda on Wild Apricot and showed her the online applications for through Google for the scholarships and awards offered by FLAG. While she was training Brenda, they discovered they had NO applicants for the Creative Teacher Award, 2 applicants for the Scobee Scholarship and 5 or 6 applicants for the Nicholas Green. The deadline is June 30, so there will be something put on the website and facebook page to see if we can get some more interest.

- Stephanie updated Dianne and Kathleen's FLAG email addresses and contact information.

**E. FLDOE Gifted Specialist:**

**VACANT**

- FLDOE has not hired a Gifted Specialist so there is no one available to be appointed to the board at this time.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Need of New Advertisement**

- The Brochures that we have for FLAG are out of date and visually needing an update as well. The online brochure also does not download or print well. Stephanie is interested in heading this project and suggested the funds come from the region budgets for marketing materials. Samantha and Ashley have offered to help as well. Stephanie is hoping to have new designs available for the board to approve before the end of July.

- There is a need to get a new table cover. Dianne is going to price out the costs and have it for approval before the next board meeting. Dianne also outlined how FLAG will be received income via the NAGC Convention. There is a guarantee of \$5000 for the Florida attendees as well as a 10% share in educational programming sales.

**B. South Florida Gifted and Talented Symposium / Friday, September 23, 2016**

- Dianne will be attending however, she needs to have a representative to assist her to represent FLAG. Dianne also requested that FLAG cover the hotel costs.

**C. NAGC Conference Expectations**

- FLAG Board members are expected to be at the Board Meeting on November 4<sup>th</sup>. The hope is that the FLAG Suite at the hotel will be large enough to accommodate a functional workspace.

- The 7 LAC Representatives are required to be there from Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>. The NAGC will be paying for their conference registration but will not be supplying their hotel rooms. NAGC will be passing on their discount rate of \$129 for up to 5 rooms. FLAG will be covering half the costs for the board members but if the board members room with one another, then there will be no personal costs. Currently, Dianne and Stephanie will be sharing the FLAG suite, leaving the 5 LAC rooms for the 10 Board Members to share.

- There will be a FLAG Auction during the conference. There will be volunteer time slots that need to be filled by anyone who is being subsidized to attend to the conference, as well as an expectation that each board member help procure items. FLAG is hoping to have at least 12 items for auction.

- There was some discussion about the fees for the NAGC Conference with regards to how to get a refund or transfer the registration for any LAC members who paid. Additionally, Dianne is going to be finding out if FLAG can offer a group rate to allow for our members to register at the \$399 rate instead of full price.

**D. Board Meeting Schedule for the remainder of 2016**

Quarter 3 Board:	August 29	7:00P	Teleconference
Quarter 4 Board:	November 4	T.B.D.	NAGC Convention
Annual General:	November 5	T.B.D.	NAGC Convention

**E. Board Announcements / Requests / General**

No Announcements At This Time

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

8:43PM

***\*ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION REFERENCED DURING THE MEETING ATTACHED***