

Board Meeting for April 4, 2018

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order 7:03

2. ROLL CALL:

President, Kathleen Casper

Present:

President	Kathleen Casper	President-elect	Bess Wilson
Treasurer	Yvette	Public Relations	Amy Trujillo
Parent-Advocacy	Karen Fradley	By-Laws Chair	Missy Kennedy
Education Chair	Sandra Parks	Region 1 Coordinator	Kim Perez
Membership Chair	Tiombe		

Absent:

Secretary	Teri
Membership Chair	Adeyela Bennett
Region 2 Coordinator	Arlene
Region 3 Coordinator	Samantha Goodowens
Region 4 Coordinator	Veronica

3. Approval of Minutes

1) Second-half of minutes from January 9th

Kathleen Casper: Motion to approve minutes

2) No additional discussion.

VOTE: approval; Sandra abstained (not present)

4. Reports

1) Written reports should be sent to the President prior to board meeting to help run the meeting more efficiently.

2) President (Kathleen Casper): pleased to be working with Bess and the new conference planner.

3) President-Elect (Bess Wilson): Signed contract with the hotel (4 Point Sheraton, Orlando) and venue. A sponsorship package is being put together and proposed by the conference planner to Bess and Kathleen.

- Kathleen also noted that she attended the Advocacy and Leadership conference

4) Treasurer (Yvette):

- Extension has been filed for the annual report. All accounts and financial entities have been/are being transferred over to Yvette from Stephanie's name.
- Yvette plans on working on Quickbooks and a financial report will be presented at the next board meeting.

5) Bylaws (Missy Kennedy): Bylaws and procedures are being reviewed by Missy so that proper protocol is followed at each meeting.

- 6) Public Relations: (Amy Trujillo): Newsletter is set to go out within the next week. Regional events, educational events should be sent to her to add. Kathleen noted how well Amy is doing in publicizing FLAG through social media outlets and our newsletter.
- 7) Membership (Timobe): Present, no report
- 8) Advocacy (Vivianna): Not present
- 9) Education Chair (Sandra Parks): Sandra is looking for ideas as to guide regional coordinators as to what she can help with and what her responsibilities are as the chair. Region 1 (Kim) suggested topics/information begin added to the newsletter where our members can comment, respond, or elicit information would be a good idea as a place to start. Sandra has two proposals that she put forth to the board:
 - a. Conduct strand and state meetings regarding gifted students who are minorities throughout the state
 - b. Conduct 4 regional meetings regarding best practice, available resources, etc.
- 10) Region 1 Coordinator (Kim): Center for only gifted students is opening for 9th and 10th graders in Tallahassee. Teachers have been given the opportunity to take gifted endorsement courses so that there are teachers in all subject area content specialized in gifted education.
- 11) Region 2 Coordinator (Arlene): Not present
- 12) Region 3 Coordinator (Samantha): Not present, but written report provided prior to meeting
- 13) Region 4 Coordinator (Veronica): Not present

5. Old Business

- 1) Conflict of interest forms need to be completed and sent to Kathleen immediately.
- 2) To be a board member, you must be a paid member of FLAG
- 3) Advocacy Leadership Conference (Kathleen in attendance) minutes:
 - a. Presenters focused on the excellence gap; high achievers versus gifted students
 - b. Conference seemed to steer away from standardized test scores and focus on the holistic view of a gifted student; how to promote gifted education in a standardized testing environment
 - c. Lobbying:
 - i. Javitz Grant to be renewed and fully funded; Funded but not enough
 - ii. Higher Education Act: review wording as to how Title 1 & 2 funds are being used specifically for gifted education
 - d. Kathleen will attend the SENG conference in California as a representative of FLAG.

6. New Business

- 1) Wild Apricot fee has increased (940\$/annual). Board is open to new suggestions for a different organization that can complete the same tasks that Wild Apricot does, however, at a lower fee.
- 2) Insurance went down. Past budget was over allocated for this, so that offset the cost of Wild Apricot. The insurance decrease is a result of an annual discount offered for longevity of membership.
- 3) Conference contract for venue has been confirmed.
 - a. First floor will be used on Friday and Saturday (October 5th & 6th, 2018).

- b. Lunch will be provided on Saturday, with appetizers on Friday at the reception.
- c. We will NOT be using the hotel's technology equipment (Due to cost), however, BESS will be providing equipment (LCD, proper wiring, etc.) Bess did ask for a board member to see if a laptop was available for use during the conference.
- d. Layout of the conference will be less than in year's past due to the size of the hotel floor plan. Mini-keynotes rather than one large keynote is being explored. Bess has reached out to Megan for a keynote
- e. Cost of hotel (\$109) per night; FLAG will pay for half of the room; please let Bess know if you would like to share or pay the ½ of your room to get your own.
- f. Allow Daphne (Conference planner) to have access to Wild Apricot

7. Good to the Order

- a. Please let Bess know preference for rooming for the conference.

8. ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned 6:55. (Bess motioned)