



FLAG BOARD REPORTS

June 2017

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President Report, Kathleen Casper

We are off and running towards conference 2017!

THANK YOU

I am excited that everyone is chipping in and many have done a ton of things to help with preparations. I especially want to thank:

- Amy for the PR work she is doing with announcing the conference information and all our other events and notices on Facebook, the website, etc. and for her work to help streamline the conference registration pages on our website.
- Stephanie for all the work she is doing as our interim treasurer and immediate past president- she has fixed a lot of old errors in paperwork and registrations, and has taken the registration task on, which is no small matter... she also is continuously helpful when I have questions!
- Adeyela who has been so helpful with membership issues, and the tons of questions that come up during conference registrations regarding membership.

(I don't mean to leave anyone out- all of you are working on so many tasks. But I feel like these three women have kept us afloat while registration rolled out this past month. THANK YOU ALL!!)

FLAG PROPERTY

Thank you also to everyone who picked up the pieces and continued FLAG on a forward motion when Dianne resigned- with Stephanie, Rob and Samantha helping with the archiving of the president email account and working as a team to try to resolve the issues of retrieving the FLAG property (We did not have any luck with that, and as the value of the items is less than the cost of retaining an attorney would be, we continue to hope she will return the items, but are not pursuing legal remedies at this time.)

MOTION FOR SPECIAL EVENT INSURANCE FOR CONFERENCE

We do have one item that we need to vote on regarding finances- we learned that we need an additional "special events" insurance policy to cover our 2-day conference. We received a quote for \$1100 from our own insurance agent, but then found one for \$165.17 from EventHelper.com. It seems to cover the things we need covered. I will attach the form. We will need to add this item to our 2017 budget as an increase in our projected costs for insurance (it was \$3000 for the year, but now we need to make it a total of \$3165.17.)

Conference Chair Report, Kathleen Casper

Conference 2017: Theme, "The Gifted Frontier", dates Sept. 15-16, 2017, Flagler College, St. Augustine

Registrants so far: 39 total as of June 2, 2017. Early bird registration ends June 15, 2017 and then all prices will go up \$25 per month until the conference.

Vendors so far:

- Lesley Mace with the Federal Reserve Bank will have a booth
- Kimberly Thomas-Cain with Duke TIP will have a booth
- Beacon Educator will have a booth
- Gulino Group will have a booth

Additional: Socially Funded, LLC will bring auction items (sports and celebrity memorabilia,) and we will get a share of anything they sell in exchange for not charging them for the booth space.

Advertisers and Sponsors so far:

- Duke TIP is not only a vendor, but will be an advertiser and also is sponsoring \$1000 towards our desert party
- Solid Rock Community School will have an ad
- Corbett Prep plans on having an ad
- The Bag Ladies will likely have an ad and a booth (they wrote to say they would definitely like to)

Board responsibilities:

Individual tasks (as per the task list that was emailed months ago and any updates we have discussed- please email me or call me if you have any questions about your tasks! Thank you to everyone for helping with so much!!)

Group responsibilities:

- Each board member should bring a silent auction basket and/or other donation items
- We start the conference with a board lunch together on Thursday, Sept. 14 (pre-conf. meeting)
- Pizza dinner, short meeting, and helping set-up of VIP desert party location on Friday, Sept. 15.
- Helping during the conference as much as needed, (schedule/tasks will be broken down in a “script” prior to event so we all have a lot to do during the conference, but it’s spread out!)

Time saver:

The money that would have been used to donate bags for the conference from Duke TIP will now be spent on other sponsorship package options, and we will not have to spend hours stuffing bags!

Speakers:

Breakout session speakers have been notified of their presentation acceptance status and have been asked to register by June 15 to accept their spots. Many have registered, a couple said they now can’t make it (we have a couple back-up proposals that I have contacted). All have been reminded if they haven’t yet registered.

Immediate Past-president 2nd Quarter Report, Stephanie Georgiades

- Sent article to open the Call for Nominations in the May newsletter
- Set up the 2017 Call for Nominations online application to run from May1 to June 15, 2017
- Currently monitoring the CFN through June 15, 2017
- On June 16 we will begin the approval for our slate of nominees and then hold our 2017 elections from August 1 through September 1, 2017.
- The newly elected board members (President Elect and Treasurer will be introduced at the 2017 Conference in St. Augustine

Treasurer 2nd Quarter Report, Stephanie Georgiades

- I created the 2017 Budget based on the 2016 LY expenditures, and presented it to the board for approval for the 2/28/17 Budget meeting
- I received Treasurer materials from Meredith at the end of February
- Added Kathleen to the Suntrust signature card and removed Meredith and Dianne
- I organized the 2016 Suntrust bank statements and found the two bank accounts to be in order, but missing the required receipts to rectify the accounts
- I paid the 2017 NAGC Premium Membership fee of \$550
- I booked hotel rooms for the FLAG BOD as well as the Keynote speakers (Courtright, Fisher, and Ford)
- I secured our General Liability, Professional Liability, and Directors and Officers insurance
- I reimbursed Fisher for his flight
- I booked Ford's flight
- I registered our Annual Report with the State
- I set up registration for the conference
- I am in the process of changing the Registered Agent with the State (we need to remove Dianne as President.) It cost \$35 but we need to do this for legal and insurance reasons.
- I changed the Delaware Investment Registered Agent to Kathleen (President) and myself (Treasurer). We needed the Death Certificate of Terry Wilson and a Medallion Signature to do this.
- I have invoiced the Exhibitors/Vendors for the conference and am accepting check as payment to cut down on our PayPal fees. Anyone wanting to pay by credit card will be charged a service fee starting at \$5
- I am trying to secure Bacardi Rum for our Pirate Dessert party

Secretary Report, Terri Pope Hellmund

(No report, but last meeting's minutes to be sent separately)

Bylaws Committee Chair, Rob Henning

I really have nothing to report with regards to By-laws. Dianne has been uncooperative and has yet to turn over any materials.

For the upcoming conference, I have asked some friends in the liquor industry as to the best way to approach donations. We will most likely have to pay for some portion of the alcohol, however on a small scale I should be able to get some local donations of wine and beer and hopefully liquor. The liquor tends to have many more restrictions. I have one connection with a distributor (which is the key to donations) but I have yet to hear back.

Public Relations Committee Chair, Amy Trujillo

I have kept Facebook and Twitter up-to-date, have edited the website as needed, worked with the conference registration information, and sent out monthly newsletters.

I also represented FLAG at the ACE conference and the ADAGE conference as well as co-organized the Gifted Family Game Night.

Membership Committee Chair, Adeyela Bennett

Adeyela would like to talk to the board about news she has, so she will be on the agenda for the meeting.

Advocacy Committee Chair, Karen Fradley

Parent emails included:

- A group of parents from Orange County who are upset about the change in services provided at the school and the lack of clear communication between the school and the families.
- A parent with questions about evaluation criteria. The school waited until her son turned 6 to complete the psych eval. He did not meet criteria and she felt that if he were tested when he was referred when he was 5 that he would have met criteria.

Gifted Proclamation:

- Application is on file with the governor. I requested the proclamation be completed in August this year so that we're not running up to the last minute wondering if he's going to sign it.

Conference notes:

- Planning a parent round table session - open to any suggestions if you have them

Education Committee Chair, Hope Bess Wilson

The Education Committee is dedicated to providing support to regions coordinators as they plan regional events. Please let me know if you need ideas, support, help for coordinating with your region. I would like to explore next year how we can provide education and professional development to teachers as well as support and education to parents.

To further this goal, I have created a committee of university faculty to help with the mission of education. I hope that this committee will be a support to the rest of the board and allow for us to have more direct communication with the researchers in the field.

Currently on the committee are:

- Dr. Cheryl Adams,
- Dr. Elizabeth Shaunessey,
- Dr. Chris Weber, and
- Dr. Gillian Erickson

Please let me know if you have any additional suggestions or contacts to add to the committee.

Region 1 Coordinator, Kim Perez

Kim has been working on the poster presentation “invitation to submit” flyer and working with a committee to create guidelines for choosing what posters will be displayed at the conference.

(Kim said she will send the flyer to be shared with the board prior to the meeting)

Region 2 Coordinator, Missy Kennedy

Helen DiMare, the gifted coordinator for St. Johns County Schools and I are working together on getting the student entertainers set up for the conference.

I spoke to our past St. Johns County Teacher of the Year (who happens to be our band director at Swiss Point) to see if we can get her jazz band to play for us.

I have reached out to the autism center to see if they wanted to have a booth.

I helped get information about the hotels for conference participants to use.

And I gathered information for potential lunch sites for the BOD lunch for Thursday, Sept. 14, including:

- 1) Mojos (BBQ) <http://mojobbq.com>
- 2) Ice Plant <http://iceplantbar.com/menu/>
- 3) The Floridian <http://www.thefloridianstaug.com>

Region 3 Coordinator, Samantha Goodowens

Samantha said she will send her report shortly!

Region 4 Coordinator, Zuzel Rodriguez

No report

(I couldn't reach her to confirm if she was sending one, so hopefully she can update us by email prior to the meeting if possible.)