VTGFOA Board Meeting December 17, 2014 Via Conference Call

Present: Cheryl A. Lindberg, Jeff Mobus, John O'Connor, William Hall, Lauren Morrisseau, Cynthia Gibbs,

**Shelley Quinn** 

Regrets: Wendy Wilton, Sarah Duffy

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m. by President Jeff Mobus.

<u>Minutes of 11/29/14</u>: Moved and seconded to approve minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>President's Report:</u> President Jeff Mobus included a written report. NESGFOA additional member from Vermont was discussed as Jeff was unsuccessful in convincing Peter Frankenburg to accept the spot. Jeff will send out an email to all the members of VTGFOA and ask if someone would like to fill the opening. With the GFOA membership being a greater number of School District officials, it was suggested that we may want to get a School Finance Director that is a member (or will become a member) to fill this opening. Shelley will make a plug at the next VASBO meeting as well. Other updates on the recent NESGFOA Board meeting were shared. The GFOA Annual Conference will be in Philadelphia, PA May 31 – June 3, 2015 and all are urged to attend. For a first-time attendee, there is a GFOA scholarship available for \$380.00 registration fee.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Treasurer John O'Connor presented our FY 11/30/2014 financial reports. VTGFOA has \$13,504.59 in cash and receivables of \$ 0.00. There is \$ 0.00 in liabilities, with \$ 12,004.59 in unassigned fund balance and \$ 1,500 in assigned fund balances for VTGFOA scholarships. As of 11/30/14 VTGFOA had an excess of \$ 2,640.30 in revenues over expenditures for the year versus a budgeted deficit of \$ 1,795.00. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's report. The motion passed unanimously.

Education Committee: Bill Hall provided an update on the Winter workshop. Lauren has helped Bill with wording for the Workshop brochure and Bill is pleased with Lauren's recommendation of John DosSantos from the VT Environmental Conservation as a presenter. Distribution of the material should include Town Managers and Selectboard members, as well as the advertising sites used for the previous workshop that were free. Locating a place in WRJ for the workshop has been a challenge. The Hotel Coolidge and Wilder Center were ruled out. It was suggested to reach out to CCV in Wilder and the Fairfield Inn in WRJ, both of which are close to the interstate. We want to be sure to have sufficient space in the anticipation of a larger attendance.

Membership Committee: Nothing reported.

Legislative Committee: Nothing reported.

Website discussion: Lauren provided website update information to all Board members over the past month and wanted to know if there were any questions from Board members on what has been developed. There were none and Board members were appreciative of the work that Lauren has done. There was a motion made to move ahead with the new website. The motion was seconded and voted unanimously. Lauren has

some invoices to submit for the work that has been done which she will provide to John for reimbursement before the next meeting.

Next meeting date/time: January 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:30pm via conference call.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn. All voted in favor. The meeting adjourned at 2:06 pm. Merry Christmas/Happy Holidays to all!! All the best for the New Year too!!

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl A. Lindberg