

VTGFOA Board Meeting
March 18, 2015
Via Conference Call

Present: Cheryl A. Lindberg, Jeff Mobus, John O'Connor, William Hall, Shelley Quinn, Cynthia Gibbs, Sarah Duffy

Regrets: Lauren Morrissette and Wendy Wilton

The meeting was called to order at 1:33 p.m. by President Jeff Mobus.

Minutes of 2/24/15: Moved and seconded to approve minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

President's Report: President Jeff Mobus included a written report. He noted that he has not received any interest in the additional NESGFOA Board position for Vermont and has received the VTGFOA membership list and will use it to reach out to school district members. He mentioned the spring workshop for NESGFOA and urged Board members to attend. He is working on the location for our Annual Meeting and found that Capitol Plaza is not available (see below). GFOA Conference is May 31 – June 3rd and there is a scholarship for first-time attendees. NESGFOA Conference is in Boston, August 30 – September 2nd.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer John O'Connor presented our 2/28/15 financial reports. VTGFOA has \$13,961.85 in cash and receivables of \$ 0.00. There is \$ 0.00 in liabilities, with \$ 12,461.85 in unassigned fund balance and \$ 1,500 in assigned fund balances for VTGFOA scholarships. As of 2/28/15 VTGFOA had an excess of \$ 3,097.56 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. There were no invoices needed approval at this meeting.

Education Committee: Bill Hall provided an update on the Annual Meeting educational piece. He has a yes from Kerin Stackpole, a yes from Lisa Parker, but has not heard back from Beth Pearce, State Treasurer. The Board discussed a 9:00 am start with topics, annual meeting at 11:45, lunch at 12:30, 1:30 to 3:30 topics, then our brief organizational meeting after the day is complete.

Bill then proposed the idea of having a two-day workshop in the fall with an additional offering for those that want a more extensive training opportunity. This way we could do a program like the Lean Program and have it be a full presentation and more beneficial to those wanting to implement it.

Membership Committee: Nothing reported.

Legislative Committee: Nothing reported.

Business to be conducted: The location of the annual meeting was discussed at length and the Board gave Jeff the authority to discuss the event at the Hilltop, conveniently located off of I-89 at exit 7. It has a large room and plenty of parking. The room fee at Hilltop is \$125.00 as long as we spend \$20 per person on food, which should not be an issue. Jeff will move ahead with these discussions.

NESGFOA Spring workshop scholarships were discussed next. Cheryl reported that there were two applications received on a timely basis from Jeff Mobus and Bill Hall. Jeff reported receiving a late email from Leesa Stewart of the Vermont Solid Waste Management District requesting a scholarship as well. The Board voted unanimously to approve the requests for the three scholarships.

Shelley Quinn is still working on the polling of the Board in her capacity as Nominating Committee. So far, no one has said they want to leave the Board. She will have a full report at the next meeting.

Topics for April meeting – Jeff will distribute some policies to review.

New website descriptions and information – CPE credits, etc. After a brief explanation by Cheryl about what the content on the new website has, it was decided that Sarah and Cheryl would work together to propose new content. They will report back to the Board at the next meeting.

Next meeting date/time: **April 29th at 1:30 pm** by conference call.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn. All voted in favor. The meeting adjourned at 2:14 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl A. Lindberg