

WGI-US BOARD MINUTES

Date: May 11th, 2016 Time: 11am-1pm EST
Respectively Submitted by Sue Tomaszewski

Present: Kim Olver, Terri Allen, Willa Casstevens, Jim Mischler, Sue Tomaszewski, Dave Bets, Jan Moore, Shearon Carder-Jackson, Shruti Tekwani

Absent: Steve Hammond, Bruce Allen, Jim Mischler

Agenda Item	Issue	Proposal: Proposed By: Seconded By: Result of Consensus Decision:	Decision/Discussion:	Action Required: By Whom: When:
1. Approve April's minutes taken	Not everyone got them	Table this so we can take a look and clarify with Shruti		
2. Always keep in Mind: Revenue streams, Research, Value-Added for Members, Quality				

3. Treasurer's Report - Jan

- Jan is now on the account
- Income membership is ahead of last year. We would like to be further ahead on this.
- Conference income only \$3000 this year because it's a faculty retreat year rather than a national conference year. Kim still has two checks to deposit.
- Total income closer to target for the quarter
- Jan needs to consult with Denise because the bank charges seem to inexplicably higher than last year, unless something unknown has changed. This seems to be a recurring discussion (came up in February)
- Jan will look into whether we can reduce these in any way.

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4. SE Conference news – Willa

- Contract – Kim has requested & received a contract revision – more below:

-Dates – Willa apologizes, having thought these already shared with the Board; the item's still on the agenda (below): Brownstone Hotel contract dates cover Wednesday 7/26/2017 – Monday 7/31/2017.

-Tentatively:

Wednesday daytime will be trainings and/or a plenary package of guest speakers, which all will be paid for separately from the conference

WGI-US Conference aims to start Wednesday evening with a plenary dinner in the large Sessions Room, and to conclude Saturday evening with a plenary dinner as well;

Faculty day is on Monday morning in Board Room; followed by an in house board lunch

WGI-US board meeting is on

	<p>Talking about the conference theme: Numbers: we have 65 rooms reserved (double beds). For Thursday and Friday, we have 75 rooms reserved. We will be responsible for 75% of those room numbers.</p> <p>Good news – the hotel is offering us rooms with 2 double beds at \$114/nite and suites at \$159/nite; double beds are being replaced by queens – this possibly needs to be noted in contract, also, that people can have the king bed option if preferred over two beds for the \$114 price</p> <p>The plenary Sessions Room in the contract will only hold 120 people & the 3 break-out Caucus Rooms will only hold 40 people each; this will “max out” registration capacity at 120 (possibly 150, if we can assume not everyone will attend everything)</p> <p>Having reviewed the hotel venue, we will need to budget for the hotel A/V services; screens & projectors will need to be brought into all spaces, as will audio-speakers</p>	Kim will sign the contract	
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	<p>if we want to offer CEUs, the WakeAHEC can handle this plus our advertising locally for a reasonable – I'll be happy to get estimates from them with & without advertising;</p> <p>an off-the-cuff verbal guesstimate was that handling CEUs alone might be done for \$25/person</p> <p>Peter Breggin:</p> <p>-Tentative fee of \$1500/Whitaker plus travel expenses.</p> <p>NE conference is also wanting to host Breggin</p> <p>Tables for future discussion</p> <p>Bob Wubbolding: what do we think? Dave has a clarifying question. What is the understanding of Bob's involvement? Willa involved Bob to speak at our 2017 conference. He would be one of the prenalies. Willa did not offer him any money. We are also thinking about Peter Breggan-he will be presenting</p>	<p>-Willa thinks it's a matter of honoring one of Dr. Wglasser's big supporters and recognizing people who has that international stature. Shruti says on the behalf of Youth, it's good to see new faces sometimes.</p> <p>Jan says she has also taught a bit around Austin and Bob is appearing more and more prominently in those textbooks. She thinks Bob needs to be a constant for us. She also feels new blood is important. Dave is aligned with the notion of Bob as one of 6. Shearon echo's Dave's comment. Sue agrees as well. She also thiks there are people who come to the conference to see people like Bob. Jim thinks that Bob represents a piece of our heritage and he thinks it recognizes who we are, where we come from, and our past.</p>	<p>The Board is in favor of having Bob there. Consense:</p> <p>Willa-5 Jan-4 Sue-4 Jim-4 Terri-4 Shearon-4</p>	
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Jan left at 12:12 EST				
5. What are we doing right? How can we do better?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TKim-he face that we are planning a conference more than a year in advance is great! 2. Dave-We raised the NC issue and came to an agreement 3. Jim-the fact that we can have a thoughtful discussion over thorny issues. 4. Kim-Bob W's discussion as well was a thoughtful one 5. Shruti-appreciate the openness of youth and new ideas 6. Sue-doesn't want to be a nah; just want to check in on how we are doing consensus. Can it be more clear? 			

6. Rubric on deciding instructors	<p>We talked about this last month and in Dallas. A lot of us make the decision on personal experience and gut feeling instead of the rubric. We have a policy that says when someone reaches out to us for instructors, we give 3 names (1 can be ourselves). The other two need to be reasonably located. We had talked about having instructors do TED talks. Maybe having a 3rd event an annual meeting of instructors where we have a day of TEDx talks. There would also be a peer review. This is just an idea...let's chat!</p> <p>Willa says the venue is important, especially with LM, Education, Counseling. Each of those venues could be pretty specific.</p> <p>Shruti-wonder if there could be a type of course catalog similarly to picking a Doctor. On the WGi website we could have a list of instructors, what they specialize in, a little about them. Is this unreasonable? No, just a lot of work for Denise.</p>			
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7. Board selection committee	Kim is sending out emails. Jim wants to know if she needs members to be on a review committee. Kim gets them and sends them to every member. Bob had sent out an introduction and rubric for QS. We want to make sure everything so far is marked "draft". Jim and Sue agree that they are done and ready to go public with phase 1. They are looking for official approval to say phase 1 is done and can be used at this point.			