



GIFCT-US Board Meeting Minutes  
**July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
**4pm Eastern, 3pm Central, 2pm Mountain, 1pm Pacific**

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In Attendance:

Shruti Tekwani – Interim Executive Director  
Lois Knapton – Chair  
John Mieras – Vice Chair, At Large  
Janette More – Product Director, Treasurer, & Sunbelt Region  
Les Triche – West Region  
Sharon Carder-Jackson – Mid American Region  
Martin Price – Northwest Region  
Cesar Castaneda – Member at large  
Jim Mishler – Midwest Region  
Steve Tracy-Northeast Region  
Sue Tomaszewski-Member at large

Not in attendance:

Sandy Gates – Mountain States Region  
Shana O’Boyle – Southeast Region  
Kim Olver – Member at large

1. Establish a Quorum: (12 voting members, quorum requires 7 to be present)
2. Approve Minutes (**Action Item**):
  - a. June 2020 Meeting: Jim moved and Cesar seconded to approve the June 2020 minutes. Steve and Sue abstained and the motion passed.
3. Old Business:
  - a. Faculty Retreat Updates: We are all set with about 20 registrants and \$1325 in donations. Emails have been sent about registration, Zoom information, and schedules.
  - b. Strategic Plan Board Discussion (**Action Item: subcommittee chairs**)

- Products/Services: Sharon, Sue
- Marketing: John (chair), Steve
- Finance: Jan (chair), Cesar
- Research: Lois
- Bylaws: Jim, Sharon, Les, Lois, Cesar

Sandy, Marty, Kim, and Shana are absent.

- c. Online Basic Training update (**Possible Action**)  
This topic will be moved to the end of the meeting because Les would rather not participate in this discussion.
- d. Board term expirations: We are all caught up in terms of current board members. We are now thinking about expiring terms at the end of 2020. Sunbelt, Southeast, and Midwest positions will expire at the end of 2020. Shana is eligible for one more term. Lois will send an email to Shana letting her know this. Letters will go out on Monday because Shruti did not want to bombard people with emails. This will be back on the agenda for the next time.
- e. PPM Policy Changes / Procedures / Discussion (**Possible Action**)

Suggested changes:

-Section A1: Change Glasser Institute for Choice Theory to Glasser Institute for Choice Theory-US and GIFCT to GIFCT-US

-Section A2: Change our mission to: To promote the application and growth of Choice Theory.

-Section B1: 1. Change purpose and objectives

-Change annual meeting in bylaws?

-Do our bylaws say anything about voting via email?

This task was given to a sub-committee and who will work on revision and bring them back to the board.

- f. Online Counseling Directory (**Possible Action**)  
An email went out a few days ago. Submissions have been coming in. We are saying this is a directory; not necessarily people we approve of. You have to be a dues paying member and a licensed therapist in order to be listed.
  - g. Annual Meeting: We don't have one scheduled for this year. We usually attach it to a conference or faculty retreat but we didn't have an in-person conference this year. The board talked about having it October as a part of our board meeting. So we would have our board meeting from 4pm Eastern-5pm Eastern and then have the general meeting from 5pm-6pm Eastern.
  - h. Regional Websites Discussion/Updates: Jan would like to know what the regions want. We would put regional news on the national website too. Anything regional specific is board information. Do we need another page for regions for that? This will be discussed during the marketing committee meetings.
4. New Business:
- a. ED Update: Brian Patterson was interviewed by the Executive Committee. The board talked about how there is nothing in the Bylaws about hiring an Executive Director. There is a protocol for board members, but not for the ED. Lois, Steve, and Les will work on this in the next few days.

b. Training Policy Discussion (Possible Action):

5. Ongoing:

- a. WGI Updates (Nancy, Shruti, Janet): The MO meeting occurred last month. Some board members attended it.
- b. Treasurer's Report: Jan sent it to us via email. There are no more cuts to be made. Jan would like to think about fundraising again.

There was some discussion about paying dues and renewals. A suggestion was to invite Denise to a meeting so that she can explain what she can and can't do. Jan said she can explain that. Lois suggested making it a discussion item for the next meeting. How do we stay connected with the people we have introduced ourselves to?

6. Action steps from prior meeting(s)

- a. Jan / Lois will talk to Denise to draw up guidelines and the fee structure for Regional websites connected to the GIFCT-US website-ongoing. Marketing committee will talk about this.
- b. Agenda will be distributed one week prior to next meeting-done
- c. Shruti and John to establish and inform the presenters for the retreat and distribute a detailed agenda by June 26, 2020.-done
- d. Every Board member to review the Committee documents and decide if they want to chair a committee or just be a member. We would like every Board member to at least be a member of one sub committee. -Done
- e. Lois to inform Steve and Sue about their new Board positions. Shruti to add them to the GIFCT-US email distribution list and the WhatsApp distribution list.
- f. Shruti to Work with Denise to send letters out to the Midwest, the Southeast and the Sunbelt region. Board member positions expire December of 2020.
- g. Lois to inform everyone in the next newsletter where to find our Agenda and meeting minutes.
- h. Shruti to send out a doodle for a 3-hour meeting, to current board members, to discuss the issues around setting up certification and endorsement trainings and our ability to receive the information to do so.
- i. Kim and Denise to discuss NBCC credentialing and inform Jan. Jan has not heard back about this.

7. Action steps from current meeting:

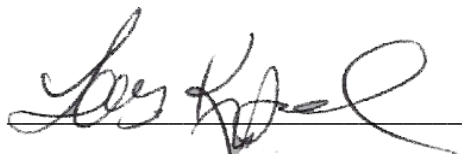
- a. Shruti will send out letters to the regions that we will have open positions for.
- b. Jan and Denise to talk about NBCC credentialing.
- c. Jan will send a list of members to the board.

8. Next Meeting: August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 4pm Eastern/3pm Central/2pm Mountain/1pm Pacific

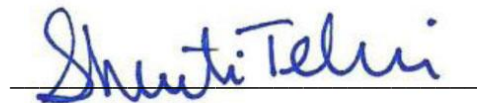
9. Parking Lot/Future Ideas:

10. Motion to Adjourn

Submitted by Shruti Tekwani, Interim Executive Director  
Glasser Institute for Choice Theory-U.S.



Lois Knapton, Chair  
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