



AAGT BOARD MEETING

26 August 2012

<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>	Gail Feinstein, Patricia Tucker, Rodney Cole, Joseph De Paulo, Ansel Woldt, Nancy Woldt, Deidre Winter, Burt Lazarin, Marlene Blumenthal, Anna Bacik, Dina Miller, Maryanne Nicholson, Adam Kincel, Dominique Chabre
<b>APOLOGIES:</b>	Cathy Gray, Bud Feder, Brad Larsen, Brian Mistler, Charlie Bowman, Alex Schlotterbeck,
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	Gail Feinstein and Patricia Tucker ( due to call failure)
<b>MINUTED BY:</b>	Rodney Cole

SUBJECT	ISSUE/DISCUSSION POINT	Decision Made	Action Point	Completion Date
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**REVIEW ITEMS**

<p><b>1. Treasures Report</b></p>	<p>BL submitted finance report  in our checking account: \$14,680.54  in our money market account: \$22,505.20 total \$37,185.74  of which is in Regional Development Fund: \$883.76  of which is in Research Fund: \$150.00  of which is in Scholarship Fund: \$2,823.15  of which is holding for AAGTNE: \$479.32  leaving unencumbered: \$32,849.83  Total General AAGT Account: \$32,849.83  Total in PayPal Account: \$15,359.88  In our PayPal account, Janneke estimates that probably \$9,735 is money owed the AAGT 2012 conference leaving AAGT with \$5,624.88.  The AAGT 2012 conference repaid the organization this past month \$18,214.40 (\$12,400 for the first convention center payment and \$5,814.40 for Brad's work in 2011 and this year attributable to the conference).  General AAGT Account Unencumbered: \$32,849.83  PayPal AAGT Account: \$5,624.88  Grand Total \$38,474.71  To date this year, AAGT has spent \$11,130.52 and has taken in \$33,210.10.  The largest expenditures have been \$2,707.50 for administration and \$2,504.13 for PayPal fees.</p>		<p>BL to advise at next board call on liability insurance</p>	
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	<p>The largest revenue items have been individual membership dues, \$5,900, and organizational membership dues, \$550. The PayPal money is almost all dues but has yet to be differentiated.</p> <p>BL to advise on liability insurance at next board meeting</p>			
<b>2. 2014 Conference Update</b>	<p>MB advised that conference planning was continuing with PC &amp; DR as co-convenors and raised the issue as to whether this should be made explicit. GF advised that she had been speaking with RC &amp; AB who had expressed that; they wished to move on and for the board to make a decision to move forward with the proposed conference and the new co-convening arrangements. AB advised that, whilst she would not support PC &amp; DR co convening the conference, she would not get in the way of them doing so, and would handle any conflict of interest in future decision making processes, vis_a vis the conference through abstention.</p> <p>Conference dates 3 – 7 September 2014. PC and DR to join board calls from next month to report on progress.</p> <p>BL, DM &amp; DW acknowledged they were prepared to support new convening arrangements but not the process by which it occurred.</p>		PC & DR to be added to board call list	
<b>3. Membership</b>	<p>NW reported that membership committee have worked on documenting membership recommendations for future conferences. NW asked board to support membership committee making contact with 2014 conference committee to work with them in ensuring membership is a focus of the conference.</p>	<b>Board supports Membership Committee making contact with conference committee</b>	NW & MN to make contact with conference committee.	
<b>4. RCP</b>	<p>AK reported that preparation for Mexico Conference (18-21 July 2013) is going well with financial support from AAGT which will be reimbursed. AK asked for clarification around Scholarship Fund and whether Mexico conference organisers can access money from scholarship fund to boost conference attendance. Monies would be returned from any surplus from conference. Board did not support the allocation of funds from the existing scholarship fund to scholarships for regional conferences. MB pointed out that members currently make donations to the fund to support attendance at the biannual conference and to use existing funds for purposes other</p>	<p><b>Board agreed that no money to be lent from scholarship fund to a regional conference.</b></p> <p><b>Board willing to agree to RDF being funded to provide capacity grants</b></p>		

	<p>than what it was donated for, would not ethical.</p> <p>AB suggested that consideration is given to replacing the current loans allocated to RCP's to support regular regional conferences with a 'capacity building grants' type program. The grant could be rolled over, rather than returned with any donations given by organisers, and be used for the next conference. AB also raised that for this to occur appropriate processes would have to be in place to ensure accountability.</p>			
<b>5. RDF</b>	DW approached Dan Bloom, Anne Leibig, Kerry Shipman and Adam K to establish RDF fund and decide how the RDF fund is to be administered.			
<b>6. AAGT Admin Role</b>	AAGT admin role position description and responsibilities to be advertised on members list and at Brad Larsen's university.			
<b>7. North Carolina Letter</b>	JDP & DC are due to meet and review feedback from membership on proposed letter to NC. Not ready to give board full update. MB asked about the notion of "the board letter" JDP looking for membership comments.			
<b>8. Research Fund</b>	GF approached Joe Melnick to head RF, but declined. We are currently looking for a liaison to report to the board for fund.			
<b>9. Mexico Conference</b>	DC provided update on Guadalajara conference – calls for workshop proposals has been announced.			
<b>10. Jon Blend</b>	AAGT to send flowers and card to UK Member Jon Blend, following recovery from medical treatment		GF to arrange	
<b>11. AAGT 2012 Community meeting minutes</b>	RC asked board for clarification regarding minuting community meetings at 2012 conference. Some members at conference asked whether this was appropriate and whether minutes had been taken at previous conferences.	<b>Board supported minuting community meetings</b>	RC to liaise with AW re previous conference community meeting minutes	
<b>12. Other business</b>	DW raised and acknowledged AB resigning from ethics committee as co-chair. AB thanked and acknowledged DW.			
<b>Meeting closed: 5.30 pm. Next Board Meeting 4pm, 30 September 2012</b>				

