



AAGT BOARD MEETING

1 May 2011

ATTENDANCE:	Cathy Gray, Dan Bloom, Anna Bacik, , Nancy Woldt, Ansel Woldt, Pablo Allen, Judy Graham, Marlene Blumenthal, Peter Cole, Rodney Cole, Brad Larsen, Charlie Bowman, Gail Feinstein, Burt Lazarin, Deidre Winter, Judy Graham
APOLOGIES:	Guadalupe Amescua, Joseph De Paulo, Bud Feder, Maryanne Nicholson
CHAIRPERSON:	Cathy Gray
MINUTED BY:	Rodney Cole

SUBJECT	ISSUE/DISCUSSION POINT	DECISION MADE	ACTION POINT	COMPLETION DATE
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REVIEW ITEMS

<p>1. Treasures Report</p>	<p>BL reported current financial state</p> <p>Currently</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">in our bank account: \$13,063.77</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">in our paypal account: <u>\$444.10</u></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">\$13,507.87</p> <p>of which is in scholarship fund: \$5,092.85</p> <p>of which are in uncashed checks: <u>\$1,375.00</u></p> <p>leaving unencumbered: \$7,040.02</p> <p>Total General AAGT Account: \$7,040.02</p> <p>In the last month our expenses have been:</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">APA & NBCC: \$665.00</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Skype: \$13.79</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Website Hosting: \$50.00</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Website design: \$375.00</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">administration: \$455.35</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">PayPal Fees: \$45.06</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">loan to AAGT 2012: \$1,000.00</p>			
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	<p>Note: AAGT 2012 expenditures to date (with expectation that the total is reimbursable): \$15,455.23</p> <p>In the last month our revenues have been: Individual Dues: \$200.00 General: \$200.00 This revenue is attributable to PayPal transactions.</p> <p>BL reported that all expenses paid in past month have been regular expenses except for CU payments and loan to conference committee to set up local bank account. BL reported that no membership fees have been submitted, and reminded board we have not promoted membership renewal BL asking for a letter to be sent actively promoting members to pay. BL reminded board that PC did a great job in negotiating with PayPal resulting in AAGT securing a NFP fee for account costs. However the current PayPal account does not reflect reduced fees. PC to work with BL on this to ensure we see the reduced cost coming through.</p>		<p>PC & BL to contact PayPal and discuss further</p>	
<p>2. Membership</p>	<p>CG, BL, and NW discussed president's letter to members who haven't paid their dues. NW enquired asked about new members or new attendees to 2012 conference. Question asked by NW about a new event at conference to support new members at Pueblo? MB talked from CPC point of view and reviewed events that occurred in Philadelphia. MB advised board that Marilyn Myles has shown interest in coordinating event, and that Marilyn and NW should discuss ideas. RC suggested more than one event is required, more time required in schedule. DB & CB both suggested a hospitality room or desk that is open throughout the conference to new members. CG asked MB to go ahead to talk with Marilyn Myles.</p>		<p>Letter to go out from president</p> <p>MN & NW to talk with M Myles</p> <p>MB to talk with M Myles about Induction at Conference</p>	

	<p>NW has produced a new member letter that will go to B Larsen to send out to new members.</p> <p>CG discussed new members versus old members whose membership has/had lapsed and came back. These will be considered as renewed members, not new members, which has been a reduced rate.</p> <p>Board agreed with CG direction and B Larsen asked about 2 yr membership rate for people signing up at conferences.</p>			
3. AGM	<p>GF outlined plans for AGM. Date is June 5, following NE region conference on couples work. 3 of NY gestalt centres are involved. Agenda has been set by membership. GF working on budget that will need approval from board. Time of event is 9.30am-6pm. Catering for breakfast and lunch will be required, and due to 20 year anniversary a cocktail party afterwards to celebrate.</p> <p>Cost for venue is being paid for by North West Region. Food costs, based on 20 people attending which GF estimates at \$500 – BL suggesting \$1000. Board approved</p> <p>CG passed on a message to board from BF about charging for attendance at AGM, which the board did not support</p> <p>GF asked board members about attendance at event.</p> <p>B Larsen will take minutes at AGM as RC cannot attend.</p>	Board approved cost of catering for event.		
4. 2012 Conference	<p>PA & MB outlined registration process agreement for conference. Members in good standing can registration from June 15. Non members and New members will be able to register 4 weeks later July 15. Conference board feel this is the best way to support long term AAGT members.</p> <p>30-40 scholarships spaces held, as will spaces for presenters as well (approx 100). Capacity is for 800 registrations. No spaces will be held for CPC and Board Members.</p> <p>NW asked about members in good standing and June 15 – 2009</p>			

	<p>forward. B Larsen will send an email to those people only letting them know.</p> <p>BL suggested dues letter should highlight the June 15 to promote payment.</p> <p>MB Student and Senior Citizens will be offered discount and no cancellation fee. There will be a no refund 14 days prior to conference.</p> <p>Registration form will also list guest charges for those wanting to attend events such as opening cocktail night.</p> <p>Conference registration fee will go up in increments.</p> <p>Question emerged about whether those benefiting from scholarship funds and students on reduced rate should be expected to work at conference. CB suggested yes especially help with translation and supporting presenters in room setup etc.</p> <p>DB – the scholarship fund and recipients are supposed to be confidential list of people, opposed to this. They should not feel like they have to.</p> <p>JG - A large conference and we require as many volunteers as possible.</p> <p>MB advised 5 May deadline for pre conference workshop proposals.</p> <p>GF – as of today, 5 proposals have been received</p> <p>PA is working on housing in Puebla</p>			
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<p>5. Communication</p>	<p>CB raised concerns about lack of readership of newsletter versus number of people on list serve (G List) and need to perhaps consider alternatives. AB raised possibility of having a facebook page for 2012 conference.</p>		<p>B Larsen to look into set up of fbook page</p>	
<p>Next meeting: 29 May (30 May Australia)</p>				