



AAGT BOARD MEETING

25 August 2013

<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>	Gail Feinstein, Rodney Cole, Ansel Woldt, Nancy Woldt, Dominique Chabre, Dina Miller, Michael Sasiain, Cathy Gray, Meghann Case , Anna Bacik, Burt Lazarin, Patricia Tucker, Marlene Blumenthal
<b>APOLOGIES:</b>	Alex Schlotterbeck, Maryanne Nicholls, Brad Larsen, Bud Feder, Peter Cole, Deirdre Winter, Adam Kincel
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	Gail Feinstein
<b>MINUTED BY:</b>	Rodney Cole

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

<b>1. Research</b>	MC discussed with board ideas about vision & goals for research fund. BL clear he does not want the fund to financial support individual research projects. CG suggested narrowing our focus and perhaps looking at one aspect of supporting research such as research findings are publicised given our limited funds. GF suggested MC initially focus on communicating to members about her role and the research fund. MC not clear about how people apply and process of deciding who is granted funds. DM suggested the fund could be used to help link and support those who are researching. AB reiterated her idea that the fund support of new ideas, rather than existing research projects. MC also considering reviewing idea of gestalt research journal and hiring an editor. DM requested we consult the membership given the funds have come from membership to ascertain membership interest. NW asked if MC has other committee members supporting her.		MC to use members newsletter to publicise fund	
<b>2. Treasures report</b>	BL submitted treasurers report. in our general checking account: \$11,603.51 in the scholarship fund account: \$17,655.54			

	<p>in our money market account:           <u>\$24,074.03</u>  total   \$53,333.08</p> <p>Included in our checking account is  Regional Development Fund: \$2,107.70  Research Fund:                   \$1,738.47  holding for AAGTNE:           <u>\$479.32</u></p> <p>leaving unencumbered:                   <b>\$31,352.56</b></p> <p>To date in 2013 we have spent \$12,231 and have taken in \$14,744. Most of the revenue is membership dues (\$11,315 individual and \$1,950 organizational) and this is not evenly distributed throughout the year.  Our largest expenditures to date have been for administration (\$5,014), memberclicks/moolah (\$2,275), the AGM (\$1,920) and accounting (\$1,090). BL pointed out that admin budget will need to be reassessed.</p>			
<p>3. 2014 Conference Report</p>	<p>DM ón behalf of PC advised board closing date for proposals is coming up, following social media campaign and contact with training institutes. Plenary panel chosen to present on conference theme. PC, DR and others will visit conference venue 15/9/13 to further plan conference program. Membership committee are working on opening ceremony.</p>			
<p>4 Retreat</p>	<p>Board continued discussion on board retreat and timing of retreat. March/April 2014 discussed. GF concerned whether retreat should go ahead if not all board members can attend. Agenda for board retreat could include issues regarding internationality, regional conferences and our relationship with regions, future vision for AAGT, membership issues. BL reminded board that we do have to make a decision by end of year about board retreat in terms of date.</p>			

<p><b>3. Board Matters</b></p>	<p>The Board discussed possible responses to a recent contact made by a dissatisfied person to an individual Board member. This was their first attempt to communicate after not having heard from since their rejection of the Board's outreach and the issues around process and decision making in organising 2012 Puebla conference. The consensus of the Board was that in the last three plus years much energy has been focused on talking with dissatisfied person to no result. Members of the Board have concluded that further contact holds little potential for anything constructive and decided not to pursue additional outreach to this person.</p>			
<p><b>Next AAGT Board Meeting 29 September 2013</b></p>				