



AAGT BOARD MEETING

February 2014 Board Meeting, Held Sunday 2 March 2014

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

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

1. Amendment for International Task Force	<p>Anne Leibig joined board call to discuss amendment. Everyone worked together on addition to bylaws. Additional last sentence regarding board making decision if membership cannot to be added. Anne feels it is ready to be submitted and presented to the membership to agenda at next AGM.</p> <p>DM raised issue of what should happen if we have 2 proposals and one venue in the future.</p>		Anne Leibig to send board updated document for review.	
2. Treasurers Report	<p>Burt L updated board, registrations for conference have commenced. Currently conference fund and general fund intermingled. Burt L informed board that as of 10/2/14 scholarship fund holds \$19,877 and regional fund \$3400</p>			
3. Board Retreat	<p>GF informed board that estimated budget for retreat is from \$5000 to \$7000. Burt L advised the funding is allocated from budgeted amount in 2013/14. Board support allocation. Burt L reminded board this funding is for all activities relating to the board, not just board retreat.</p> <p>Budget will cover board members accommodation (2 night stay) and food costs for board members. In addition AAGT will cover any other costs such as meeting rooms hire.</p>	Burt L will support individual retreat costs in principal max 75% any above board must discuss further.		

	<p>Burt L raised concerns about using all the funds on one event suggesting AAGT cover only 75% of the retreat costs (in relation to accommodation/food costs)</p> <p>There was both support and concern for using money for the retreat.</p> <p>Board discussed the issue of several board members not being able to attend the retreat and how the absence will be managed and whether technology such as Skype could be used for those not attending to participate.</p>			
<p>4. Scholarship Fund Guidelines</p>	<p>BF outlined criteria for applying and granting of funds from scholarship fund. Criteria are in no particular order and with no specific or individual weighting;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1/Financial need 2/Ethnic Diversity 3/Geographic diversity 4/Student/trainee status 5/ Conference presenter 6/ AAGT member 7/ Active contributor to AAGT 8/Travel expenses for particular applicant 9/First time applicant <p>BF also reported with 3 weeks of round one of scholarship funding to go, the committee has received requests for \$32,000 already. March 15 is the deadline for round one applications. Burt L reminded board that scholarship fund has been expanded to cover other events such as regional events, AGM's etc so it may be wise to leave some money in the account rather than distribute all of it.</p>			

5. Reservations at Asilomar	AW to send to board members recommendations for communication to members regarding Asilomar cancellation policy.			
6. Donations of \$500 or more to scholarship fund.	Not covered due to lack of time	To be discussed on line		
7. Populating online directory	Not covered due to lack of time			
Meeting closed: 5.30 pm. Next Board Meeting Sunday April 6 2014				