

JUVENILE COURT ASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
September 13, 2013
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The following board members and court representatives were in attendance:

Hyacinth Douglas-President	Indya Grier-Clayton
Harold Cannon – President Elect	Luzvimenda Donaldson – Gwinnett
Carlotta Cloud- Treasurer	Hochi Lumpkin - Dougherty
Daniell Robinson – DeKalb	Gwen Bailey- Fulton
Tameka Freeman-Gwinnett	
Kendra Stevens- Clayton	

The meeting was called to order by Hyacinth Douglas at 12:15pm at the Bibb County Juvenile Court.

Tameka Freeman motioned to accept the minutes for August 2013 and Gwen Bailey second that motion.

TREASURY REPORT

The treasury report was reported by Carlotta Cloud. It was reported that the current balance is \$5,351.77. A motion was made by Gwen Bailey to accept the treasury report and seconded by Harold Cannon. Motion passed.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Harold Cannon reported for Jessica Towns (committee member) that she is working on a holiday membership drive. Jessica is working on a location for the membership drive. Harold informed members that Jessica would like for JCAG to sponsor the membership drive by using funds from the treasury. She would also like for JCAG to buy the tickets to use in order to sell for the membership drive.

Questions were asked in reference to the information Harold provided.

Who is sponsoring the event?

Answer: The committee members discussed that due to current balance in the treasury account it is not feasible to sponsor the membership drive. The committee informed Harold that the membership committee would have to come up with alternatives. They would need to have a plan by next month's meeting or it would have to be tabled. Committee members stated that maybe Jessica could look into partnering with a particular establishment where some of the proceeds would go into the membership drive. Establishments such as Applebee's or O'Charleys where we could get 10% of the proceeds from each meal purchased.

Harold asked, as Fulton County representative if membership could be prorated verses paying the full \$25.00 fee since the year is almost out. Menda stated that this should be tabled until it is further discussed by the officer.

NOTE: The committee needs to figure out what way to present the ticket sales to get the word out to potential members.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Tameka Freeman informed the board that the new changes in the Juvenile Code will go into effect January 1, 2014. She suggested that all of the changes coming in January can overlap with training.

The question would be if we want to wait until the clean up bill or while it is in place to conduct the training. Maybe we can bring someone to the conference to explain the bill or do training in November.

Hyacinth Douglas stated that she have someone from the Barton Institute that is willing to provide an overview bill 242 (CHINS & Delinquency).

Hyacinth and Menda will get together sometime during the month to discuss what the November training would look like.

VENDORS

Gwen submitted a report with updates. Gwen informed the committee that a save the date would be sent to current vendors. If there are any vendors that other courts want to add to the list for an invite to participate at the conference or to sponsor a night of hospitality, please get that information to Gwen Bailey no later than the November meeting.

Check on vendors from previous years 2007 or 2008. Use fees for hospitality.

SCHOLARSHIP

Gwen Bailey reported for John Johnson. John has sent donations letters for the scholarship. The next batch of letters will go out after Christmas. John will be checking on getting a laptop for scholarship recipient.

NOMINATIONS/ELECTIONS

This has been tabled for March 2014.

BY-LAWS

Tameka stated that the committee is looking into revising them and making sure we are doing our own checks and balances.

It was suggested that a copy of the By-Laws be placed in the conference booklet or paperwork received during the conference.

FUNDRAISING

Gwen Bailey informed the committee that we had a conference book during the conference in Jekyll Island Club (2008) and vendors were allowed to place ads in the book. This should be one of the ways to raise money this year. In order to do this we need someone to price what a book would cost to print.

Gwen provided documents for Krispy Kreme and Chili's as fundraising ideas.

WEBSITE

Gwen Bailey stated that the website needs to be updated regularly. Send Bonnie Applewhite pictures to upload them to the website. Get vendor information placed on the website.

Carlotta Cloud will be the back up to the back up with the website. Harold Cannon needs to get the password to the website as a back up for the organization.

NOTE: The pictures need to be updated/uploaded no later than Wednesday, September 18, 2013.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

It was discussed to have a list of conference site by November 2013 meeting.

EDUCATION/TRAINING

Start planning for training November 21, 2013 in DeKalb County.

CONFERENCE

Gwen reported that John Johnson will co-chair this committee with Harold Cannon. The committee has sent out request for proposals to Lake Blakshear (Cordele, GA), Calloway Gardens (Pine Mountain, GA), Sea Palms Resort (St. Simon's, GA), Ocean Plaza Beach Resort (Tybee Island), and Jekyll Island Club (Jekyll Island, GA). Once written proposals have been received, site visits will be set up. A vote for a site and date for conference should be taken at the November meeting. Save the dates needs to be provided no later November meeting. A package that takes care of food and breakout session needs to be provided as well.

Harold wanted to know are we seeking national trainers. What are our options?
Gwen stated that we need to first figure out where we are going to have the conference and look at compensating a lot of things.

NOTE: Narrow down locations of conference at next meeting. Suggested conference date is maybe the end of May (28-30), 2014. For next years conference we need to challenge ourselves to provide a great conference.

OLD BUSINESS

N/A

NEW BUSINESS

Program booklet- starts working on that ASAP. Look into who we have used in the past. Hyacinth stated that she would check on pricing. Have every member try to generate sells for ads. The selling of ads could help in determining the payment for the speakers. Finalize this by October meeting: Price of the booklet and giveaways for the membership.

Questions presented:

How much are we willing to pay for ads?

How much are we willing to pay speakers?

Should the membership fees be increased? (Tabled until next meeting)

ADJOURN

Hyacinth adjourned meeting at 1:28 PM second by Gwen. Next meeting will be October 11, 2013 in Hall County.