

GACTE Meeting of the Assembly of Members

Minutes of June 15, 2022

Call to Order

The meeting of the Assembly of Members was held on Wednesday, June 15, 2022, at 3:45 pm. at the Jekyll Island Convention Center in Jekyll Island, Georgia. President Bethany Gilliam called the meeting to order with Secretary Debra Lary recording the minutes and Norman Gay serving as the Parliamentarian.

Motion to Approve the Agenda

The agenda was made available on the website and was projected on the conference room screen during the meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Matthew White and was seconded by Cheryl Deas. The motion carries.

ACTE Update

ACTE President Brian Law welcomed members to the Annual Business meeting. He gave a short recap of ACTE events and encouraged everyone to represent Georgia by attending the upcoming ACTE Visions Conference November 30, 2022, through December 3, 2022, in Las Vegas, Nevada. He reminded us of the importance of membership and staying involved with the organization.

Minutes

The minutes from the July 14, 2021 Members Business Meeting were presented by Secretary Debra Lary. The minutes were made available on the website and projected on the conference room screen for members to view. A motion was made by Alex Baker to approve the minutes as presented and was seconded by Paul Harwart. The motion carries.

Treasurer Report

Treasurer Scott Quinlan reviewed the Balance Sheet with the members. The treasurer's report was projected on the conference room screen for members to view. The organization is fiscally sound, and the report has been filed for audit.

Year in Review

Executive Director Jody Reeves reviewed the year's activities with the membership. Jody attended the ACTE Region II Conference in Tennessee and the ACTE Visions Conference in New Orleans this year to share what we are doing in Georgia. The Quality Association Award was given to GACTE again this year. GACTE was recognized for having the most new member gain. A total of over \$2,000 was raised at the inaugural GACTE Conference 5K Run. The strategic plan is being updated. Feedback is being taken and will be used to create an action plan. The LEAD CTAE Class and CTSO students visited the Capital in person this year for legislative advocacy.

Legislative Update

George Ray from the lobbying firm of Nelson, Mullins, Riley and Scarborough gave a report to members on several key legislative issues. Some of the major items discussed were HB 1303 which is a bill created to expand ag education to the elementary levels, and SB 379 which was created to expand registered apprenticeship programs. Work is still being done to continue extended day funding.

Committee Reports

Copies of committee reports were made available on the LiveBinder and displayed on conference room screens for members to review.

Awards Committee

Dustin Davis, awards chair, reviewed the awards report. He reminded members of the awards nomination process. This year's winners will represent Georgia at the ACTE Region II Conference next fall. The committee honored 49 educators in seven different award categories. Awards nominations were received for all thirteen affiliates.

Budget Committee

President-elect and budget chairperson, Matthew White, reported that the FY21 budget approved last summer has been monitored. All expenditures stayed within the budget.

Bylaws Committee

By-laws committee chairperson Debra Lary reviewed two proposed by-laws changes for FY21. Proposed by-law changes were posted on the GACTE web site 30 days prior to voting as specified in article 14 of the by-laws. Proposed by-laws changes were also shown on the projector screens for members to review. Proposed changes were voted on by the membership and all were approved. Updated by-laws will be posted on the GACTE website following the GACTE Conference.

Legislation Committee

Helen Malone reported that the legislative committee conducted a legislative forum in the fall to collect a list of priorities from the GACTE membership. As a result of the forum, four priority focal points were identified, one of which was to restore the CTAE budget back to FY20 amounts. Each priority was posted on the GACTE web site for members to review. Signs were posted during the GACTE Conference with a QR code for members to scan to give feedback related to what can be done to reduce employer risk for employers participating in WBL. Members giving feedback have a chance to win prizes. The committee encouraged members to write letters to their local legislators and invite them to visit our CTAE programs.

Membership Committee

Matthew White gave the membership committee report. Kim Orrick maintains a membership dashboard that tracks membership numbers for GACTE. Membership renewal reminders were sent this year to

improve membership retention. This year's membership goal was to increase membership by 5%. That goal was surpassed, and membership increased by 10.2% with 360 new memberships. Eight out of the thirteen divisions achieved the 5% goal or higher.

Nominating Committee

Alex Baker gave the nominating committee report. Nominations opened for President-Elect January 2022 and closed April 30, 2022. There were three nominees, Djamala Goodwin, Cindy Quinlan and Dr. Cassandra Miller-Washington. Voting for these positions ends tomorrow, June 16, 2022. Elections will be facilitated and verified by ACTE. Members can find out how to get involved in leadership positions by contacting any member of the GACTE Board.

Public Relations Committee

Sonia Coile, public relations chairperson, discussed the main objectives of the PR Committee for FY21. The committee wants to feature members from each division to highlight innovative classroom practices. Sonia encouraged members to use #CTAEdelivers and to follow GACTE on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Region II

GACTE's Region II representative Dustin Davis reviewed Region II activities. Beth Parks of Oconee County will be the new Region II Vice-President beginning July 1, 2022. She will begin a three-year term. National ACTE president Brian Law's term as ACTE President concludes June 30, 2022, then he will serve as ACTE Past-President. The ACTE Visions Conference will be in Las Vegas, Nevada from November 30, 2022, through December 3, 2022. All are encouraged to attend.

The committee reports were accepted and approved by the Assembly of Members with all members in favor. Bethany announced the new President-Elect, Matthew White. Installation of officers was conducted by GACTE Past-President Alex Baker.

Adjournment

President Matthew White adjourned the meeting at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Debra Lary, Secretary.