Appendix A

ATHE GOVERNING COUNCIL GO-TO-MEETING MEETING
Monday, June 16, 2014

Called to order by Henry Bial at 12:07 PM CDT
Attendance/Participation: Henry Bial, President; Bill Doan, Immediate Past President; Patricia Ybarra, President-Elect, Chair, Strategic Planning; Terry Brino-Dean, Secretary; Nina LeNoir, Treasurer; Sonja Kuftinec, VP for 2014 Conference; Kathryn Ervin, VP, Advocacy; Dani Snyder-Young, VP Awards; David Kaye, VP, Membership & Marketing; Jim Peck, VP, Professional Development; Bob Schanke, VP Research & Publications; Trish Gibson Ralph, Member-at-Large, Finance; Barbara Parisi, Member-at-Large, Operations; Chase Waites, Member-at-Large, Outreach; Nancy Erickson, Executive Director; Shaun Franklin-Sewell, Communications Manager.

Absent: Lionel Walsh, VP-Elect for 2015 Conference; Alicia Tafoya, Member-at-Large, FGRs; Harry Parker, KCACCTF Liaison, ex officio.

I. Consent Agenda
- Approval of Awards Committee proposals, submitted by Dani Snyder-Young:
  - Awards language changes and updates – subsequently removed from the Consent Agenda; see below.
  - Jane Chambers Award winner – Gina Young, FEMMES: A Tragedy

- Approval of Nominating Committee members, submitted by Henry Bial:
  - Noe Montez, Tufts University
  - Mary Jo Lodge, Lafayette College

Concern by several members was expressed that the language changes and updates had not been distributed prior to the meeting. This item was removed from the consent agenda.

Hearing no objections, the Consent Agenda was accepted as amended.

II. Action Items

Motion: To approve the minutes from the Governing Council Conference Go-To-Meeting on March 27, 2014 (submitted by Nancy Erickson).
Moved by Bob Schanke. Seconded by Barbara Parisi.
Approved unanimously.

Motion: To approve the Leadership Handbook proposal (submitted by Jim Peck)
Moved by Bob Schanke. Seconded by Barbara Parisi.
Discussion. Jim noted that if this is approved, there will be another motion to approve the Editorial Board for the handbook at the July GC meeting, with work to commence in August. Barbara Korner and Mark Heckler will serve as co-editors, commissioning authors and managing the entire process.
Nina asked about funding because it is not in the budget. Jim responded that $1000 could come from the Professional Development budget for this coming year and that would get them through the first year. Nancy asked if money could come from the strategic planning budget too. Patty suggested strategic planning could possibly dedicate $1000 as well. Henry clarified that the proposal for funds was set at the maximum and suggested that we could find the money over time and that it shouldn’t cost that much. The proposal was amended to include $2500 in year 1, with moneis from PDC and Strategic Planning line items in the current budget ($1500 and $1000 respectively). These changes were accepted as friendly amendments.

Approved unanimously.

**Motion:** To approved the posting of the draft Site Selection Policy (submitted by Chase Bringardner and the Committee on Conferences)

Moved by Nina LeNoir. Seconded by David Kaye.

**Discussion.** Henry clarified that we are not voting to approve the policy but to present it as a draft to the membership for comment and input before a vote at the annual conference.

Many concerns were expressed about various aspects of the language in the draft. Some felt the proposal was presented more forcefully, some questioned the use of vague or potentially misleading language.

Nina LeNoir withdrew the motion.

Henry asked for specific input for the proposal that he would send to Chase and request a revision from the committee before the draft is presented again for consideration.

**IV. 2014 Conference Update**

**A. Sonja Kuftinec:**

Invite FGRs to participate as leaders in the table talks at the Annual Membership Meeting.

Nancy Erickson gave registration updates: Hotel is at 88+% of block.

Registration numbers are ahead of 2008 and 2010 by 50 registrants but behind 2012 and 2013. Only two workshops are closed.

Sonja asked if Shaun can re-send out information on social media to market the conference.

**B. Meeting agendas**

1. **July 23 and 24 GC and GC/FGR meetings:**

   Henry asked the GC to consider anything that we see coming for agenda items from committees and focus groups. Any further information for agenda items should be sent to him.

   Nancy went over the schedule.

   David Kaye suggested that a formal proposal from Membership and Marketing for the restructuring of Organizational Memberships should be forthcoming as a discussion item.
2. Annual Membership meeting:
   Right now no business for member consideration. This is good because
   the timeframe for the meeting is tight.

V. Strategic Planning Updates – Patricia Ybarra
   A. Online Forum discussions – responses are coming in slowly. Patricia is working with
      Shaun on communications strategy.
   
   B. Strategic Planning Meetings that are ahead:
      1. Strategic Planning Committee meeting.
      2. Strategic Planning table talks – at the Annual Membership meeting –
         information will be used at afternoon Strategic Planning Open Forum
         meeting.

VI. FGR Elections update – Chase Waites, MAL, Outreach
   A. Nominations received by the June 1 cut-off, all for MAL, FGRs:
      Norman Bert
      Becky Prophet
      Kathleen McGeeever
   
   B. No nominations for Nominating Committee members or MAL, Finance.
      Barbara Parisi said that Alicia Tafoya is interested in running again for MAL,
      FGRs. Chase said that Alicia had contacted him about running for MAL,
      Finance.
      Barbara said that there is confusion about incumbents in terms of how to re-
      nominate themselves.
      Henry suggested asking the three candidates if they are interested in changing to
      MAL, Finance. Also to take up procedural challenges in the GC meeting,
      particularly about incumbents.
      Chase said that they will stick with the process as it already is and it could be
      changed in the future.
      There may be a need for nominations from the floor. Henry suggested that we
      want to make sure that those who nominate themselves will understand
      responsibilities and be willing to serve.

   C. Elections will be held during the FGR meeting on Wednesday, July 23.

VII. Directing Focus Group request – Henry Bial and Bob Schanke
   A. Proposal has been made for an online journal produced in collaboration with SDC.
   
   B. There are issues with logo use and financial considerations.
      The Directing Focus Group has discussed using a section of the SDC website for
      a journal primarily aimed at participants from the Directing FG and SDC
      members.
      Nancy walked through the issues at hand in regards to funding, focus group
      status, insurance, use of the ATHE logo, etc.
      The Directing FG is not separately incorporated so they can’t move forward
      unless there is support from ATHE.
This a larger issue again of ATHE’s governance structure and relationship with Focus Groups. Right now, 3 focus groups are incorporated. Bob Schanke suggested this is a larger Strategic Planning discussion that had been taken up at January meetings and that this could be an item for the Thursday GC/FGR meeting at the conference.

VIII. ASTR/ATHE Summer Institute Request
   A. Proposal would be for a scholarly forum.
   B. The Professional Development Committee and Research and Publication are the appropriate committees to work on the start up.
   C. Monetary and program support would be necessary.
      Henry was contacted by ASTR about this. They are asking us to be involved in creating this type of program together that could be funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities.
      Bob suggested that it is important and valuable for us to collaborate with ASTR on these types of initiatives.
      General consent for the PDC and R&P to pursue this further.

IX. Other Business

   **Motion:** To approve the Awards Committee proposal for awards language changes and updates. (submitted by Dani Snyder-Young)
   Moved by Dani Snyder-Young. Seconded by Barbara Parisi.
   Shaun was able to show meeting participants the specifics of the language electronically.
   Dani explained the changes; most are clarifications.
   Brief discussion.
   **Approved unanimously.**

   X. **Motion to Adjourn:** Moved by Bob Schanke. Seconded by Trish Gibson-Ralph.
   **Approved unanimously.**

Adjourned at 1:08 PM CDT