

GWTA Board of Directors Meeting
Sioux Falls, South Dakota
July 19, 2007

Members Present:

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| Chairman: Dave Willenborg | Region D: Dallas Craig |
| Founder Life: Ed Davis | Region E: Chuck Gibbs |
| Region A: Evelyn Carroll | Region F: Max Krueger |
| Region B: John Reynolds | Region H: Dennis Farnum |
| Region C: Dave Telford | Region J: Martin Scott |
| Legal Representative: Mike Johnston | Secretary: Barb Stuckey |
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8:05 PM Meeting called to order by Dave Willenborg, Chairman of the Board.

Opening prayer offered by Kim Davis.

Welcoming remarks made by Dave Willenborg, Chairman of the Board and an explanation made as to the proceedings of the Board.

Roll call taken by Barb Stuckey, Secretary.

8:10 PM Executive Session

9:45 PM Break

10:00 PM Reconvene in General Session.

Introductions of the Board of Directors Members and the Board Secretary made by Dave Willenborg, Chairman of the Board.

Bruce Keenon, Executive Director, gave a presentation on the State of the Association:

Bruce stated that he has recently renewed the lease on the home office space for the next five years. He stated that he got more space and actually decreased the monthly rent by \$20.00.

Mike and Carol Brush have started an Educational program.

Bruce is currently working on a Recruiting and Retention program. Bruce stated that 60% of the chapters have positive growth. Our losses in memberships have come mostly from unassigned members at large.

Bruce reported that his latest information is that we have had \$54,000.00 in Bike ticket sales.

Touring news – we no longer have Tara. Jen has been doing a great job on Touring News.

Camp Wing Tyme will be held in September in Renfro Valley, KY. When planning Gold Rush, the goal is to stay in the “center” of the U.S. and to alternate Camp Wing Tyme in the East and the West.

Gold Rush 2008 will be held in Billings, Montana. More than 400 rooms have already been booked at this Gold Rush.

Bruce stated that he is looking for a new Vendor Coordinator. Bruce also stated that there will be several staff changes in the next few months.

Bruce discussed the staff in the home office. Jennifer and Jen get approximately 100 emails per day and try to respond to these as quickly as possible. Jane focuses mostly on paperwork.

Motion made by John Reynolds to reappoint Bruce Keenon as Executive Director for another year. Seconded by Ed Davis. Passed unanimous.

Discussion by Chuck Gibbs of the proposal that he had presented. These are mostly housekeeping issues to get the Bylaws up to date with the minutes. He wishes to withdraw his proposal at this time.

Dave Willenborg, Chairman of the Board reviewed the procedure for changes to the Bylaws.

Mike Johnston, Legal Representative explained that our current copy of the Bylaws are not up-to-date and anything that is done until the Bylaws are updated would have to be re-visited and re-voted on.

Dave Telford wishes to withdraw his proposal for changes to the Bylaws until the Bylaws are updated.

John Reynolds reminded the Board that a committee has been formed to review the Bylaws and ensure that they are up-to-date. The bylaws will then be presented to the Board for approval.

Martin Scott presented a petition from Region J for potential changes to the Bylaws and/or the TA Way. John Reynolds questioned what the “problem” is that proposal is trying to address. Ed Davis feels that it would “open a can of worms” if the Board of Directors begins meddling into the Executive Directors staff.

Motion by Martin Scott that the petition be accepted as presented. Seconded by Max Kreuger.

The motion by Martin Scott, Region J Board member is as follows:

We, the Chapter Directors and members of region J, propose that the Chapter Directors would, by popular vote, elect a Regional Director. This vote could be held at a Chapter Directors meeting, by standard mail or by electronic means. The passing Regional Director or their staff would administer this election. This process would be repeated every two years, allowing a two year term for the Regional Director. The current Regional Director could also be re elected at the end of each term. I submit that the appropriate portions of the “Bylaws” and the “TA Way” and any other guidelines be revised to reflect the above proposal. This would allow the membership through the Chapter Directors to have a voice in the selection of the Regional Director who will, administer the everyday operational activities of their Region. The Regional Director would therefore be more responsive to the needs of the Region.

This motion would add an additional article to the Bylaws of GWTA

Motion failed.

11:15 PM Break

11:30 PM Reconvene in General Session.

Bruce Keenon discussed re-instituting the Blue Book. The Blue Book would cost \$15.00 each book. The Blue Line is our membership contact.

Max Kreuger presented petition from Region F related to Life members. It was discussed that this is an Operations matter that needs to be discussed with operations.

Ed Davis discussed the Chairman of the Board election process. Ed proposed that the election of the new Chairman of the Board happen at this meeting and the change to take place in January.

Dallas Craig proposed that the candidates declare their intentions at Gold Rush to run for the Chairman of the Board. The candidates would have 60 days to list their qualifications and the reasons they want to run. A Teleconference meeting could then be held approximately the 1st of November to elect the Chairman of the Board.

Motion made by Dallas Craig that candidates for the Chairman of the Board to be declared by November 1 to be sent by email listing the qualifications and reasons that candidate wished to become the Chairman of the Board. Election to be held on 1/3/2008 by current Chairman of the Board and the new Chairman would take over at that time. Seconded by John Reynolds. Seven in favor. Two opposed. Passed by majority.

Motion made by John Reynolds to open the nominations for Chairman of the Board. Seconded by Dennis Farnum. Passed unanimous.

Ed Davis – self nominate for Chairman of the Board
Dennis Farnum – self nominate for Chairman of the Board

Motion made by John Reynolds that nominations for Chairman of the Board be closed for tonight. Seconded by Dallas Craig. Passed unanimous.

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Motion made by Martin Scott that a job description be set for Board of Directors members. Motion withdrawn.

Dave Willenborg will write a job description for Board members and will present it to the Board of Directors for approval.

Mike Johnston will draft a form for a member to follow to submit a proposal to the Board of Directors.

Motion made by Dallas Craig for Board members to review the audit material and address any concerns to the Chairman of the Board by August 1. Seconded by Evelyn Carroll. Passed unanimous.

Comments:

Ed Davis – Productive meeting. Welcome to Martin and Judy Scott to the Board.

Dave Telford – Suggestion for the Board to get together during Gold Rush on Wednesday evening to spend time together.

Dallas Craig – Good meeting and good Gold Rush.

Martin Scott – Good meeting and appreciate all.

Dave Willenborg – Appreciation to the Board members and also to the audience for staying so late and for attending the Board meeting.

Motion made by Ed Davis to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Max Kreuger. Passed unanimous.

12:45 AM Meeting adjourned.

The above copy of the minutes from the GWTA Board of Directors meeting held in Sious Falls, South Dakota on July 19, 2007, are respectfully submitted. These minutes are a true and complete copy and I take full responsibility for any omissions and/or errors that may have been inadvertently made.

Barbara L. Stuckey
Recording Secretary