

TGEI Steering Committee Meeting Minutes October 1, 2009

Members Present

George Zukotynski
Danielle Barnes

Members Absent

Kandi Thomas
Jamie Kilpatrick
Jessie Neely
Thomas Dowdy
Brian Senecal

Members Present via Conference Line

Pam Busby
Lamont Price
Melinda Williams
Mac Purdy

Call to Order

Chairman George Zukotynski called the October 1, 2009 steering committee meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

Review of Minutes

The minutes from the August 6, 2009 meeting were approved with no changes. Pam Busby noted on the minutes from July 4, 2009 that she is not recorded as present or absent. Those minutes will be updated to reflect her attendance.

Old Business

1. Review of the Golf Tournament
There was a good turnout at the golf tournament. Commissioner Fyke and Deputy Governor Morgan represented the administration. Jessie Neely has baseball caps. Please contact him if you ordered one and have not received it. As for expenses, the registration costs covered most of the expenses, except for \$165.15 for shirts and prizes. George has a report detailing the expenses.
2. Update on an Alumni Activity with the Class of 2009
The 2008 class had tentatively planned to visit the class of 2009 at Montgomery Bell. Danielle reported on the activity with the 2009 and 2008 class at the Flying Saucer in September.
3. Transfer of TGI to Naifeh Center
Members of the steering committee and the TGMI steering committee meet with representatives from University of Tennessee to discuss the role of UT and the alumni

association. Topics from that meeting included bylaws, staff assistance, and the role of the alumni association going forward. There were no definitive answers and a follow up meeting was scheduled. That meeting did not occur and DOHR was scheduled to meet with UT. An update from that DOHR/UT has been requested.

4. Steering Committee Members

Nominations for steering committee members need to go out soon. Typically, ballots need to go out electronically and we need to give members time to respond. The goal is to have those officers announced at the holiday breakfast. Kandi Thomas is in charge of organizing the nomination process. Three members are expected to roll off the steering committee this year, Lamont Price, Jessie Neely, and Pam Busby.

5. Holiday Breakfast

The holiday breakfast is scheduled for December 15. Gene Naifeh will oversee the kitchen and the charitable contribution to St. Jude. There is still much planning to be done, such as the band, a save the date invitation, agenda and program. Thomas Dowdy is the lead for the breakfast. Danielle Barnes will look into issues of leave.

Other ideas were floated about charitable contributions. Melinda Williams presented the idea to collect one coat from each class and present that collection to the women's shelter. There was concern about the participation level in that donation. Lamont Price discussed collecting canned goods at the breakfast and doing a sorting party for the Second Harvest Food Bank. There was discussion on the extent of charitable contributions that could be done. Lamont, Melinda and Pam will follow up on the sorting party.

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for November 5, 2009 at 11:30 a.m. in the Andrew Jackson Building, 15th Floor Conference Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.