

1. **Call to Order and Quorum.** The meeting was called to order at 10:35am by the president, April Blum, and a quorum was established with the following members present: April Blum (president), Charlie Baum (vice president), Kim Gandy (secretary), Richard Aigen (treasurer), Liz Milner, Tim Livengood, Susan Stempfle, Jazsia Sawa, and Mary Cliff, past president, representing Marty Summerour. Absent were Janie Meneely, Steve Burnett, and Steve Winick. **Marty Summerour** has submitted her resignation from the board, and the board expressed great appreciation for her service. Susan will add a box to in the newsletter for a "thank you" to Marty, which April will write and send to Susan for the newsletter.
2. **Approval of Previous Minutes.** Minutes of the July meeting were electronically circulated in advance, and paper copies were made available at the meeting. The minutes were adopted without changes and without objection.
3. **Action Item Reports.**
  - a. No updates on pending items, except that board members being able to send email from FSGW (e.g. president@fsgw.org) is still in process.
  - b. Discussion about changing, effective next year, that the ALLBOARD list goes only to the new board as of July 1, instead of having overlap to Sept. 1. Reached no decision.
  - c. Board members are encouraged to follow FSGW on Twitter and retweet our content
4. **Old Business.**
  - a. **Discussion of Board duties.** Agreed that email blasts will be handled by Publicity.
  - b. **Current status of passwords and access.** Still trying to obtain password for Constant Contact email blasts. Agreed that we should set it up so that email blasts come from "[publicity@fsgw.org](mailto:publicity@fsgw.org)" and not from an individual.
  - c. **50th Anniversary of FSGW (50Fest).** Discussed various commemorative items, such as jackets and oval car decals (like OBX) that read FSGW. Liz has ordered 1000 FSGW decals. Liz is the board member on the 50Fest committee. The 50Fest committee chair provided a proposed budget to Richard. Their estimate is a total cost of \$26,000 for food, tips, cake, rentals, screen and projector, sound guy, alcohol purchase, transportation of founders, printing programs. Income est. is 225 people at \$35 each for approx.. \$8000 ticket income plus \$5000 from cash bar. Assuming the application of \$5000 from Everhart to the expenses, this leaves a projected loss of approx.. \$13,000. Income expectations seem high, as does the net loss FSGW would be expected to absorb. Also the cash bar estimate includes 4 drinks per person, which seems excessive. The Executive Committee will follow up.
5. **New Business.**

a. **Change in AllBoard Email Effective Each July 1** FSGW's By-Laws are deliberately non-specific regarding operating procedures. A previous Board required that retiring Board members be kept on the "alltheboard" email list for two months after leaving the Board. Discussed whether the board should direct the Webmaster that as of July 1 of each year, the email forwarding function shall be changed to show only the address of the incoming Officer, rather than overlapping until September 1. There was no final decision reached.

**b. Outreach – Storytelling**

i. John Sullivan, of the transitional housing charity *Hope and a Home*, contacted FSGW hoping to add storytelling for the children to their monthly meetings.

ii. Tim Livengood and Merrilee Pallansch performed as volunteers at the July 28 meeting, and it is hoped that FSGW storytellers will be booked to tell stories to the kids in the shelter at future monthly meetings.

iii. *Hope and a Home* has very limited funds, and what monies they do have are used for the urgent needs of their clients.

iv. Tim Livengood will volunteer his time but would like FSGW to support this very worthwhile cause by providing payment in the amount of Two Hundred Dollars per performance for a second storyteller, which will also help to increase diversity of the storytellers.

v. The Board commends Tim for moving this community-building activity forward.

vi. Resolution: Tim Livengood moved that FSGW allocate Two Hundred Dollars per month through March 2015, after which we will ask them to contribute a small amount, to reimburse storytellers who perform at the monthly meetings of Hope and a Home, including retroactive payment to Merrilee Pallansch. Seconded by Richard Aigen and passed without objection.

c. **Approval of Budget for 2014-5** The budget discussion will occur at the conclusion of this meeting, and Richard will circulate a final budget electronically. The Board can approve the budget electronically, with a follow-up resolution at the September meeting.

6. **Next Meeting.** The next regular Board meeting will be Monday, September 8, 2014 and Kim will request the meeting room. GEPPAC says that they have given a lobby key to someone affiliated with FSGW, but they have no record of who that is.

7. **Motion to adjourn.** Richard Aigen moved to adjourn and there were multiple seconds. Motion passed unanimously.