

AGA Board Meeting Minutes 2/11/2018

In Attendance:

Martin Lebl (chair)
Andrew Jackson
Steve Colburn
Andy Okun (president)
Gurujeet Khalsa
Lisa Scott
Edward Zhang
Chris Kirschner
Samantha Fede (secretary)

Meeting called to order at 8:03 EST.

Approve Minutes:

Chris moves to approve January 2018 meeting minutes, Lisa seconds, unanimous approval, January minutes approved.

President's Report:

6 items to discuss-

- 1) Competition between european and american pros. Have been trying to figure out funding for this. Have been discussing this with Hajin Lee, 7d (retired) who volunteers with EGF, may be able to work with Natalia [K?] EGF official. Questions? [None]
- 2) Board has received materials from bylaws revision committee. **ACTION ITEM: Board please review rules and documents for questions/comments.** Lisa/Chris's comments:

Lisa: We met for about 2-3 hours last week to discuss bylaws revision.

Chris: We identified items that needed review and made suggestions. One thing to discuss- adding more positions to the board. Changing board members at large to regional people instead.

Gurujeet: What's the rationale?

Lisa: It's hard for at large people to be in touch with everyone. And those are reps that most members get to elect.

Chris: The other thing I wanted to discuss was an official conflict of interest policy, following the form sample provided by the IRS. A problem is that it requires for organizations covered by it that everyone to indicate that they reviewed the COI policy and that it does or doesn't apply.

Andy: I can probably have someone give it a once over. We do have a policy already, and it is that we may have conflicts of interest.

Lisa: There is also language to clarify in the bylaws when board members take office, and to make sure we're in compliance with new york state law in terms of removing officers.

Chris: We'd like authorization from the president to send the draft of the bylaws off to chapters for comments and review.

Steve: I would like to see the draft before we send it to everyone.

Chris: I move to allow a week for board review of the bylaws changes document, then allow Andy to give approval and send it to chapters.

[Lisa seconds, unanimous]

- 3) We've received a reviewed and annotated version of Code of Conduct **ACTION ITEM: Review this prior to next week. Lisa will be forwarding it to board members.**

Chris: I think once the board and the president have reviewed it, we should send the draft to the chapters. [Lisa moves as such, Chris seconds, unanimous approval]

- 4) Steve has become aware of globe spanning requirements of the EU to protect data privacy and it may apply to us

[Agenda item: GDPR and the AGA (Steve)]

Martin: I'm not sure the EU has jurisdiction over us on that.

Steve: Not now, but it's moving toward being enforceable more universally.

Andy: Regardless, I think it's consistent with our desire to protect our membership and be in compliance with any rules that are out there.

Steve: I reviewed the documentation we have and commented on it, and we're mostly already in compliance. But the rules are about both storing data and processing it. It's about the right to unsubscribe or remove the information if our membership desires, and to opt in or out of data collection.

Andy: Once Steve thinks we have a good draft of our document, I'd like to seek an informal, non-billed opinion from a lawyer I have contact with.

[?] : An example of something where we have personal data stored is Chris' Mail Chimp mailing server list for communications. These rules might apply there, but Mail Chimp may already have required safeties in place.

Steve: **ACTION ITEM: For the board- read through my annotated version of the GDPR rules that I sent to the board for discussion and I will continue to update on the progress.**

- 5) Regarding 50 states tournament: we're sending out an announcement in the EJ this week or soon with the information and details.

Chris: We've seen a lot of interest from several groups.

- 6) My [current president, Andy Okun's] term of office expires in September. I'm willing to do another term, but I expect that would be my last term (another 2.5 years). Of course, I serve at the board's pleasure. If you want to have someone else as president, you would need to pick that person soon. It's not an easy position to fill.

[This is discussed in closed executive session following the agenda items without the presence of AGA president or secretary].

Update on Go Congress 2018/2019 (Lisa)

Things are moving forward with 2018. We're just waiting to confirm room availability and the final contract will be sent this week. Diego's been out of town but he just got back, so more progress will be made.

2019 is moving forward also. People are contacting me [congress liason, Lisa Scott] re: 2020, 2021 but I told them we need wait until mid spring at least.

Chris: When will the website for 2018 be up? I'd like this to be as soon as possible.

Lisa: I don't have a date because I'm waiting on Diego. The prices are set for everything but the final rooms so it should be soon. My goal is for every year the website to be up by MLK Jr. Day, but we're not there this year. We didn't start talking to the university until July, which is too late.

Andy: It's a hang up to not have the exact room inventory

Gurujeet: If we're still a little away from the website, maybe we can have an ejournal article mentioning the dates?

Lisa: Great idea, I'll work with Diego on that.

Edward: Is it mostly local volunteers or DC area people? In the DC area there are lots of players and the go center.

Gurujee: Mostly DC.

Inviting volunteers to board meetings and other mechanism for volunteer feedback (Steve)

Given the urgent nature of the GDPR, I haven't gotten into this. I will send notes out to the board after the meetings.

Martin: What did you have in mind? Just general reports or all volunteers participating in meetings?

Lisa: It would make sense if once a year the coordinators came to the meetings to report (1-2 volunteers per meeting). That's a great idea.

Andy: I agree.

Chris: How would we decide what volunteers came?

Lisa: We can ask our volunteer coordinator to give us a list, and then we can invite specific people based on what we want an update on. We can send out a google doc for the board to work on together.

Action item: Have volunteer coordinator get together list of volunteers and board comment on priorities

New Business

No new business

Setting up future board meeting times: April 15th, 2018 at 8 EST. May 20th, 2018 at 8 EST. [Also City League days]

Edward: Has the transition to the new AGA Treasurer gone well?

Andy: Yes

March 18th, 2018 at 8 EST: next board meeting time.

Gurujee moves to enter executive session, Chris seconds at 8:43pm. Unanimous motion.

Andrew moves to exit executive session, Chris seconds. Exit executive session at 8:54pm.
Unanimous motion.

Steve moves to adjourn at 8:55pm, Lisa seconds. Unanimous motion.