



MONTGOMERY/PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY CHAPTER

**2010-2011 PROGRAM YEAR
BOARD MEETING
April 5, 2011 at 12:00 P.M.
Call-In: 888-455-5451, passcode 367372**

Present: Andrew Lewis – President
Christine Tritsch – Early Careers
Hector Maysonet – Education
Troy Hailey – Community Service
Corinne Dougherty – Webmaster
Danielle Rosemond – Sponsorship
Arrington Smith – Secretary
Eric Rasmussen – Membership
Flora Milans – RVP
Boris Lyubovitsky – Regional Coordinator for Certification
Alex Dickey – Treasurer and President-Elect
Scott Binder – Special Projects
Joan Hebron – Community Service
Evelyn Brown – Regional Coordinator for Chapter Development and Assistance
Tolu Shoyemi – Early Careers
Grace McKitty - Historian

Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m.

Minutes From The Prior Board Meeting: Andrew Lewis made a motion (seconded by Corrine Dougherty) to accept the minutes from the February 22 board meeting. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

AGA PDC 2011 Scholarships: Andrew Lewis briefed the Board that in recognition of their contributions to the chapter, Sherianne Wilson has accepted the chapter's PDC scholarship and has also been given one of our two free hotel stays from AGA National, and Anu Sharma has accepted the second free hotel stay.

2011-2012 Board Members: Alex Dickey briefed the Board on the slate of officers for the 2011-2012 program year. Alex motioned (seconded by Troy Hailey) to accept the slate of officers. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

Our Chapter's Upcoming Events/Program:

- Dinner Meeting (Guest: Elizabeth Scheffler, US Copyright Office) – Wednesday, April 13
- Free Audio Conference (Subject: Mortgage Fraud) – Wednesday, April 20



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- “Team AGA” at Prince George’s County Kidney Walk – Sunday, May 1
- AGA Spring Workshop – Thursday, May 5
- Free Audio Conference (Subject: Ethics) – Wednesday, May 11
- Networking Golf and Happy Hour – Thursday, May 12
- Dinner Meeting (Guest: Lisa Casias, AGA National President) – Tuesday, May 17

- PG County Habitat for Humanity Event – TBD

Programs: Dawn Beatty reported (through Andrew Lewis) that the April and May speakers have been confirmed.

Meetings: Tom Birchall requested that next year’s dinner meeting registration process be more streamlined. In the future, he recommended that we require members to register and pay online, and eliminate the possibility whereby members can register but fail to pay in advance of the meeting. Alex Dickey and Corinne Dougherty agreed that this issue should be looked into further for next year.

Community Service: Troy Hailey and Joan Hebron are preparing for the National Kidney walk on Sunday, May 1 in Prince Georges County. They asked for more people to register for the event. As of now, our chapter only has three people signed up. The flyer for the kidney walk will be sent to Flora Milans so that she may help market the event among the other DC-area chapters. Also, Troy reported that the PG Habitat for Humanity event will hopefully take place in late May.

Education: The estimated cost for the Spring Workshop is \$2,732, which is about \$39 per person. Hector Maysonet is working on getting the price down to approximately \$34 per person. The workshop location holds about 80 people. A hot lunch and breakfast will be served along with two coffee breaks. Lunch will consist of a choice of fish or chicken. Lunch will be an additional \$17 per person. All of the speakers for this event have confirmed, and to date we have 34 people registered. All are welcomed to register as soon as possible.

Sponsorship: Our chapter will host a golf event on Thursday, May 12 at 1: 00 p.m. Registration for this event is now available on our website. Free spots will be given to our corporate sponsors (one free spot for every \$1,000 of sponsorship).

RVP: Flora Milans spoke about the upcoming Sectional Leadership Meeting (SLM). This event is sponsored by AGA National, and will last a day and a half in Philadelphia. She reported that this is a great opportunity to learn about what resources are available to assist board members, and is excited that our chapter will be sending representatives to this year’s SLM.



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Early Careers: There are no upcoming events for Early Careers. Christine Tritsch briefed that she has not yet received any applications for the annual scholarship for a high school or college student. Christine asked that all Board members encourage any high school or college students to apply before the April deadline.

Newsletter: Carla Flores reported (through Christine Tritsch) that the newsletter is almost complete, and is pending Andrew's president's message.

Treasurer: Alex Dickey reported that we're in a good financial position. The Washington Wizards game cost approximately \$1,700, and had income of \$850. We received \$2,000 from AGA National this past month for our share of the National Leadership Conference. This past month we made membership payments for several student members. Our web expenses are normal for the month. We will likely be over-budget on the dinner meetings. We have been averaging 32 people per dinner meeting, which is more than we budgeted.

Awards: Andrew Lewis reported that he'll contact Marlon Perry and An-Lih Tung to get movement on planning for the May awards dinner. Flora Milans requested Alex Dickey and his leadership team next year encourage the awards chair(s) participate in submitting nominations on behalf of the chapter for AGA National awards, and not to just focus on local chapter awards.

Membership: Eric Rasmussen reported that we have had twelve members join our chapter since our last count of 371 members. Our annual membership is expected to be approximately 380-385 by the end of the year, which is the same as last year. Eric encouraged all to support the golf outing on May 12.

Recognition: Yehuda Schmidt reported (through Andrew Lewis) that we have approximately 17,575 points. To maintain our platinum status, we need 20,000 points, which we are on track to earn during the final quarter of the program year.

Webmaster: Corrine Dougherty has kept the website up-to-date, and will send out the meeting announcement after the call. Eric Rasmussen inquired whether we would do the member survey again this year since the results from last year's survey were helpful in planning events and programs. Corinne was happy to update the questions, and would work on getting the survey released to our members in the coming months.

Special Recognition:

- Congratulations to Christine Tritsch, who will be next year's President-Elect.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:48 pm