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## Minutes of February 4, 2018 LGUTEF Board of Directors meeting Sheriton Hotel, Orlando, FL

Hobbs called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. Eastern Time, February 5, 2017

**Attendance**: Guido van der Hoeven, Bill Klump, Clark Garland, Rob Holcomb, Connie Smotek, Greg Bouchard, Robert Achenbach, Lori Miller, Virginia Uzendoski Guests: Larry Borton, Adam Kantrovich, Sonia Carter, Robert Jamison

**Minutes**: Smotek moved and Bouchard seconded motion to approve minutes of December 2017 board meeting as amended. Motion approved.

**Financial Report**: Achenbach presented financial status of the foundation as of the end of 2017; status of 2017 audit; and the 2018 budget as approved in December 2017. Book price discussed. \$27 recommended.

**President's report**: van der Hoeven reported on attending Phil's funeral.

Motion: Holcomb moved and Bouchard seconded motion to have LGUTEF pay the travel expenses of van der Hoeven and Klump for attending Phil's funeral. Motion approved.

**VP for Editorial Services**: currently looking for new additional assistant editor and writers.

## **Committees**

**Contractual Services Committee** – Smotek reported that committee met to discuss officer evaluations and does not recommend any compensation increase for the president, VP for editorial affairs and chief administrative officer.

**Long-range Planning Committee** – no report.

Audit Committee – Klump reported that the committee has reviewed the current finance records of LGUTEF and everything is good.

#### **New Business**

**Ag. Issues book** – van der Hoeven reported on acquisition of the rights to publish the annual Ag. Issues book published by Harris. Karen Harris has agreed to a payment of \$27,000 for these rights. van der Hoeven also presented a proposed budget and book price for the 2018 Ag Issues book

Bouchard moved and Uzendoski seconded to have LGUTEF pay Karen Harris (or Phil's estate) \$27,000 for the rights to publish the Ag. Issues book and that LGUTEF undertake to continue publishing the Ag Issues book. Motion approved.

**Business Entities book** – Robert Jamison proposed that LGUTEF publish a seminar workbook solely on formation of business entities for use by LGUTEF members for seminars on that topic. Achenbach will work up contract terms with Jamison. Book would need to be submitted to Lori by May 1 to avoid conflict with LGUTEF workbook.

**New member representatives**. Adam Kantrovich is the new representative from Clemson and Daniel Lass is the new representative for Massachusetts. Klump moved and Bouchard seconded to approve the new representatives. Motion approved.

#### Announcements

**Deadlines for 2018 Book** – Achenbach announced deadlines for 2018 Book - to printer on or before September 15, 2018.

**Date for Summer Planning meeting** on July 25-27, 2018, in Indianapolis, IN **Conflict of interest statements** – handed out for presentation/discussion at meeting on February 7.

Holcomb moved and Bouchard seconded motion to recess until 7:30 am February 7, 2018. Motion approved and board recessed at 5:30 p.m.

# Minutes of LGUTEF Membership Meeting February 5, 2018 Sheraton Hotel, Orlando, FL

Attendance: Guido van der Hoeven, Bill Klump, Connie Smotek, J.C. Hobbs, Robert Achenbach, Virginia Uzendoski, Mark Ribas, Rob Holcomb, Clark Garland, Greg Bouchard, Seth Anderson, Kristy Maitre, Julie Moose, Matais Nardi, Barry Ward, Bob Jamison, Shirley Wofford, Mary Sobba, Helen Weber, Lori Miller, Sonia Carter

Guido van der Hoeven called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m. EST.

**Financial Report**: Achenbach presented the final 2017 financial report and 2018 budget. Hobbs moved and Klump seconded motion to adopt \$27 price for 2018 book. Approved.

## **Election of new directors.**

<b>Note:</b> Ballots contain following langu	tage: "I ratify all actions of the Officers and Directors for 2017 as
evidenced in the minutes of the meetings of t	he Board of Directors included in the February 2018 meeting
handbook.	· ·
Date:	
Signed:	,, -

Nominees were presented by the Nominating Committee to be William Klump and Virginia Uzendoski. Ballots were distributed prior to meeting. No additional nominations were received. Hobbs moved and Bouchard seconded, that the nominations were closed. Motion approved. Robert Achenbach, serving as Inspector of Elections, received and counted the ballots. William Klump and Virginia Uzendoski were unanimously elected as new board members for a three year term, 2018-2020.

## **Old Business**

None.

## **New Business**

**Ancillary publications** –van der Hoeven reported on acquisition of the rights to publish the annual Ag. Issues book published by Harris. Karen Harris has agreed to a payment of \$27,000 for these rights. van der Hoeven also presented a proposed budget and book price for the 2018 Ag Issues book. Also discussed was the LGUTEF publishing of Robert Jamison's updated seminar materials on forming business entities.

2019 Winter Meeting – proposed dates of January 27-29, 2019 in Orlando. Hobbs moved and Klump seconded motion to accept those dates for the 2019 meeting in Orlando. Motion approved.

Hobbs moved and Holcomb seconded motion to adjourn. Motion Approved. Adjourned at 4:09 p.m.

## February 6, 2018 Reconvened Board of Directors Meeting

Sheraton Hotel, Orlando Florida

**Attendance**: Guido van der Hoeven, J.C. Hobbs, Bill Klump, Clark Garland, Connie Smotek, Rob Holcomb, Greg Bouchard, Robert Achenbach, Virgina Uzendoski, Lori Miller

Hobbs reconvened board meeting at 7:30 am.

#### Election of Officers

Holcomb moved and Garland seconded motion to elect the following officers of the board for 2018: Chair – J.C. Hobbs
Vice-president for Editorial Services – Lori Miller
Vice-president for Administration – Greg Bouchard
Chief Administrative Officer – Robert Achenbach
President and Assistant Treasurer – Guido van der Hoeven
Secretary – Connie Smotek
Motion approved.

**Conflict of interest updates**. Board members submitted their conflict of interest statements to the chair for review. Hobbs and Achenbach reviewed the statements and found no conflicts of interest to discuss.

#### **Old Business**

None

#### **New Business**

Robert Jamison seminar book – Bouchard moved and Klump seconded motion to authorize Achenbach to negotiate publishing of the book by LGUTEF. Approved.

Ag Issues book. Klump moved and Bouchard seconded motion to allocate \$2,000 for services provided by van der Hoeven to manage the publication of the 2018 Ag Issues book and \$5,000 for Kristine Tidgren to edit. Approved.

Klump moved and Holcomb seconded to adjourn. Adjourned at 7:56 am.

Written by Robert P. Achenbach, Jr, LGUTEF CAO