

**Executive Committee Meeting
Kansas Geographic Alliance
June 23, 2004
Hays, Kansas**

In Attendance: Marilyn Bahney, Lynn Boitano-Thompson, Judy Dollard, Don Everhart, Deb Hamil, Elizabeth Vrabec, Sandy Wallace, Rose Wilson, John Heinrichs, Cheryl Heinrichs, and Pam Keller, Rich Lisichenko.

1. **Welcome** by Marilyn Bahney
Meeting commenced at 1320 at the Days Inn Motel in Hays, KS.
2. **Approval of minutes from previous meeting** – John moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting and Don seconded the motion.
3. **Additions to agenda**
 - Kansas Educational Grant Proposal – Old Business
 - ASGI – New Business
 - NGS Plan – New Business
 - Selection of Co-Coordinator
4. **Financial Report**—John

Account	Balance 04/01/04	Current Balance	Change
Operating	41,209.79	34,840.57	-6,369.22
FHSU Endowment	20,573.03	20,375.81	-197.22
Streamshot	6,986.32	6,986.32	0.00
Checking	134.85	379.85	245.00
Petty Cash	21.32	21.32	0.00
Total	68,925.31	62,603.87	-6,321.44

Status as of 06/01/04:

KGA will receive \$24,462.00 from NGS in September for next year's programs.

5. **Coordinator's Report**
 - **Grosvenor Grant proposal (Main Street, USA)** was denied this year. Lynn moved that the proposal be resubmitted next year and Rosie seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - **Teacher Grant program**
There were no teacher applications received for grant money this year.
 - **Selection of GA!W coordinator**
Vicki O'Neal of Baxter Springs was unable to fill the GA!W Coordinator position for 2004.

6. **Publications report**—Cheryl
One thousand new copies of the membership brochure were ordered and received. The newsletter will go out the 1st of August and will include an overview of the 2004 SGI, short bios on the new TCs, and an overview of this year's Strategic Planning Summit. Cheryl will make up crossword puzzles for Nicodemus.
7. **Resource center report**—Cheryl
There were no new acquisitions.
8. **Standing Committee Reports**
 - **Professional Development**
 - **SGI**
PDC will be reviewing evaluations from the 2004 SGI.
 - **Teacher grants**
No grants were awarded this year. Members discussed the application process and decided to establish new guidelines with lower monetary awards. Don moved that the PDC rewrite the application making it easier to complete and available online. Judy seconded the motion. The motion carried.
 - Marilyn Bahney reimbursed KGA \$485.00 for grant money she was awarded last year and did not use.
 - **Membership** - Elizabeth
Elizabeth emailed John the mission statement following the last committee meeting. She will resend to both John and Cheryl. No other news.
 - **Communications** - Don
Nothing to report.
 - **Public Relations/Fundraising** - Sandy
 - **Grant awards**
John proposed that a %5 finder's fee be given to any person who secures unrestricted cash donations for KGA. The finder's fee will be subject to approval by the Executive Committee. Don seconded. Motion carries.
 - **Incentives for new members**
Lapel pins and tie tacks with KGA logo will be researched.
 - **Name tags**
All new TCs and Executive Board Members will be given a name tag compliments of KGA. Marilyn opposed.
 - **Outreach** – Judy, Sandy, Lynn
Planning for Nicodemus.

9. Old Business

- **SGI Report**
Successful. Seven participants. PDC is reviewing evaluations of the training workshop.
- **Incentive Program**
PDC will have program ready for Fall Conference. "Passport to Excellence."
- **Kansas Educational Grant Proposal**
John decided not to submit grant this year for lack of resources.
- **Kids' Atlas**
Support is there from the Department of Commerce. We need ideas and the resources to sell advertisements for the booklet. Don moved that we table the atlas for now. Deb seconded the motion. Motion carried.

10. New Business

- **Nicodemus**
Deb Alexander – Wilson met with the Executive committee to provide an overview of this year's events. The theme of the reunion is "The Historic Journey." The Outreach Committee will be planning the activities, securing volunteers, and procuring supplies. The date of the reunion is July 30 and 31. Kami from the Sternberg Museum will also attend.
- **GA!W Coordinator**
Sandy Wallace volunteered to replace Vicki O'Neal as the 2004 GA!W Coordinator. Pam Keeler and Lyn Boitano have agreed to assist. This year's theme is "Sound of Place."
- **Selection of Co-Coordinator**
Judy moved and Don seconded a motion to select a Co-Coordinator for KGA. Don moved that the Executive Committee be designated as the search committee. Don moved that the Executive Committee recommends Prof. Rich Lisichenko as Co-Coordinator of KGA upon the approval of NGS. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Schedule for Insights**
April 1; Aug. 1; Oct. 1; Jan 1. Deadline for articles to be included into the newsletter will be Mar 1; July 1; Sept. 1; Dec. 1. This 30 day span will allow Cheryl time to prepare the letter for print.
- **ASGI 2005**
Suggestions for next summer's ASGI Field Trip include: the "Rust Belt," Mexican Border Towns, the Deep South, Lewis and Clark. After a short discussion, Don moved that we do the "Rust Belt" and Rich seconded the motion. Mexican Border Towns will be scheduled for 2007. Total of 8 participants.

- **Fall Conference Planning**

PDC will meet on July 13th to plan conference. Site: Lakewood Middle School, Salina, KS. Date: September 11, 2004. Sandy will provide accurate address and map.

- **Executive Committee Chair**

Marilyn Bahney rescinded her chair position of the Executive Committee. She and her family will be relocating to Indiana. Lynn Boitano-Thompson has agreed to be the interim chairperson. The Alliance wishes to express its gratitude for Marilyn's long and dedicated service with KGA.

11. **Adjournment**

Sandy moved for adjournment at 1610. Elizabeth seconded. Motion carried.