



VTGFOA Annual Meeting

The Franklin Event Center, Rutland

June 26, 2024

Minutes

Members Present: Angela Aldieri, Michelle Ryan, Kimberly Moulton, Betty-Jean Bogue, Jess Morris, Laurie Roser, Abbie Sherman, Martha Machar, John Becker, Ann Duffy, Tina Labeau, Cheryl Lindberg, Monika Legayada, Jennifer Tricou, Darcy Van Noordt, Mary Markowski, Jennifer Silpe-Katz

Others Present: Chris Miele

1. Call to Order/Review of Agenda
 - Angela Aldieri, President, called the meeting to order at 11:46am.
2. Approval of June 22, 2023 Minutes
 - Cheryl Lindberg requested that the location of the meeting be added to the minutes.
 - Jess Morris stated that Item 1 time should be corrected to reflect 11:45am, not pm.
 - Cheryl Lindberg motioned to approve the June 22, 2023 minutes as amended, seconded by Betty-Jean Bogue. The membership approved the motion.
3. Treasurer's Report
 - a. May 2024 Financials
 - Cheryl Lindberg presented the financials as of May 2024.
 - b. Proposed FY2025 VTGFOA Budget
 - Angela Aldieri presented the FY25 budget as drafted by the board.
 - Betty-Jean Bogue asked about the purchase of a laptop.
 - Angela Aldieri stated that we have a technology line built into the budget and she is exploring the replacement of the existing laptop.
 - Abbie Sherman asked the board to speak about workshop/conference revenue and expenditures.
 - Angela Aldieri stated there has been a significant challenge getting attendance at workshops and there is ongoing discussion by the board about workshop fees and attendance.
 - Jennifer Silpe-Katz added that the board has been asking how we can provide value to members and focusing on the topics to be presented.
 - Chris Miele stated that VALA hosts hybrid meetings and has more attendance remote than in-person. He suggested combining workshops with other organizations like VLCT, VALA, etc.
 - Angela Aldieri stated that Katie Buckley from VLCT has reached out to coordinate topics so that we're not offering the same things.
 - Jennifer Silpe-Katz motioned to approve the proposed FY25 budget, seconded by Betty-Jean Bogue. The membership approved the motion.
4. Committee Reports
 - a. Audit Committee

- Angela Aldieri reviewed the audits that have been completed for FY22 and FY23. Everything is in good order and will be uploaded to the website after approval at the next board meeting.
 - b. Membership Committee
 - Martha Machar spoke about efforts to increase memberships. She stated that membership in VTGOFA automatically enrolls members in NESGFOA. Let the board know if there is anything else needed to share information with others about joining.
 - Angela Aldieri stated that you do not need to be a finance officer to be a member; managers or anyone who runs a budget can also become a member.
 - c. Scholarship Committee
 - Angela Aldieri gave an update on the scholarship committee offerings for fall and spring conferences, with the addition of the CPFO scholarship.
 - d. Education Committee
 - Angela Aldieri recapped FY24 workshop attendance and topics. February will continue to be a virtual workshop. Next workshop slated to be in November and looking for location and topic suggestions. There is a topic form on website, please submit ideas.
5. FY2025 Board Nominations
- Angela presented the current board members who are willing to continue serving: Angela Aldieri, Jennifer Silpe-Katz, Cheryl Lindberg, Jess Morris, Martha Machar, Shirley Goodell-Lackey, Elizabeth King, and Betty-Jean Bogue. Looking for any additional nominees. Anyone interested is welcome to attend a meeting. If interested reach out to VTGFOA email.
 - Jennifer Silpe-Katz motioned to approve the board nominations as presented, seconded by Abbie Sherman. The membership approved the board nominations as presented.
6. Other Business
- Angela stated that Abbie will be taking over as president of NESGFOA. The fall conference will be held in Mystic, CT 9/17-9/18. NESGFOA's new website is nesgfoa.com, and you can see previous conference information there.
 - Abbie Sherman stated that NESGFOA is offering two scholarships of \$400 each, and spoke about VT hosting the fall conference 9/14-9/17/25 at Jay Peak. Looking for volunteers to assist with that. Will give additional information after the workshop is complete.
7. Adjourn
- Abbie Sherman made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Cheryl Lindberg. The members approved the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:08pm.

Minutes Respectfully submitted by:
Jess Morris, Secretary