GSCPA Board of Directors
Meeting Summary
September 18, 2009

The GSCPA Board of Directors met on Friday, Sept. 18 to discuss the business of the Society. The Board approved a request from the Educational Foundation to remove the restriction on a portion of fund raising dollars that were previously given to the Foundation. The board also discussed the policy on chapter CPE programs and agreed that the current policy shall remain.

Gary Julian discussed the four key initiatives of the Society's strategic plan and presented a matrix to evaluate the Society's programs and services. Bonnie Cox, chair of the Audit Committee, presented the audit report noting that all three entities, the GSCPA, the Educational Foundation and the Insurance Trust all received a clean audit with no material weaknesses.

Stewart Carlin, immediate past president, presented a new Nomination Form for members to volunteer for the Board of Directors or the Leadership Council and which defines the duties of the Board and the Council. Stewart also presented the Board Evaluation tool.

Scotty Jones, treasurer, presented the Treasurer's Report. The Society is operating with a $9,000 surplus versus the $32,000 deficit that had been budgeted.

Bob Prator, chairman, reported that he has spoken to eight chapters, the High School Residency Program, written articles for the Atlanta Business Chronicle and Current Accounts, and written blogs and made posts on Facebook.

The Fall Leadership Council meeting will be held at Callaway Gardens on November 9; legislators and the GSCPA lobbyist have been invited to speak.

Gary Julian updated the Board on the membership renewal numbers; approximately 1,059 members have not renewed. The Board approved additional funding to hire a company to contact each member personally and the staff continues to contact members. The Board approved a reduced rate of $50 for unpaid members that are unemployed or experiencing extreme financial hardship.