

**The Georgia Society of CPAs
Fall Council Meeting
November 13, 2017
Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, Georgia**

Minutes

<i>Board of Directors:</i>	<i>Council Members at Large:</i>	<i>Council Members At large Continued:</i>
Rodney Chandler	Ashley Addison	Paul Oddo
K. Scott Collins	Becky Agnew	Joel Pascaner
Barbara Evans	Judy Arnold	Patti Rose
Kirk Jarrett	Robin Bennett	Carl Peabody
Debbie Thaw	Ben Brannin	John Pettigrew
James Underwood	Nicholas Bruner	Evelyn Rosier
Boyd Search	Walt Bryde	Emily Sanders
Brandon Verner	Phillip Buelterman	Paula Sands
Kathryn Fletcher	Ross Cannon	Robert Schwarzmman
Carlton Hodges	Albert Caproni	Alan Skelton
	Amanda Carmen	Michael Skinner
<i>Chapter Presidents:</i>	Larry Cohen	Beverly Smith
Cromwell Baun	Carlton Collins	Sondra Smith
Valerie Bowron	Lisa Conti-Bacon	Joli Stuckey
Erin McLeod	Frank D'urban Jackson	Joetta Thomas
Jack Milner	Adrienne Davis	Chuck Thornton
Gregory Chapman	Frances Deal	Margaret Waldrep
Ralph Knight	Sarah Dekutowski	James Warren
Amanda Wilkson	Bob Dow	
JD Hunt	Joshua Forsyth	
Tom Hoyt	Sarah Fozzard	<i>Committee Chairs:</i>
Bo Jackson	Danyelle George	Kathy Moreno
	Shawntell Hale	Chris Miller
<i>Chapter Representatives</i>	Dennis Hamlet	
Billie Baxter	Bill Harshman	<i>Past Presidents/Chairs:</i>
Jerry Maxwell	Becky Hines	Julian Deal
Tanner Glenn	Clay Huffman	Scott Voynich
	Michael Imber	Mike Cauley
<i>Staff:</i>	Tabitha Jones	Paula Mooney
Greg Wilder	Andrew Jordan	Colin Blalock
Don Cook	Brian Klinkert	Darrell Thaw
Callie Hammond	Steven Laine	Terry Parker
Jessica Mytrohovich	Ben Lee	Lowell Mooney
Missy Smith	Kevin Lipford	
Calvin Wong	Mike Lopata	
	Tim Lyons	
	Denise O'Connell	

I. Call to Order

Rodney Chandler, chair, called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. and invited everyone to stand for the National Anthem and Pledge of Allegiance. The 1040 Marine Corps League presented the colors and recognized the veterans in the room.

II. Invocation

Terry Parker provided the invocation.

III. Recognition of Past Presidents/Chairs

Mr. Chandler recognized the past presidents and past chairs in attendance.

IV. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and approved to accept the minutes as presented.

V. Elect Nominating Committee Members

Barbara Evans, chair of the Nominating Committee, presented the slate of the members who were nominated to serve on the Nominating Committee. The requirements to serve on the Nominating Committee were discussed. Council members were asked to select three members on the ballot included in their packet and return it to GSCPA staff.

VI. Q&A with Alan Skelton – State Accounting Officer to Georgia

Mr. Boyd Search introduces Mr. Alan Skelton.

Alan Skelton graduated from FSU with an accounting degree and worked for EY for 10 years and is the State of Georgia's first State Accounting Officer.

Mr. Skelton spoke of his daily tasks, successes, and challenges. He explained the differences in working in the private versus public sector. He also explained the relationship between the State Accounting Office and the Georgia State Board of Accountancy. Mr. Skelton gave a brief update on the state of the State and what he is seeing. The State is growing year over year and the economy is strong.

VII. Audit Committee Report

Chris Miller, chair of the Audit Committee, presented the Audit Committee Report.

The Council received the Audit report.

VIII. Appointment of Audit Committee Member

Mr. Chandler presented Chris Miller with a padfolio to thank him for his service on the Audit Committee. He recommended the appointment of John Holden to the Audit Committee.

A motion is made and approved to appoint John Holden to the Audit Committee.

IX. AICPA Council Report

Dr. Lowell Mooney presented the AICPA Council Report. He recognized GSCPA's current AICPA Council members. He gave a brief update on the AICPA Council meetings and sessions he

attended. During these meetings, AICPA inducted the new incoming chair, Eric Hansen. Dr. Mooney is proud to be a part of The Georgia Society at these meetings.

X. Chair's Report

Mr. Chandler gave his chair's report. He spoke of the tremendous opportunities to meet other CPAs and interact, on a personal level, with AICPA leadership. GSCPA members are well positioned at the Georgia level for governmental access and information. The PAC committee is still active; he encouraged the Council to donate to the PAC committee and mentioned CPA Day at the Gold Dome.

He gave a brief history of the relationship of the CGMA partnership with AICPA. GSCPA's partnership has not changed with the AICPA, however the Board of Directors has encouraged management to take a step back from the active pursuit of this relationship.

XI. CEO Report

Mr. Search gave his CEO report. He gave an update on the changes on the administrative side of Peer Review. More mergers mean less peer reviews and less revenue from administering peer review. In addition, the pool of qualified peer reviewers and technical reviewers continues to shrink affecting availability and cost in the marketplace. A long-term review of peer review administration structure and costs will be conducted in 2018.

XII. Treasurer's Report

Brandon Verner, treasurer, presented the treasurer's report. The balance sheet remains strong with some variances in CPE, membership and staff travel. Some of these variances should even out as the year progresses.

The Council meeting recessed for the Educational Foundation Meeting.

XIII. Educational Foundation Report

Kathy Moreno, president of the Educational Foundation, provided the report. She gave an overview of the mission and purpose of the Educational Foundation. She discussed scholarships and recognized current members who are scholarship recipients. Mrs. Moreno also mentioned the Educational Foundation Golf Tournament on May 12 at the Brookfield Country Club. She concluded by introducing Barbara Evans.

Ms. Evans presented the Howard Herman Award posthumously to Kathryn Epps. Her husband, Adrian Epps, accepted the award on her behalf and said a few remarks.

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XIV. Nominating Committee Election Results

Ms. Evans, chair of the Nominating Committee, presented the results of the Nominating Committee Election to elect three new members to the Nominating Committee. The three members that have been elected for the Nominating Committee are Paula Mooney, Kay Proctor and Ralph Knight.

XV. Open Forum

Daryl Thaw, chair of the PAC committee, presented The Society a check on behalf of the Georgia Federal Tax Conference Trustees. Kathryn Fletcher, chair of the Annual Convention Task Force, announced 2018 Annual Convention in Banff, Canada and 2019 Annual Convention in Charleston, SC. Carlton Hodges, chair of the Group Insurance Trust, reminded the Council that the renewal process for the next year is well underway.

XVI. On the Economic, Business and Political Climate – Roger Tutterow

Roger Tutterow of Kennesaw State University gave an economic update.

XVII. Adjourn

Mr. Chandler thanked everyone for their time, for attending and for being apart Leadership Council. The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Boyd E. Search". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Boyd E. Search, CAE
Chief Executive Officer/Secretary