



Georgia Polygraph Association

Minutes of Meeting January 12, 2021

GBI Headquarters, DOFS Conference Room

3121 Panthersville Rd.,

Decatur, GA

Prepared by Sgt. Gilbert Guthrie

I. Call to order

Members were welcomed to the GBI Headquarters by Agent Joshua Alford. The meeting was called to order by President John Sweat.

II. Members and Guests in attendance

Don Berez	Allen Morgan	Nathan Roberts	Jack Joiner Jr.
Robbie Frederick	Lindsey Smith	Charles Sullenger	Sean Edgar
James Brewer	Jan Roulain	Nathan Sprague	Keith Woodford
Linda Howard	Kenneth Adamczyk	James Hayes	Gilbert Guthrie
John Sweat	Sarah Keane	Arthez Woodruff	Tammy Birris-Mayo
Todd VandeZande	Joshua Alford		

III. Secretary Report

Secretary Report was presented by President John Sweat. Approval for the minutes of the last meeting, as submitted to the membership via the GPA website, was called for and approved. Two new members, Charles Sullenger and Sean Edgar, were welcomed to the organization.

IV. Treasurer Report

The Treasurer Report was presented by Treasurer Brenda Nix. The current balance for the GPA is \$17,902.93. Since the last meeting, the GPA received \$3,028.27, had expenditures of \$1229.89 and paid \$229.72 in fees. The Treasurer Report was voted on and approved.

V. Old Business

No old business was discussed.

VI. New Business

President John Sweat reminded everyone that the American Polygraph Association 2021 Conference will be held in Chicago on August 29, 2021 through September 3, 2021.

President John Sweat asked if anyone had any suggestions for training topics for future meetings. It was later discussed to conduct training and have a discussion over Tactical Polygraphs. The suggestion was made to have someone who conducts these types of tests speak on the issue, which would likely be someone from a federal agency. President John Sweat asked that members email him or Agent Joshua Alford with any suggestions.

President John Sweat presented the nominated candidates for the open positions on the GPA board. Capt. John Sweat (incumbent) was unopposed for President; Mrs. Sarah Keane (incumbent) was unopposed for Vice President; Sgt. Gilbert Guthrie was nominated for Secretary being vacated by Meredith Edwards; Investigator Jay Hayes had been nominated for Treasurer but wished to withdrawal his nomination and

nominated Don Berez instead; Investigator Jay Hayes was nominated for Board Member At-Large Robbie Frederick's position and Board Member At-Large Arthez Woodruff was unopposed.

Elections were held for board members of GPA.

President: Capt. John Sweat
Vice President: Mrs. Sarah Keane
Secretary: Sgt. Gilbert Guthrie
Treasurer: Mr. Don Perez
Board Members at-Large: Inv. Jay Hayes
Board Members at Large: Arthez Woodruff

Congratulations to the newly elected officers and thank you for your years of service to the members vacating their positions.

Agent Joshua Alford spoke about the 2021 Tri-State Conference scheduled for September 29, 2021 through October 1, 2021. The same arrangements made with Tybee Hotel in 2020 will be honored for the 2021 conference. The speakers at the conference will be Mr. Steve Duncan, Mr. Mark Handler and Ms. Erika Thiel. An email will be sent out soon with hotel and registration information.

VII. Announcements

Robbie Frederick announced that the American International Institute of Polygraph will by administering a PCSOT class the week of March 22-26, 2021.

The next regular meeting of the Georgia Polygraph Association will be held on Tuesday, March 9, 2021, at 10 am. The location and topic of training is yet to be determined. This information will be disseminated when it is available.

Training provided directly after this meeting by Agent Joshua Alford over Body Language Interpretation.

VIII. Adjournment

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned.