

**FLORIDA GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 13, 2020**

The meeting of the FGFOA Board of Directors took place on April 13, 2020 via conference call.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

**OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS**

President – Ken Burke, Clerk of the Court, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller Pinellas County – CCC

President-Elect – Jamie Roberson, Finance Director, Apopka

Secretary/Treasurer – Shannon Ramsey-Chessman, Chief Operating Officer, Clerk & Comptroller – Palm Beach County

Director, Melissa Burns, Director of Finance, City of Atlantic Beach

Director, Rip Colvin, Executive Director, Justice Administrative Commission

Director, Frank DiPaolo, Director of Finance, Dania Beach

Director, Nicole Gasparri, Organizational Program Manager, City of Boca Raton

Director, Mike Gomez, Audit Manager, Florida Auditor General - Tallahassee

Director, William Spinelli, Chief Financial Officer, Brevard County Sheriff's Office

Director, Johnathan McKinney, Finance Director, City of New Smyrna Beach

Director, Kelly Strickland, Director of Financial Administration, City of Sarasota

Immediate Past President Kent Olson, Deputy Treasurer/Clerk, City of Tallahassee

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Lorrie Simmons, Certification

Lisa Snead, Conference Host

Nicole Jovanovski, Conference Program

Rebecca Schnirman, Education & Webinar

Stephen Timberlake, Legislative

Mark Parks, 2020 SOGF

Linda Benoit, Technical Resources

**STAFF**

Paul Shamoun, Executive Director

Karen Pastula

Jill Walker

Also in attendance was Bryan Cahen, Enhancing the Finance Professional Ad-Hoc Committee Chair.

**CALL TO ORDER**

There being a quorum, President Burke called the April 13, 2020 meeting of the FGFOA Board of Directors to order at 2:05 p.m.

**Minutes**

Mr. Burke asked the Board to review minutes from the February 7 and March 16, 2020 meetings. Mr. Spinelli noted his title needs to be updated.

**Mr. Spinelli moved, seconded by Mrs. Burns, to approve the February 7, 2020 minutes with this edit. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Further, Mr. Colvin moved, seconded by Mrs. Strickland, to approve the March 16, 2020 minutes with this edit. Motion passed unanimously.**

**FGFOA Annual Conference**

Mr. Shamoun gave an update on the 2020 Annual Conference noting the Rosen Shingle Creek Resort decided to let us out of the contract without additional fees with the caveat that we book with them for the Annual Conference in 2023. The dates for this event are June 23 – 28, 2023 at a rate of \$199 per night.

**Mrs. Roberson moved, seconded by Mrs. Burns, to formerly cancel the 2020 Annual Conference contract with the Rosen Shingle Creek Resort and give Mr. Shamoun authority to book for 2023 pending negotiations. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Annual Business Meeting**

Mr. Olson presented his findings regarding annual business meeting and recommends a bylaw change now as a conservative option to meet the bylaws expectation of an in-person meeting. He recommends having the Annual Conference in the latter half of June to satisfy this requirement to have the annual business meeting once per year to vote on the slate where a quorum must be present. The main concern is whether there would need to be a bylaw change to have this meeting virtually by conference call or video chat. It was not settled as to whether a video call could be considered in-person.

**Mr. DiPaolo moved, seconded by Mrs. Strickland, to hold the meeting virtually, as they meet the bylaws as a meant to conduct the annual business meeting. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for Monday, April 27, 2020 via video conference call.

ATTEST:



Shannon Ramsey-Chessman, Secretary/Treasurer