

FLORIDA GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
May 20, 2022

The meeting of the FGFOA Board of Directors took place at the Hampton Inn, New Smyrna Beach during the Strategic Planning session on Friday, May 20, 2022.

IN ATTENDANCE:

OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

President – Shannon Ramsey-Chessman, Chief Deputy Clerk, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, Palm Beach County
President Elect – Jonathan McKinney, Finance Director, City of Port Orange
Secretary/Treasurer – Frank DiPaolo, Director of Finance, City of Dania Beach
Director, Melissa Burns, Director of Finance, City of Atlantic Beach
Director, Bryan Cahen, Budget Director, City of Weston
Director, Rip Colvin, Executive Director, Justice Administrative Commission
Director, Missy Licourt, Budget Director, St. Johns River Water Management District
Director, Olga Rabel, Inspector General, Clay County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
Director, Bill Spinelli, Chief Financial Officer, Brevard County Sheriff's Office
Director, Kelly Strickland, Director of Financial Administration, City of Sarasota

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

Jamie Roberson, Director of Finance & Accounting, Osceola Clerk of Court & Comptroller

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Jeremy Baker, Certification Committee
Sharon Almeida, Conference Host Committee
Lorrie Arevalo, Education & Webinar Committee
Nicole Jovanovski, Conference Program
Rebeca Schnirman, Education and Webinar
Stephen Timberlake, Legislative
Nicole Gasparri, SOGF 2022
Ryan Bernal, Technical Resources

CHAPTER PRESIDENTS

Melissa Licourt

STAFF

Paul Shamoun, Florida League of Cities
Jill Walker, Florida League of Cities

CALL TO ORDER

There being a quorum, President Ramsey-Chessman called the May 20, 2022, meeting of the FGFOA Board of Directors to order at 9:09 am.

PRESIDENT REPORT

Alternative Ethics Exams Options

Mrs. Ramsey-Chessman presented a concern for people with the CGFO certification to receive their continuing education via the FGFOA Ethics exam. There are many alternatives for an appropriate Ethics course offered via the Florida League of Cities, FCCMA and FACC. She would like them to be

considered as a qualified option to replace the FGFOA Ethics exam. A concern was raised that there be an attestation clarifying that it be an equivalent ethics training.

Mr. McKinney moved, seconded by Ms. Burns, to allow any similar Ethics exam offered by FCCMA, FLC, FACC or equivalent municipality, be allowed to qualify for the annual FGFOA Ethics training in lieu of the 4-hour FGFOA Ethics class. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:12 am and then reopened at 11:28 am.


Mrs. Ramsey-Chessman reopened the meeting with a request to offer the Lifetime Honorees with a free registration to the Annual Conference. This is meant to offer them the ability to network and attend all events.

Mr. Colvin moved, seconded by Mr. McKinney, to provide Honorary Lifetime members a free registration to Annual Conference to attend all events. Motion passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Friday, June 24, 2022, at the Rosen Shingle Creek in Orlando. It will be held in conjunction with the FGFOA Annual Conference.

ATTEST:



Frank DiPaolo, Secretary/Treasurer