

**Georgia Association of Accounting Educators (GAAE)**  
**2020 Annual Business Meeting**  
**February 8, 2020**  
**University of North Georgia-Oakwood, GA**

President Bill Black called the meeting to order at 8:10 am.

President Black asked whether any revisions were necessary for the 2019 annual meeting minutes. Since there were none, President Black called for a motion to approve the 2019 annual meeting minutes. Former president, Sandria Stephenson moved to approve the minutes and former president Don Ariail seconded the motion. The motion to approve the 2019 meeting minutes was carried by the body.

Treasurer Denise Smith provided the Treasurer's Report for the year ended July 31, 2019 noting that sponsorship has decreased. Past president Martha Merritt suggested that 100% of GAAE membership consider donating to the Educational Foundation of the Georgia Society of CPAs as an act of gratitude for their continual financial backing of the GAAE annual meeting. President Black noted that the annual corporate filing and form 990 had been completed.

Next, president Black asked for nominations for the 2020-2021 secretary. Anne Young, accounting faculty at Southern Regional Technical College, introduced herself and self-nominated. Former president, Chris Jonick moved to accept the nomination. It was properly seconded and the body unanimously agreed to appoint Anne Young as the 2020-2021 secretary.

Bill Black made note of GAAE members' accolades and accomplishments over the past year including the work of each of the officers. He then presented Cathy McCrary, GAAE secretary and Denise Smith, GAAE treasurer with tokens of appreciation. Then Bill passed the gavel to our 2020-2021 president, Joseph Sanders.

Finally, Bill encouraged everyone to complete the evaluation form which was emailed to the attendees. President Sanders announced that next year's meeting will be held February 5-6, 2021, in Carrollton, GA.

Before the meeting was adjourned, former president Karen McCarron announced that she is currently serving as the president of the Southeast Region of the American Accounting Association (AAA) and due to changes that have taken place in AAA's Southeast Region, there is an opportunity for GAAE to fill a void in teaching & learning presentations. Former presidents Chris Jonick and Sandria Stephenson, who also serve in leadership positions with AAA's Southeast Region, emphasized Karen's point.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 am.

Respectfully submitted by Cathy McCrary, 2019-2020 GAAE Secretary