

# SPJ Georgia Board Meeting Agenda

October 14 or 15\*\*\*2015

Promptly at 7 p.m.

*Reporter Newspapers conference room*

## New Business

Excellence in Journalism Conference SPJGA delegate update – Curt and Mary

Larry Peterson Memorial Award for Investigative Journalism update – Sharon

- Set agenda and operating budget

Update on police and media panel set for Oct. 31 - Ellen

Financial Report; motion to freeze bank account – Dan

Options for funding website design

- Seeking sponsors

Programming for 2016: share ideas, thoughts

- Immigration reporting – Devika and Curt
- Operation Freelance: focus on social media, branding
- Sunshine Week program
- Zombie Stories in October 2016
- Media Mixer with other organizations

Committee discussion

- Bylaws
- Finance
- Membership

Board operations

- Review bylaws - adherence and violations
- President and president-elect cannot chair committees
- No chair can have dual positions - cannot chair one committee and be on another
- Finances need to be recorded officially
- Finance by laws to reconsider and vote to amend:
  - Reimbursement forms need to be submitted and will be processed within 30 days
  - \$50 no questions asked purchases need to be revisited
    - If all purchases for a certain event or program total up to \$50+, it needs to go through board approval and needs to be a line-item in a budget for said event.
    - Purchases less than \$50 should only account for one-time transactions and need to pertain to operating and maintenance costs, or supplies.
      - NO purchases for events or programs can be made under this bylaw
    - ALL purchases should be recorded through a formal form submitted to the treasurer - regardless of <50-dollar provision