

SPJ Georgia Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, Jan. 23, 8-9 p.m. via conference call

Old Business

November minutes to approve (Emailed)

New Business

• **Treasurer report:** 2018 president Haisten Willis and treasurer Danielle Douez have been added to the SPJ Georgia bank account, 2017 president Ellen Eldridge and treasurer Dan Whisenhunt have been removed.

From December: SPJ Georgia annual audit complete and signed off by Haisten Willis, Mark Woolsey, Danielle Douez and Adina Solomon

• **Freelance committee report:** The freelance committee has received a \$500 grant for photography workshop held Jan. 18 at Indigo Yoga. Committee will meet and hold a lunch gathering 11:15 a.m.-1 p.m. at [Cafe Pharr in Vinings](#). Early planning is underway for the 2018 freelance job fair, scheduled for May. 5.

Social committee: Committee chair Robin Sherman met with members Bobby Rodrigo and Kimeko McCoy Friday, Jan. 5 via conference call. The committee divided up SPJ Georgia's social media channels as such: Bobby will handle Facebook, Robin will handle LinkedIn and Kimeko will handle Twitter. The committee is working to set up future meeting dates.

Diversity committee: Larry Johnson will chair this committee and plan for an event, potentially another edition of 2017's Media and the Muslim Community.

Bylaws committee: Jay Suber will chair and work with one or two others to review and update existing Bylaws.

Student development committee: David Armstrong will work to bridge his roles with KSU and Georgia News Lab to get students involved with SPJ. Toni Stauffer will help on this committee, too.

Membership committee: Ellen Eldridge has volunteered to continue managing the mailing lists via mailchimp and take responsibility for newsletter distribution.

She will report to the board at regular meetings about engagement and growth from our email marketing efforts.

Board ideas: Each board member will briefly describe one or two event, programming or outreach ideas for 2018. These ideas will be evaluated and implemented beginning with the February board meeting.

Potential 2018 calendar for board meetings:

In-person meeting noon-1 p.m. Feb. 10 at Alon's Bakery in Dunwoody (4505 Ashford Dunwoody Rd, Atlanta, GA 30346)

Conference call meeting Thursday, March 8, 8-9 p.m.

In-person meeting Saturday. April 14, noon-1 p.m. at Alon's Bakery in Dunwoody

Conference call meeting Thursday, May 10, 8-9 p.m.

Conference call meeting Thursday, June 14, 8-9 p.m.

In-person meeting Saturday, July 14, noon-1 p.m. at Alon's Bakery in Dunwoody

Conference call meeting Thursday, Aug. 9, 8-9 p.m.

Conference call meeting Thursday, Sept. 6, 8-9 p.m.

In-person meeting Saturday, Oct. 13, noon-1 p.m. at Alon's Bakery in Dunwoody

Conference call meeting Thursday, Nov. 8, 8-9 p.m.

Annual meeting, Sat. Dec. 8, date and time TBD

Dates can be changed as needed

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