

SPJ September August Board Meeting Agenda

Via conference call, Thursday, Sept. 6., 8-9 p.m.

Old Business

August minutes to approve

New Business

Treasurer Report: SPJ Georgia Treasurer Danielle Douez will present our most recent bank statement to the board.

Freelance Committee: From committee chair Adina Solomon: "The freelance job fair was a success. We had 26 registered attendees. Both writers and editors reported finding work or contacts through the event. The next event we're planning is the personal trainer event. We're looking at holding this on Oct. 13. Oct. 27 is also an option, but that's likely too close to the Oct. 25 SPJ event on covering Muslims in the media. We don't have a time yet. Hiring the personal trainer, Avril James, will cost \$150. Holding the event at Indigo Yoga will cost \$125, though we haven't reserved anything there since we're waiting on SPJ Georgia board fund approval. That is a total of \$275, and as of now, I don't foresee any other expenses. The freelance committee has not voted on ticket prices yet, but we usually follow a model of free for SPJ Georgia members and \$20 for non-members."

Board will discuss and potentially vote on approving \$300 for expenses to cover the personal trainer event.

Diversity Committee: From committee chair Larry Johnson: "The Midterms and the American Muslim Voter event has all the basic details nailed down, and we're beginning the promotional phase:

Date: Thursday October 25. Time: 6:30 p.m. Location: The Atlanta Journal-Constitution headquarters Panel: Moderator: Kevin Riley, Editor AJC, Soumaya Khalifa, Islamic Speakers Bureau, Atlanta, Edward Ahmed Mitchell, Council on American-Islamic Relations, Georgia, Bill Nigut, Georgia Public Broadcasting, Aisha Yaqoob, Candidate Georgia House of Representatives.

I'll be asking SPJ Georgia to split the cost with the ISB and CAIR-GA, both of whom have allocated funds. The only significant expense will be catering from Halal Guys. We've been quoted \$745 for a projected 75 people. I'd like \$300 to be allocated with the understanding that it will probably not be needed (we didn't use the entire allocated amount last year).

At this point, when we're finished with the one-page flyer, the Eventbrite page, and the Facebook page, we'll be approaching a list of organizations for sponsorship. Sponsorship will comprise in-kind donation (like the AJC offering space, Nigut's time as GPB's donation, the Atlanta Press Club publicizing the event through their networks, etc.)

If anyone wants to help out I'll be posting a list of organizations we want to do outreach toward. You can volunteer to approach them.

Board will discuss and potentially vote on approving \$300 in expenses for this event.

Nominations Committee: A committee chair will be appointed to begin the process of holding fall board elections. As a related measure, the board will discuss amending our chapter bylaws to reduce student board member terms to from two years to one.

EIJ Conference Delegate Votes: The board should vote on candidates for our delegates to vote for at our next meeting.

Adjourn