

SPJ Georgia September 2019 Board Meeting Minutes
Saturday, Sept. 21, 10 a.m. via conference call

Present: Pam, KC, Haisten, David

Minutes: August minutes approved

Treasurer Report: Currently \$4304.31. Less \$300 for due out for SPJ conference; \$250 grant for IRE not in yet

Committee Reports:

- **Nominations Committee:** Sharon Dunten, Haisten will chair committee. Pam, David to help. Carol, Haisten, David not running. 5 returning. Discussion of going to 7 board members
- **Freelance Committee:** Pam: worked on IRE event. Will resume talking about winter event next month. Stell talked about her experience at the SPJ conference

Old Business

- **Dorothy Butler Gilliam Event:** Everything coming together. Last piece of schedule is booking her on morning shows, HBCU 11am; GPB for On Second Thought 2p; Press Club reception 6p event 645-8; booksellers set up; moderators; most pieces together for stipend. NABJ declined to be sponsor. Discussion of honorarium, payment procedures. The event is set for November 13.
- **IRE Event:** Awarded a \$250 grant from SPJ national. Half of attendees will be students, maybe one or two more. Tickets sold like hotcakes. GSU was going to provide coffee/tea service, they said they couldn't because we weren't spending enough. Pam working on getting things set up. KC is picking up trainer at airport. Pam checked on adding free standing chairs with no tables to increase availability (couldn't do it). Stell sent out assignments to board members to start spreading the word. The event will take place on October 18 at GSU. 10 students have already signed up from NewsLab.

New business: Board discussed leadership roles for 2020. Prefer to have current member be president, will also need vice president. Discussion of moving to 7 members

SPJ conference: Haisten provided update. He did not win at large position. Debate over name; convention sponsored by Fox & Sinclair. 1 resolution to set up task force to study sponsorships.

Next meeting: Saturday, Oct. 19 at 10 a.m. KC will set up agenda (Note after meeting: Charlotte did this)

Motion to adjourn.