

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP BUSINESS MEETING

**FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC
PURCHASING OFFICERS**

HYATT SARASOTA

APRIL 24, 2008

CURRENT OFFICERS

PRESENT:

Cheri Alexander, C.P.M., CPPB, President
Denise Schneider, C.P.M., CPPB, Vice President
Marian Howe-Pace, CPPO, CPPB, Treasurer
Johnny Richardson, CPPO, CFCM, Secretary

The meeting was called to order by President Alexander at 11:40 a.m. She greeted all in attendance and stated that there are 184 attendees, including 31 first timers.

Nominations. President Alexander announced that the only one nomination for Secretary for 2008/2009 Mr. Mark Raiford. No other nominations were received.

Motion by Ms. Schneider to close the nominations was seconded by Mr. Richardson and passed unanimously.

Motion by Ms. Schneider to approve Mr. Raiford as the 2008/2009 Secretary was seconded by Ms. Howe-Pace and passed unanimously.

FAPPO AEP Representative. President Alexander discussed the nomination of an individual to complete Ms. Olson's term as FAPPO's AEP representative. Ms. Olson can no longer fulfill this duty due to her job constraints. The selected person would serve for a two year period through 2009.

Ms. Kuhl was recommended and was approved by President Alexander.

Treasurer's Report. Ms. Howe pace reviewed the Treasure's Report.

Motion to accept the report by Mr. Richardson was seconded by Mr. Raiford and passed unanimously.

Newsletter. President Alexander requested that all articles for the upcoming newsletter be submitted by May 2nd to ensure a publication date of May 9th.

By-Laws. Ms. Geltch presented proposed changes to the by-laws concerning the following areas:

- a. Article 1, Name – Clarified the fact that the Association was formed in 1968 and incorporated under the laws of the state of Florida on October 28, 1985.
- b. Article 3, Code of Ethics – Removed the code from the by-laws and made it a separate document as is the practice with other professional associations such as NIGP, ISM and others. The Board of Directors will approve the code and any changes thereto. It shall govern the conduct of all members of the Association.
- c. Article 5, Officers – Added the words “or Council” to the Minimum Requirements Section to recognize the fact that certifications for officers are acceptable from a universally recognized professional association or Council. This change places the Universal Public Purchasing Certification Council on par with the certification granting professional associations such as ISM, NCMA, etc.
- d. Article 6, Duties of the Officers – Under the Abuse or Violation of Ethics and/or Policy section, deleted reference to individual and added Chairman or Committee Member to those subject to removal for violation of the policies and/or ethics established by the Association.
- e. Article 7, Membership Meeting – Under the Special Meetings Section, clarified procedures for special meetings on urgent matters and allows them to be conducted electronically.
- f. Article 8, Board of Directors – The following changes and or additions were made to this article:
 - (1) The Board was given the authority to establish and revise the Code of Ethics as necessary.
 - (2) The Board’s authority to contract for management services for the Association was clarified.
 - (3) Authorized the voting members to attend meetings via teleconference.
 - (4) Clarified the fact that proxy votes are not authorized.
 - (5) Board of Directors must be personally present or attending via teleconference to vote.
 - (6) The entire section referencing the executive director was deleted.

Motion by Ms. Laudermilk to accept changes was seconded by Ms. Schneider and passed unanimously.

Proposed By-Law Change – Mr. Wetherington submitted proposed by-law changes to the selection process for the AEP Awards Committee and Other Non-FAPPO Committees. He explained to that the by-laws may be changed during a meeting of the membership. He went to say that these changes are necessary to refocus the Association on membership participation and should be considered as one item.

Motion by Mr. Nash and seconded by Mr. Weaver to include both suggested changes as one item was not passed.

Mr. Geltch explained that he certainly agrees that membership should be involved in this process but believes they need more time to study the proposal to ensure that they are fully informed when they act on them. He went on to say that the President must also have the authority to appoint certain representatives.

Motion by Ms. Laudermilk and seconded by Mr. Geltch to separate the two proposed changes.

Vote on Mr. Wetherington’s proposal was five for and an overwhelming number against and it failed.

Mr. Buffington won the Peabody throw and Mr. Meade won the 50-50 contest. Both raised money to support the Norma Showey Fund.

Membership Fee – A membership fee of \$50 was proposed for next year with a late fee of \$10.

Motion by Ms. Geltch to accept the fees was seconded by Ms. Laudermilk and carried unanimously.

