

# Georgia Police Accreditation Coalition General Meeting

April 29, 2005

## I. Call to Order and Welcoming Statements

GPAC's General Meeting was held at the Holiday Inn in Forsyth Georgia.

Dorsey Stover and Chris Lagerbloom were each presented with a plaque of appreciation for their contributions to GPAC during their time as a board member.

## II. Introductions and Recording Attendance

29 members represented 23 agencies. 7 of the 8 board members were present.

## III. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the December meeting were approved.

## IV. Reports

### A. Chairperson's Report

Elections will be held in August. The person receiving the lowest number of votes will serve a one year term. Nominations were opened and the following people were nominated:

Chip Grefski  
Mark Rich  
James Ellis  
Tracy Lambert  
Cindy Ledford  
Leo Scherer  
Chris Lagerbloom  
Rob Garrett

Nominations will be taken at the next two meetings. Candidates will have the chance to make comments during the August meeting prior to the elections.

B. Vice-Chairperson's Report

Mark thanked Rob Garrett for the training on Goals and Objectives at the Thursday afternoon training. GBI Agent Craig Rotter trained on bombs and the response to bombs. Both training sessions were excellent.

C. Secretary's Report

No report.

D. Treasurer's Report

On behalf of Cobb County, Drew Marchetta thanked GPAC for all of its support during their recent successful on-site.

Drew presented financial statements for the meeting. Drew also announced that GPAC will be changing banks from Sun Trust to Wachovia.

E. Web Site Report

No report. Website stats can be reviewed on the website.

F. Outreach Report

The regional support groups in two regions are growing. So far there seems to be little interest in the northern regions or the southwest region.

The June GPAC meeting will be held in Tybee Island. There will be a training session on Thursday and Friday. Mark and Chip will coordinate the training. Hospitality will consist of a Mexican grill and a dolphin boat ride. Transportation will be included. The cost for hospitality will be \$8 per person. Due to limited seating on the boat, the boat ride will be open to the first 42 people. GPAC members may take one guest. Adults only. The cost for the Mexican grille only will be \$5.

G. Mock/On-Site Report

Pam Goddard has stepped down as the Mock Chair. Greg will take letters of interest for the next week and then we will appoint a new Chair.

#### H. Hospitality Report

No report. Hospitality has been great.

#### I. State Certification Report

Mike Mertz has taken over for Richard Darby. The next certification manager course will be held on May 25 in Cherokee County. The next Certification Assessor course will be held in Rome on August 18.

For more information on the certification course, visit the Georgia Chief's website [www.gachiefs.com](http://www.gachiefs.com). Mike can be contacted at 770-495-9650.

The new fee schedule went into effect on January 1, 2005.

#### V. Unfinished Business

#### VI. New Business

The Georgia Chief's are looking at the Certification standards. They are currently through Chapter 4. The changes they have made so far are minimal. They are currently on Chapter 5. Any suggestions for changes should be emailed to Mark Bender at [mtbender@chambleepd.com](mailto:mtbender@chambleepd.com).

#### VII. Adjournment to Training