

 <p>Georgia Assessment Directors' Association</p>	<p>GADA Spring 2024 Meeting Agenda</p> <p>May 13, 2024 10:00 am– 12:00 pm Virtual</p>
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Theme: Challenges and Solutions in Teacher Preparation

Welcome: President Ruchi Himangshu welcomed the group and shared the meeting agenda.

Breakout Sessions: Breakout sessions were held for members followed by sharing examples of action plans, challenges, and solutions. Breakout session topics included: (1) Provisional teachers and challenges in MAT programs to support these teachers and (2) Authentic assessment of dispositions in fully online programs.

Updates from the GaPSC: Dr. Paquita Morgan & Dr. Rebecca Pennington presented on behalf of the PSC.

Topics discussed:

- Topics addressed by the GaPSC this
- Instructions for October 23, 2024 Foundations of reading, literacy and language implementation
- 2024 GaPSC Approval Standards now available on website
- Teacher candidate certificate
- TPMS Reporting Deadlines - deadlines for tracking clinical practice and cert ID of cooperating teacher
- Spring Webinar Series were held this spring on foundations of literacy
- New PPEM Survey response data now available in the EPP Survey Support tool
- Updated list of rules were shared that became effective January 1, 2024
- GaPSC Guide book for traditional field and clinical experiences, March 2024
 - https://www.gapsc.com/EducatorPreparation/Resources/Downloads/GaPSC_Traditional_Clinical_and_Field_Experience_Guide%20Book_March%202024-edited.pdf
 - “Living document” and will have updates periodically
- The GACE Transition - July 1, 2025 - transition from ETS to ES - Evaluation System of Pearson
 - https://www.gapsc.com/educatorpreparation/assessment/latest_on_GACE.aspx
- Conversion Mechanism, no longer available as of June 2023. EPPS offering C&I should consider adding a certification-only option to allow candidates to get credit and have the new field and upgrade on their certificate.
- Reviewer trainings
 - August and September 2024 - train literacy focused reviewers
 - Spring 2025 - reviewers (formerly site visitors) and Reviewer chairs; call for nominations will go out in the fall

- Staff changes at GaPSC provided - when contacting the GaPSC, the Education Specialist should be the first point of contact
- Contact Management System (CMS) - as personnel changes occur these substantive changes need to be updated in CMS so the PSC is aware
- Today, May 13 at 1:00 - Title IV regulations - GACTE hosting info webinar

Business Meeting

Secretary Report: Dr. Michele McKie sent minutes to Mrs. Lewis to post on the website. Minutes from October 23, 2023 were reviewed. A motion by Dr. Hagood, second by Dr. Medlin. No discussion. Minutes approved.

Editor's Report - Mrs. Angela Lewis reminded members that any information received from the PSC, minutes, links, etc. are posted on the website.

Treasurer Report: Dr. Sumi Himangshu sent an electronic report for the meeting. We have a robust balance of ~ \$5200 after paying annual renewal fees of \$36.17 [for the GoDaddy account, \$23.17, renewed January 2024; and the WordPress account, \$13, renewed March 2024].

Note - the GADA Board is in favor of renewing the GoDaddy account for 5 years. However, the bank had issued a new bank card so there were some challenges with making the payment for the GoDaddy account; therefore, we currently renewed only for one year. Going forward, we plan to renew for 5 years at a time.

Dr. Himangshu is in the process of establishing a reliable method with our new university mailing service for receiving GADA payments, as well as looking into whether members can do a direct transfer into our Truist Bank Business Account. Since the cheques are made out to GADA, the cheques often end up at other MGA campuses or to the Office of Finance and take considerable time to make it to me.

Dr. Himangshu will be in touch with our members by early June regarding where members should send invoices.

In the interim, if members are in the year-end rush to send their membership dues before the end of May 2024, they should email Dr. Himangshu when you send the payment. This will prime her to keep a lookout for your check.

Please send your cheque to the following address:
c/o Dr. Sumitra Himangshu-Pennybacker
Department of Teacher Education & Social Work
Macon Campus, TEB #307
Middle Georgia State University
Macon, Georgia 31206

Nomination for Secretary: Please self nominate or nominate someone else. Cyndee Phillips made a nomination for Dr. Michele McKie to continue, but she declined.

Ideas for Fall 2024 meeting: Meet in collaboration with GACTE with a virtual option for those who cannot attend. Please send topics to GADA board members if there are topics you would like us to cover in future meetings.

Motion to adjourn: Dr. Winfred Nweke made a motion to adjourn, Dr. Susan Hagood seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted 05-13-2024 by Dr. Michele McKie.