

October 31, 2001  
GAIT Board Meeting  
Jekyll Island, Georgia

The meeting of the G.A.I.T. board was called to order by President Michele Estes. Those attending were: Kathy Bailey, Ann Grantham, Connie Tibbitts, Maria Savoldi, Gordon Baker, Elizabeth Bennett, Michele Estes, Linda Davis, Jill Davidson, and Ginny Harrell.

The minutes from the April 23, 2001, had been previously approved via electronic communication. The Treasurer,s report was presented by Ann Grantham and was accepted as presented. Total assets are \$33,796.01.  
(copy attached)

Membership: Sadly, Mary Jean Sloan,s health will no longer permit her to continue to chair the Membership Committee. GAIT also greatly appreciates the assistance that Gordon Baker has provided Mary Jean. Michele asked for suggestions for how to thank Mary Jean and to show our appreciation for her dedication to GAIT. Kathy volunteered to assist with membership correspondence and records in the future.

G.A.I.T. Connection and G.A.I.T. Web Site: Louise White will be our webmaster. Web site content may be full articles, links to appropriate sites, and summary articles. Everyone is encouraged to submit information. The membership directory is available online and is password protected. A print copy has been mailed to all members. Our listserv will beavailable to all interested persons in addition to members. To date, Michele has had over fifty requests form individuals that are non-GAIT members who wish to be included.

Media Festival: The board discussed at length the changes in the state media festival initialed by GLMA. Removed from participation in the festival are picture books, photo essays, and radio plays. The GAIT Board is on record supporting reinstatement of these categories. Gordon will discuss options with GLMA or GAIT could consider hosting their own fairs. The membership will be informed and asked to vote for their preference along with their ballot for 2002 officers. The fair could also be an excellent membership recruitment opportunity.

Pre Conference Leadership at COMO: The workshop was most successful with ten attendees.

AECT Conference: GAIT will host a two hour hospitality suite for officers of both organizations and other dignitaries. Robert Harrell has the food for the event well in hand.

COMO Conference Dates: COMO 2002 will be held in Athens on October 9-11. COMO 2003 will be at Jekyll Island.

Slate of Officers: Jane Zahner presented the 2002 slate of officers which

was unanimously accepted by the board to be presented to the membership.  
Jane has done an excellent job. A list of nominees is attached.

GDLA has approached GAIT about offering joint online staff development.  
All agreed the idea should be pursued.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Bailey  
Secretary