

## 2016 Fall GRITS Meeting – Birmingham, AL September 29

Roll Call - Most attendees are here or on the phone.

Rebecca Royen - here and present talking about IT marketing and a new website platform.

## **Officers Report:**

Laura Hartley, President – Workshop went well – nice turnout, pleased for this workshop. ITS America Recap.

Erik Smith, Vice President -No update

Jake Wimberly, Secretary – No update

Diane Hammonds, Treasurer – Handouts on budget; budget wise, the chapter is where it needs to be. \$113, 058.28 in the bank. Chapter hasn't gone under 100 – thousand dollars in over three/four years. Discussions on what to do with our money, tax codes, etc.

Wayne Curry, Past President – no update

## **Committee Reports**

Communications – Kim Taylor/Acey Roberts – Kim working on the next newsletter for the trade show in Baton Rouge. Looking to add stories from all three states, as well as academic information and more.

Website - Materials - Diane Hammonds placing an order for shirts for the board and pens are ordered.

Memberships - Deborah Leo -We are at 173 members as of today.

Status of Municipal outreach. - Four registered to this point. Still shooting for ten members.

NOTE: IMSA IS NOT ON THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING AND THE PLUG HAS BEEN PULLED IN REGARDS TO THEIR INVOLVEMENT.

Laura will be speaking on November 3<sup>rd</sup> in Canton at the CAVS Meeting (free dinner).

Academics – Jake Wimberly –Have 10 scholarship applicants. Sent out to several for grading to award. Plan to have winners come to the meeting. Announcing winners on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October.



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TIMS - John Gilligan - no update BUT good visit to the Pearl River Valley Authority Facility.

Past Presidents Council – Wayne Curry – Working on president, elections and more. Discussing who is nominated for what and where there are run offs and voting.

Election Buddy is the website that will be used for this year's election. True Grit award nominees to be accepted starting next week (October 1, 2017).

Still have more space available for annual meeting and vendors.

ANNUAL MEETING IS COMING TOGETHER – EVERYTHING SEEMS TO BE ON TRACK AND READY TO GO FOR NOVEMBER.

2017 WINTER WORK SHOP – JANUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> AND 16<sup>TH</sup>.. LIKE ALWAYS, GOING AROUND, TOURING THE VENUE. AGENDA WILL BE PUT TOGETHER BEFORE HAND. THIS WILL BE IN FLORENCE, AL.

**ANNUAL MEETING WILL BE OCTOVER 1-4 IN 2017.** 

MEETING ANOUNCEMENT AND EXIBITOR REGISTRATION WILL BE UP ON WEBSITE BY BATON ROUGE MEETING.