

**Georgia Municipal Clerks Association  
Virtual Board Meeting  
February 5, 2024  
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM**

**Call To Order and Comments**

President Russell called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.

**Roll Call:**

The roll call was given by Vice President Walker-Reed with the following members in attendance:

Regina Russell, President	Sandra Haggard, District 5 (absent)
Deborah Walker-Reed, Vice President	Telina Allred, District 6 (absent)
Vernice C. Thompson, Treasurer	Kim Reddick, District 7
Sharon Nelson, Secretary	Margaret Shelley – District 8 (absent)
Melissa Chosewood, District 1	Angie Conner, District 9 (absent)
Marilyn Chastain, District 2	Melinda Crook, District 10 (absent)
Shavala Ames, District 3	Christina Evans, District 11 (absent)
Richard McCoy, District 4	Naomi Atkinson, District 12
	Vicki Wainwright, Immediate Past President

**Others**

Pam Helton, GMA  
Sherri Bailey, GMA

**Approval of Minutes**

Secretary Nelson presented the January 17, 2024, minutes. Naomi Atkinson made a motion to approve the minutes. Richard McCoy gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

**Financial Report**

Treasurer Thompson presented the financial report through November 2023, noting that we were just over 50% of our expenditures and have achieved over 150% of projected revenues. Richard McCoy made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Naomi Atkinson gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

**IIMC Report**

President Russell reminded everyone of the upcoming IIMC Annual Conference in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, May 19-22 and the scholarships available for assistance in attending. A reminder was given for the IIMC Region III Conference scheduled for February 27 – March 1.

**CVIOG Report**

Christina Collins was unavailable to present the report.

**GMA Update**

Pam Helton gave introductions of GMA members in attendance at the conference. She reminded everyone to review the Monday emails that provide everything that is going on with GMA. A reminder was given of the Small Cities Conference being held May 1-3 in Carrolton.

### **Committee Reports**

- A. Naomi Atkinson, Co-Chair of the Scholarship committee came forward and gave the Bill Cain Scholarship report noting that the nominating committee awarded the scholarship to Courtney Chavers of Bainbridge, GA.
- B. Vice-President Walker-Reed gave the election committee report noting that current bi-laws require everyone in the State to vote.
- C. Vicki Wainwright announced that the Nominating Committee had recommended, and the Executive Committee and Board of Directors had approved the slate of District Directors and Officers as follows:
  - a. District 2: Jackie Yearwood, Franklin Springs
  - b. District 4: Susan Bartholomew, Griffin
  - c. District 6: Telina Allred, Byron
  - d. District 8: Margaret Shelly, Vienna
  - e. District 10: Malinda Crook, Blakely
  - f. District 12: Naomi Atkinson, Brunswick
  - g. District 3 Unexpired term: Shavala Ames, College Park

The nominating committee received only one nomination for secretary which was submitted to the Executive Committee and Board of Directors for approval. Marilyn Chastain, District 2, from the City of Helen will serve as Secretary of GMCA.

GMCA Officers serving for one year, 2024-2025, were submitted as follows:

- a. Past President Regina Russell, Acworth
  - b. President Deborah Walker Reed, St. Mary's
  - c. Vice President Vernice Thompson, Hazelhurst
  - d. Treasurer Sharon Nelson, Calhoun
  - e. Secretary Marily Chastain, Helen
- D. President Russell administered the Oath of Office to the District Directors and Officers in attendance at the meeting.

### **Adjourn**

President Elect Walker-Reed gave the closing comments and the meeting adjourned at 12:45 PM.

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Regina Russell, President

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Sharon Nelson, Secretary