

February Meeting
GGPA
Minutes
February 28, 2017

Welcome

Introductions

Speaker Summary - Craig Dominey, Creator and Manager of the State of Georgia's Camera Ready Program.

The State Film Office, goes back to 1973 with Deliverance. Craig showed a video compilation of the many film and tv projects in GA. His job is to attract film and tv projects to GA. The office provides resources for crews, diverse locations, and more. A skilled workforce and a 30% state tax credit are part of the attraction. To date, 245 productions have a huge economic impact. State formed GA film Academy to train workforce. Near Pinewood in Fayette County. Partners with studios and productions. Industrial buildings were transitioned to sound stages/studio space. New stages beyond Riverwood, include Pinewood, Tyler Perry/Fort MacPherson and more. Marvel is using Pinewood. Industrial buildings transitioned to studio spaces/sound stages. Camera Ready program has county representative for each county as a film liaison. Location scouting is a big deal -photo database. There is also the Real Scout private database of 6000 photos. Film tourism is a developing economic powerhouse.

Questions: How does this affect nonprofits? East Point benefitted from a recent production. What about early training in high schools? Maybe the State Film Academy. What about traffic and transportation issues? Generally production offices are near shooting locations.

Chapter Business

1. Minutes - Approved
2. Treasure's Report - \$5948.xx
3. SRGC
 - a. Early Bird Registration is \$199 and ends 3/31.
 - b. Hotel block reserved at \$105/night.
 - c. Still working on speakers, funder's panel.
 - d. Sponsorships will be available.
 - e. Need Volunteers
 - f. Suggestions for Marketing to Organizations
 - g. GPA grant to offset conference costs.
4. We probably should not charge for ads on GGPA website and need to develop reciprocal arrangements with related organizations.
5. International Grant Professionals Week/Day is March
6. Question about advocacy and legislatures. GPA national level does have an advocacy role. Wash DC chapter takes the lead, but the GPA board discussing this now.
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