

GSFA AUXILIARY

Notice of Suspension

The status of the GSFA Auxiliary has been in question for several years as it has changed from a full-fledged, empowered auxiliary to a committee. The Board thought changing the auxiliary to committee status would give them an opportunity to regroup and get back on track with their mission and purpose as outlined in the GSFA bylaws. Obviously this did not work.

After the 2009 conference the Board, at Thad Dixon's request, decided that then-President Dixon would take over the auxiliary, move it away from administration by the GSFA Office, and work to get them back on track. Thad said he would develop some proposed guidelines for the Auxiliary and bring them back for consideration by the Board, and should have them on track by the 2010 conference. To make a long story short, the Auxiliary did not appear at the 2010 conference and no auxiliary functions were included as part of the conference. The auxiliary issue was never addressed again until this year.

At the July 2011 Board meeting the Auxiliary status was again addressed. Thad advised the board that unfortunately he had not had any success in trying to find someone who was interested in handling the Auxiliary. After a long discussion about available options for the continued viability of the auxiliary in its current form, or in any form, **it was decided by the board, under unanimous consent, that all activities and functions of the Auxiliary would be suspended.**

Reactivation of an auxiliary of some type would be considered by the board upon petition of a group who would be interested in having an auxiliary again. **However, the auxiliary in its current form is suspended.** If and when a petition might be made for the board to revisit the reinstatement of the auxiliary, the board will take into full consideration a comprehensive reorganization plan, and vote based on the soundness of that plan to ensure benefit of the association and its membership in accordance with the by-laws of the GSFA.

Therefore, as of July 11, 2011, all GSFA Auxiliary functions have been suspended.