**GSSA Meeting Agenda**

**August 29, 2011**

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| Welcome & Introductions  *Sally Creel, GSSA President* |  |
| GSSA Dues & Treasurer’s Report  *Sharon Boyer, GSSA Treasurer* |  |
| US Communities  *Sean Nichols, Fischer Scientific* | *Thank you for Breakfast!* |
| DOE Report  *Juan Carlos Agular, GA DOE*  *Listen to pod* | 1. AYP & Science 2. STEM Festivals 3. State Assessment Data Analysis (EOCT, CRCT, etc.) 4. Graduation Requirements Updates 5. Next Generation Science Standards Update 6. Other |
| GSTA Conference  *Kelly Price, GSTA President*  Dates Feb. 16-18, 2012 in Atlanta @ The Hyatt downtown  Presentation Deadline – Sept. 30, 2011  [*http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/GSTA2012*](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/GSTA2012) | 1. GSTA 2. Conference Overview/Info 3. Awards Keynote Speaker – Dr. Stephen Pruitt @ GA Aquarium 4. GSSA Strand Topic – Connecting the Pieces of the AYP Puzzle – Strategies and Resources to help 3-8 meet AYP. Our focus will be to address    1. “Time” for science in 3-5 w/ emphasis on embedding content to help ES teachers feel more comfortable.    2. “Data” using it effectively to impact student learning for 6-8 – Goal is to focus on cross cutting themes and show how data can be used. |
| NSTA Regional Conference  *Karol Stephens, Local Arrangements Chair* | 1. NSTA Regional – Dates November 1-3, 2012 @ Atlanta GWC 2. Local Arrangements Committees – Karol needs some volunteers! 3. Other |
| Science Support Ideas for 3-8 Schools & Administrators | See Kim’s Notes |
| PASCO  *Holly Vida, PASCO Sales Rep* | These are links to free info and training on how to use PASCO probes in your schools. Great free PD for those who have these in their schools.  <http://pascocast.libsyn.com/>  <http://www.youtube.com/user/pascoscientific?blend=7&ob=5> |
| GA Science Olympiad  *Kelly Price, GA SO Director* |  |
| Up Coming Meeting Dates |  |

What’s Working - ☺

Problems we see

3-5 & 6-8

Potential Session Topics

Suggested Resources

In a perfect world…