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**Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance
Ames Chapter #158
Membership Meeting
March 18, 2015**

Call to Order:

The March Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Theresa Samson at 7:37 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18, 2015, at The Iowa Stater Restaurant in Ames, IA. Those in attendance were members: Barbara Bennett, Linda Borst, Elizabeth Bruns, Carla Danielson, Jan Duffy, Karen Jacobson, Annmarie Kurtenbach, Marilyn Moehlmann, Margaret Munson, Lisa Palmersheim, Theresa Samson, Kayla Sander, Cindy Sippel, Jaimie Williamson, and Sara Kolbe.

A quorum was present.

Agenda:

President Theresa Samson noted that two additional items needed to be added to the agenda under New Business. Those were 25th Anniversary and the AFWA Springfield Conference. Motion made to adopt the revised agenda, motion seconded, motion carried.

Minutes:

The February minutes were available for all to read. Motion made that the February minutes be approved, motion seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Ann Kurtenbach handed out the February 2015 treasurer's report. The balance in the General Account as of 2/28/15 is \$7,971.57. The balance in the Scholarship Account as of 2/28/15 is \$1,952.33. Interest income was reported for both the General Account and Scholarship Account in February. \$13.58 in speaker meal expenses were also paid from the General Account. The report was placed on file for review.

Committee Reports:

A. Membership:

- a.) Elizabeth Bruns reported that we currently have 34 members on our member spreadsheet, including a new member from Houston, TX that is in error.
- b.) Margaret Munson reported that we actually have 31 members, subtracting out lapsed members and the two members from Texas.
- c.) We have one new member: Marin Felz from Edward Jones in Ames.

- B. Program:
 - a.) Our April meeting will include a program on Social Security.
 - b.) In May, the Story County Assessor will present a program on property taxes, assessment process, and the appeal process. The May meeting will be held at Hertz Farm Management in Nevada and Hickory Park will be catered in.
 - c.) Cindy is working on the June program.
- C. Bulletin: No Report
- D. Scholarship:
 - a.) The scholarship committee received six applications. The scholarship committee recommended Sarah Olson to receive a \$2,000 scholarship. Margaret Munson moved and Marilyn Moehlmann seconded a motion to approve the committee's recommendation. The motion passed.
 - b.) AFWA Chapters can now recommend more than one individual for a graduate and undergraduate scholarship. The scholarship committee recommended to send 3 scholarship applicants to National for scholarship consideration: Sarah Olson (graduate scholarship), Kylee King (undergraduate scholarship), and Katelynn Pringets (undergraduate scholarship). Margaret Munson moved and Jan Duffy seconded a motion to approve the committee's recommendation. The motion passed.
 - c.) Ann Kurtenbach said the scholarship committee will be making recommendations to National to change the financial section of the National scholarship application. These recommendations will be given to Karen Jacobson to present to the National scholarship committee.

Old Business:

- A. None

New Business:

- A. Vote on Changes to Chapter Standing Rules: No discussion, this was voted on at last month's meeting.
- B. Vote on Changes to Chapter Bylaws: Cindy moved to accept proposed changes to our Chapter's Bylaws as presented in the bulletin. Karen seconded, motion carried.
- C. 2015-2016 Slate of Officers: The Nominating committee presented the proposed slate of officers for the 2015-2016 year. The committee thanks everyone who has agreed to serve.
- D. Focus Groups: Focus group was held after the meeting adjourned.
- E. 25th Anniversary Celebration: Karen Jacobson, Jan Duffy, Margaret Munson, and Margaret Moehlmann volunteered to be on a 25th Anniversary Celebration committee.
- F. Springfield Conference: A regional conference will be held from June 10-12 in Springfield, MO. The registration is \$365 and it is \$99/night for a room. Karen Jacobson is planning to attend and if anyone would like to join her, please let her know. Also, if anyone wants to put together a silent auction gift, Karen will bring it with her.

Announcements: None

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jaimie Williamson, Secretary