



# Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance

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## Ames Chapter

Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance  
Ames Chapter #158  
Membership Meeting  
February 15, 2017

### Call to Order:

The February Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Jaimie Williamson at 7:43 p.m. on Wednesday, February 15, 2017, at The Iowa Stater in Ames, Iowa. Those in attendance were members: Ann Kurtenbach, Margaret Munson, Kayla Sander, Lisa Palmersheim, Theresa Samson, Jaimie Williamson, Cindy Sippel, Jan Duffy, Cheryl Carlile, and Becky Musselman.

A quorum was present.

### Minutes:

Cindy Sippel moved that the minutes of the November meeting be approved as published in the February bulletin. The motion was seconded by Cheryl Carlile. Motion carried.

### Treasurer's Report:

Catherine Mulder provided the materials for Ann Kurtenbach to present the Treasurer's Report. The November, December, and January reports were handed out. The balance in the General Account as of November 30, 2016, is \$7,274.88. The balance in the Scholarship Account as of November 30, 2016, is \$2,098.30 with an unrestricted balance of \$2,098.30.

The balance in the General Account as of December 31, 2016, is \$7,275.18. The balance in the Scholarship Account as of December 31, 2016, is \$5,598.46 with an unrestricted balance of \$2,998.46.

The balance in the General Account as of January 31, 2017, is \$7,275.48. The balance in the Scholarship Account as of January 31, 2017, is \$5,598.69 with an unrestricted balance of \$2,998.69.

The reports will be placed on file for review.

### Committee Reports:

#### A. Membership:

1. Margaret Munson set up a list of networking lunches which were posted in the February bulletin.
2. Jan Duffy discussed possible efforts to recruit college students and young professionals. One idea was to reach out to the student organization Collegiate Women in Business (CWIB) at Iowa State University. Another possibility would be to reach out to the Young Professionals of Ames (YPA) group.
3. Jan Duffy reported that the meeting date survey results indicated no better date for our monthly meetings. Margaret Munson moved that the Ames chapter meeting date remain

the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month. The motion was seconded by Lisa Palmersheim. Motion carried.

B. Program:

1. The upcoming program duties/plans are as follows:  
**March** – Cheryl Carlile will plan – Kristie Maitre to discuss tax updates (Iowa Stater)  
**April** – Karen Jacobson will plan – Self Defense w/ Ames Police (Iowa Stater)  
**May** – Libby Almond will plan – Retirement Planning  
**June** – Lisa Palmersheim will plan

2. Ann Kurtenbach requested that the person who schedules the speaker each month also takes responsibility for calling the restaurant the day before the meeting to confirm the reservation and all technical needs for the presentation.

C. Bulletin:

1. Margaret Munson reported that the February 2017 bulletin was originally sent out listing the date as January 2017. She corrected the date on the bulletin before posting it to the chapter website. Any member who would like an updated copy may find it there.

D. Scholarship:

1. The scholarship committee reported that they had not received any scholarship applications. One email was received by the committee on February 15, 2017 from a student interested in the Beverly M. Wandling scholarship. Nothing had been received for the Kathleen M Strum memorial scholarship. Theresa Samson moved that the scholarship application deadlines for both scholarships be moved to March 1, 2017. The motion was seconded by Margaret Munson. Motion carried. Kayla Sander is responsible for distributing scholarship information and updated deadline to Iowa State University accounting faculty and for posting to Blackboard at Iowa State for all undergraduate and graduate accounting majors. Cheryl Carlile is responsible for contacting ISU scholarships. Margaret Munson is responsible for updating the chapter website with the new deadline.

E. Social Media:

1. Lisa Palmersheim reported that due to busy schedules, the social media committee has not been able to meet yet, but will plan to meet in a couple of months.

Old Business:

A. Founders Day Award

1. The chapter would like to congratulate Jan Duffy on receiving the Founders Day Award! Cindy Sippel presented Jan with the award and read the very nice nomination that was submitted on her behalf. Thank you for all you do for our group Jan!

B. AFWA National Bylaw Amendments

1. Jamie Williamson reminded the chapter of the three national bylaw amendments that were recently passed. These amendments can be found in the email sent to each member from National. Margaret stated that these changes will go into effect July 1<sup>st</sup> and suggested that our chapter decide on how this will impact our chapter bylaws before that date. Margaret Munson and Cindy Sippel volunteered to create a proposal of chapter bylaw amendments to move forward.

C. Treasurer's Workshop Committee

1. The chapter decided on not holding a workshop this year.

New Business:

A. 2017-2018 Nominating Committee & Chair

1. Lisa Palmersheim will serve as the nominating committee chair as past president. Jan Duffy volunteered to serve on the committee. An outreach is to be made to Karen Jacobson for possible willingness to serve on this committee. If any member is interested in serving in a specific role, please don't hesitate to reach out to the committee!

Announcements:

A. 2017-2018 National Membership Dues- Starting July 1, 2017

Regular Member: \$199

Affiliate Member: \$199

Associate Member: \$99

Student Member: \$45 (pending proposed bylaw change)

Retired Member: \$75

Member Emeritus: \$0

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kayla Sander, Secretary