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Ames Chapter #158
Membership Meeting
August 17, 2016

Call to Order:

The August Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Jaimie Williamson at 7:18 p.m. on Wednesday, August 17, 2016, at Battlecry Iowa Smokehouse in Ames, Iowa. Those in attendance were members: Ann Kurtenbach, Margaret Munson, Jan Duffy, Kayla Sander, Lisa Palmersheim, Theresa Samson, Marilyn Moehlmann, Jaimie Williamson, Cindy Sippel, Karen Jacobson, Elizabeth (Bruns) Almond, Catherine Mulder, and Brenda O'Neall-Smith. Guest Wei Wang was also in attendance.

A quorum was present.

Minutes:

Karen Jacobson moved that the minutes of the July planning meeting be approved as published in the August bulletin. The motion was seconded by Cindy Sippel. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Catherine Mulder presented the Treasurer's Reports. The June and July reports were handed out.

The balance in the General Account as of June 30, is \$8,626.14. The balance in the Scholarship Account as of June 30, is \$1,434.35 with an unrestricted balance of \$234.35.

The balance in the General Account as of July 31, is \$7,288.01. The balance in the Scholarship Account as of July 31, is \$3,597.90 with an unrestricted balance of \$2,397.90.

The reports will be placed on file for review.

Meeting was suspended at 7:25 p.m.

Meeting resumed at 7:40 p.m.

Committee Reports:

A. Membership:

1. Jan Duffy reported that we currently have 21 active members.
2. After review of the surveys, it is likely our monthly meeting time will change to the 3rd Tuesday of each month. This change is expected to take effect in February. An announcement will be made when this is finalized.
3. Guest, Wei Wang was introduced.

B. Program:

1. Jan Duffy distributed a proposed delegation of host and program coordinator duties. Minor changes were made, and the final version is posted on our chapter website.

http://amesafwa.org/ChapterDocuments/Checklist_for_Arranging_a_Program.pdf

2. The following plans for programs were discussed:

September – Kate

October – DM Meeting

November – Margaret

December – Holiday Party

January – No meeting

February –

March – Cindy

April –

May – Libby – Retirement Planning

C. Bulletin:

1. Cindy Sippel had nothing to report.

D. Scholarship:

1. Karen Jacobson announced that she has been working with Penny Strum on a scholarship in honor of her mother and past chapter member, Kathleen M. Strum. Kathy was a very dear member of our chapter who provided great leadership, empowerment, and service within the group. This would be a \$1,000 scholarship applied toward the recipient's college education with set criteria designated by Penny. It has the potential of becoming a continuing scholarship. Margaret Munson and Karen Jacobson made an application for the scholarship. Jan Duffy moved to move forward with this opportunity. The motion was seconded by Libby Bruns. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- A. No old business

New Business:

A. 2016-2017 Proposed Budget

1. Kate Mulder presented the 2016-2017 Proposed Budget. There was discussion on hosting another CPE conference in the coming year, and it was proposed that a committee be formed for the conference planning. Margaret Munson moved that the budget be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Lisa Palmersheim. Motion carried. The budget will be placed on file for review.

B. Delegates for AFWA Annual Business Meeting (2) – Thursday, October 27th in Denver, Colorado

1. Cindy Sippel moved to make Karen Jacobson and Kate Mulder both delegates and alternates on behalf of our chapter at the AFWA Annual Business Meeting. The motion was seconded by Margaret Munson. Motion carried.

C. Social Media Committee

1. Lisa Palmersheim proposed the formation of a social media committee within our chapter. Lisa offered to lead this committee as part of a Toastmasters initiative. She has identified the need to market to younger and new members. This committee would be used to

evaluate how social media could be used to aide in this marketing. Ideally, the committee would consist of an additional 2-3 members. Libby Bruns and Kayla Sander volunteered to serve on the committee. Committee work is expected to kick off in October.

D. Founders Day Award Nominations

1. Chapter President, Jaimie Williamson, announced that she has received two nominations for the chapter's Founders Day Award. Jaimie will contact the chapter for volunteers to serve on the award committee. The committee will need to choose a recipient and determine the award itself. If anyone else would like to submit additional nominations for the award, please send those to Jaimie. The award will be given in November.

Announcements:

- A. No announcements

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kayla Sander, Secretary