



# Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance

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## Ames Chapter

Ames Chapter #158  
Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance  
Membership Meeting Minutes  
July 14, 2020 and July 21, 2020

The event was held as a Zoom meeting with 9 people in attendance. The meeting was called to order by President, Margaret Munson at 6:43 pm. Those in attendance were Cheryl Carlile, Jan Duffy, Karen Jacobson, Ann Kurtenbach, Catherine (Kate) Mulder, Margaret Munson, Lisa Palmershein, Kayla Sanders, and Cindy Sippel. A quorum was present.

### Minutes

Jan Duffy moved we approve the minutes of the June 2020 membership meeting as printed in the bulletin. Cindy Sippel seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

### Treasurer's report

Cindy Sippel reported a balance in the general fund of \$6,765.67 and \$5,832.80 in the scholarship fund. Of the scholarship fund, \$3,600.00 is restricted for the Kathleen M Strum scholarship and \$1,000.00 for the current scholarship winner. The remaining balance is unrestricted. The Treasurer's report will be placed on file for review.

### New Business

#### 2020-2021 Chapter Planning

Margaret Munson reviewed the goals of the prior year:

1. Net 2 growth in membership. We did not achieve this goal, instead ended the year with a net loss of 3 members.
2. Continuing education of 6-8 hours. This goal was met with 8 CPE meetings.
3. Informal goal of increasing membership involvement. With loss of members, remaining members have been involved.

President Munson asked for suggestions of goal for the coming year. Suggested:

1. Membership growth of net 2 members.

The meeting was suspended at 6:56 pm due to weather issues.

#### Meeting reconvened July 21, 2020 at 6:35 pm:

The July planning meeting reconvened as a Zoom meeting with 8 people in attendance. The meeting was called back to order by President, Margaret Munson at 6:35 pm. Those in

attendance were Cheryl Carlile, Jan Duffy, Karen Jacobson, Catherine (Kate) Mulder, Margaret Munson, Lisa Palmershein, Kayla Sanders, and Cindy Sippel. A quorum was present.

### **Treasurer's report**

Cindy Sippel presented a budget for the upcoming year with income based on 17 regular members and 2 retired members' dues. Expenses remained similar to last year with small reduction for meeting room costs. Cindy suggested we remove the October meeting cost of \$50. Karen Jacobson moved we approve the budget with Cindy's adjustment. Catherine Mulder seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### **New Business**

#### 2020-2021 Chapter Planning

##### Programs discussion and suggestions:

August – Stephanie Roscoe – Rewards & challenges of Business Ownership  
September – Iowa Workforce Development – unemployment benefits during  
Covid  
October – Des Moines chapter Joint meeting – check if we have it in person  
November – Economic impact of PPP and unemployment payments – Peter  
Orazel  
December – Holiday party  
January – no meeting  
February and March – Diversity and Inclusion  
Group Discussion on selected reading  
April - Danfoss tour  
May – Jim Summers – Negotiating - (invite Young Professionals Group of Ames)  
June –

- Goals:
1. Membership growth of net 2 members.
  2. Continuing education of 8 hours

Scholarship Schedule: Discussed moving scholarship to fall award rather than spring. Karen Jacobson moved we continue the scholarship as in the past and review changing it next year at our planning meeting. Cheryl Carlile seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Business Meeting Schedule: Margaret Munson opened discussion about meeting format with Covid. With Zoom meetings, do we need business meetings every month? Consensus of members was to have business meetings and continue same timing format for meetings of 5:30 pm social, 6 pm program and 7 pm business meeting.

### **Announcements**

Margaret Munson announced the website has been transferred to Jaimie Williamson and she has already been updating it.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine (Kate) Mulder