



# Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance

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## Ames Chapter

Ames Chapter #158  
Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance  
Membership Meeting Minutes  
May 11, 2021

The monthly meeting was held May 11, 2021 as a Zoom meeting with 9 people in attendance. The meeting was called to order by President, Margaret Munson at 6:53 pm. Those in attendance were Cheryl Carlile, Carla Danielson, Jan Duffy, Karen Jacobson, Catherine (Kate) Mulder, Margaret Munson, Lisa Palmersheim, Kayla Sander, and Cindy Sippel. A quorum was present.

### **Minutes**

Cindy Sippel moved we approve the April 2021 meeting minutes as printed in the bulletin. Jan Duffy seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

### **Treasurer's report**

Cindy Sippel presented the Treasurer's report. Cindy has updated the report to show scholarships payable of \$3,000. Cindy noted that \$1,500 of the scholarship awards were paid in May to Audrey Wagner. The chapter has a balance in the general fund of \$6,955.77 and \$6,783.21 in the scholarship fund. Of the scholarship fund, \$3,600.00 is restricted for the Kathleen M Strum scholarship and \$3,000 is payable for current year scholarships essentially spending almost all the funds.

The Treasurer's report will be placed on file for chapter inspection.

### **Committee Reports**

*Membership* Margaret still working with National to get count corrected; we have 20 members but the website shows 22 members. Jan Duffy will be sending out a networking lunch invite this month.

*Programs* – Kayla reported next month Jan Duffy will be leading a discussion on diversity and inclusion. Jan requested members send her any articles that could be used for chapter reading and discussion. After discussion, it was agreed to wait until June to determine if our July planning meeting will be in person or virtually. In further discussion, the chapter agreed to have the October joint meeting with the Des Moines chapter but decide later whether it will be virtual or in-person.

*Bulletin* – Watch for Jaimie's emails for bulletin information.

*Scholarship* – As Audrey Wagner could not attend tonight for her scholarship award, we will schedule her for a presentation in June or July. Evelyn Castillo has not responded to additional contacts regarding her scholarship presentation. Audrey Wagner requested her scholarship be paid for summer school and it was paid in May.

*Publicity* – No report

*Webmaster* –No report.

### **Old Business**

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a. *National Dues Simplicity Subcommittee*

Margaret Munson reported there was a meeting a couple of weeks ago. The process is moving forward slowly. National has added a note at the beginning of the on-line application process notifying applicants that chapter dues will be added to the amount due. National is hoping to have a solution by July 2022 **that will enable all dues to renew on June 30. The coordinated dues renewal date was previously** as voted on by the membership. If they move forward in setting tiers of chapter dues, Margaret noted our chapter would probably be in the lowest tier of dues. Margaret would like to have chapter members give feedback about what would be a maximum level acceptable.

**New Business**

- a. Member of the Year nominations. Cheryl Carlilie, as Vice-President, will chair the committee. Jan Duffy volunteered to serve on the committee. Nominations are open and should be sent to Cheryl Carlilie at [cdcarlilie@mchsi.com](mailto:cdcarlilie@mchsi.com) by June 1, 2021.
- b. At our June meeting, we need to look at our by-laws and standing rules to review our terms of service.

**Announcements**

a. Events from National:

- Member benefit free CPE | Ultra High Net Worth Strategies for CSuite/Business Owners – Brian Bohn | May 12 at 1-4pm EDT (3 CPE credits)
- Chapter Chat: “Think outside the box!” | May 25, 2021 12:00PM EDT
- Member benefit free CPE | Ethics – Gary Blumish | June 8 at 2pm EST | Registration coming soon
- AFWA Connect.Advance.Lead. Conference | June 17-18, 2021
- AFWA Board and Foundation Board Installation | June 17 at 6:30pm EST | Register now!
- 2021 Women Who Count Conference | Oct. 20-22

b. Other - none

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.