

Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance CONNECT · ADVANCE · LEAD Ames Chapter

> Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance Ames Chapter #158 Membership Meeting Minutes July 13, 2021

The monthly membership meeting was held July 13, 2021, with six attendees through Zoom and three in person. The meeting was called to order by President, Cheryl Carlile at 6:38 pm. Those in attendance were Cheryl Carlile, Carla Danielson, Jan Duffy, Karen Jacobson, Catherine (Kate) Mulder, Margaret Munson, Lisa Palmersheim, Cindy Sippel, and Jenny Sturgill. A quorum was present.

## Minutes

Margaret Munson moved and Jan Duffy seconded that approval of June minutes be postponed until they are printed in the bulletin. Motion carried.

## **Treasurer's report**

Cindy Sippel presented the Treasurer's report. The chapter has a balance in the general fund of \$6,982.70 and \$5,283.30 in the scholarship fund. Of the scholarship fund, \$3,600.00 is restricted for the Kathleen M Strum scholarship and \$1,500 is payable for 2020-2021 scholarships essentially spending almost all the funds.

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

# **Committee Reports**

*Membership* Margaret Munson and Cindy Sippel reported that we have 19 active members.

#### **Old Business**

a. *Bylaws:* Proposed changes to the chapter bylaws were sent to members on June 8. The revision is:

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS Section 7.

(CURRENT)

No officer shall be eligible to serve more than two [2] consecutive terms in the same office.

#### (PROPOSED)

Every attempt will be made to fill officer positions so that no officer shall serve more than two [2] consecutive terms in the same office. However, due to the limited number of active members, any officer position, except the Treasurer, may be filled with a member who has already served two [2] consecutive terms in the same office. Karen Jacobson moved to approve the proposed bylaw change subject to approval by National. Cindy Sippel seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Margaret Munson will send the revision to National for their approval

- *b. Presentation of a President's pin to Past President Margaret Munson* Since Margaret was attending virtually, she will receive the physical pin at a later date.
- c. Member of the Year Deferred to a future meeting

## **New Business**

- a. Budget Cindy Sippel presented a proposed 2021-2022 budget. The General Fund Budget proposed \$351.50 in income and \$705 in expenses. The Scholarship Fund Budget proposed \$2001.50 in income and \$2,800 in expenses. It was suggested that references to the Treasurers Workshop and the Projector/Screen be removed as line items. Jan Duffy moved that the budget be approved with formatting changes. Kate Mulder seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.
- b. Program Planning
  - 1. Contact businesses in the area to get contacts for a recruitment meeting.
  - 2. Program Topic Suggestions
    - *i.* Robert's Rules of Order
    - *ii. Diversity* several possible speakers were suggested
    - iii. Business Communication
    - iv. Small Business Development Corporation
    - v. Excel
    - vi. Data Visualization
    - vii. Jamie Pollard
    - viii. Compilation and Reporting
    - ix. Data Security
    - x. Speaker from the FBI
    - xi. Negotiation
    - xii. Not-for-profit accounting, forms of organization
  - 3. Survey members regarding preference for virtual or in-person meetings.
  - 4. Designate one meeting as a joint meeting with Young Professionals.
- *c. Goals* Two goals were proposed. Cindy Sippel moved that the following two goals be adopted for the 2021–2022 chapter year. Karen Jacobson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
  - 1. Membership Net increase of 2 members, to a total of 21.
  - 2. CPE 8 hours of CPE

# Announcements

#### Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.