

Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance

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Ames Chapter #158
Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance
Membership Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2024

Call to Order:

The May Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by Vice President Lisa Palmersheim at 7:09 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at Old Chicago in Ames, Iowa. Those in attendance were members Kate Mulder, Lisa Palmersheim, Kayla Sander, Annmarie Kurtenbach, Margaret Munson, Karen Jacobson, Jenny Sturgill, Cheryl Carlile, and Cindy Sippel. A quorum was present.

Amendment to Agenda

Karen made a motion to add an item to the agenda – discussion of the chapter's future. Margaret seconded the motion which was approved.

Minutes

Cheryl made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 2024 membership meeting as printed in the bulletin. Jenny seconded the motion that was approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Cheryl distributed the January, February, March, and April financial reports. The balance in the general fund is \$5,101.88. The scholarship fund has a balance of \$4,139.56. Of this balance, \$2,350 is restricted for the Kathy Strum scholarship and the remaining balance of \$1,789.56 is available for the Beverly Wandling Memorial Scholarship. The Treasurer's Report will be placed on file for review.

Committee Reports:

Membership/Publicity:

No report. We set the date for the July Networking lunch which will be July 2.

Programs:

No report. We will not have a program for the June meeting.

Newsletter:

No report.

Scholarship:

We will get the scholarship applications updated by early August and get them to Jenny and Kayla so they can get them to students early in the semester. The committee will review the Kathy Strum application to see if we need to talk to Penny about any updates.

Webmaster:

No report.

Old Business:

2024-2025 Nominating Committee

After discussion by the members, the following slate of officers was presented:

President Jenny Sturgill
Vice President Cheryl Carlile
Secretary Margaret Munson
Treasurer Cindy Sippel

Programs Jenny Sturgill/Kayla Sander Program Coordinator Annmarie Kurtenbach

Scholarship Lisa Palmersheim, Cheryl Carlile, Cindy Sippel

Past President Carla Danielson
Bulletin Margaret Munson
Webmaster Margaret Munson

Karen moved that we accept the slate of officers by unanimous consent. Cheryl seconded the motion which was approved.

New Business:

Outstanding Member Award

Margaret moved and Kayla seconded a motion that Cheryl Carlile be awarded the Outstanding Member of the Year award. The motion was approved.

Future of the Chapter

After a lengthy discussion by the members, our group is leaning toward becoming the Ames network with members belonging to the virtual chapter. Karen will notify National and invite them to the June meeting with will be either June 11 or 12. We discussed asking about giving scholarship fund to the Des Moines chapter, if any remain. The transition from chapter to network would happen during the forthcoming year.

Announcements:

Founder's Day Award

The Founder's Day Award was presented to Kate Mulder who was thanked for her dedication to AFWA over the years.

July Meeting

Since several members will be gone in July, Ann moved that we cancel the July meeting. Margaret seconded the motion which was approved.

May Networking Lunch is Monday, May 20 at Brick City Grill in Ames.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Cindy Sippel Secretary