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Ames Chapter #158
Membership Meeting
February 21, 2018

Call to Order:

The February Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Elizabeth Almond at 7:32 p.m. on Wednesday, February 21, 2018, at The Iowa Stater in Ames, Iowa. Those in attendance were members Ann Kurtenbach, Margaret Munson, Kayla Sander, Lisa Palmersheim, Karen Jacobson, Catherine Mulder, and Elizabeth Almond.

A quorum was present.

Minutes:

Karen Jacobson moved that the minutes of the November meeting be approved as presented in the February bulletin. The motion was seconded by Catherine Mulder. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Catherine Mulder presented the Treasurer's Report. The November, December, and January reports were handed out.

The balance in the General Account as of November 30, 2017, is \$6,897.86. The balance in the Scholarship Account as of November 30, 2017, is \$4,015.81 with an unrestricted balance of \$1,415.81.

The balance in the General Account as of December 31, 2017, is \$6,998.15. The balance in the Scholarship Account as of December 31, 2017, is \$5,615.99 with an unrestricted balance of \$2,515.99. Member donations of \$1,650 (\$500 for the Kathy Strum scholarship) were added as income to the scholarship account this month. Way to go!

The balance in the General Account as of January 31, 2018, is \$6,998.44. The balance in the Scholarship Account as of January 31, 2018, is \$5,616.22 with an unrestricted balance of \$2,516.22. \$3,100 is restricted for the Kathy Strum scholarship.

The reports will be placed on file for review.

Kate mailed 2017 donation letters to all scholarship donors on Feb. 6, 2018.

Committee Reports:

A. Membership:

1. Karen Jacobson reported that we currently have 20 active members.
2. The upcoming networking lunch will be held on March 1st at Brick City Grill.

B. Program:

1. The upcoming program duties/plans are as follows:

March – (Catherine Mulder) possibly Kristy Maitre – tax update

April – open

May – open – Iowa Stater is booked

June - (Margaret Munson) Dr. Bill Dilla –Bitcoin @ the Iowa Stater

July – Planning Meeting

2. Ann has received acceptance for all CPE currently.

C. Bulletin:

1. No report

D. Scholarship:

1. Elizabeth Almond presented for Cheryl Carlile. We currently have no scholarship applicants.

Margaret Munson moved that the scholarship deadline be extended to March 1st. The motion was seconded by Lisa Palmersheim. Motion carried.

2. To help spread awareness for the scholarships and encourage applications, Kayla will send all accounting majors an email through Canvas, as well as spread the word among accounting faculty to share with their students. Margaret will make all necessary updates online.

E. Social Media

1. Margaret Munson and Jan Duffy created a LinkedIn group. Please look for it and connect. You can find it under the name, Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance Ames IA Chapter.

F. Webmaster

1. No report

Old Business:

A. Announcements from External Businesses

1. Elizabeth Almond will check with National on policy.

New Business:

A. 2018-2019 Nominating Committee

1. As past-president for the chapter, Jaimie Williamson will lead this committee. Margaret Munson and Karen Jacobson graciously volunteered to serve on the committee and generate the proposed slate of officers. They plan to publish this in a chapter-wide email and the April bulletin. They will present the slate for voting at the April meeting.

B. 2018-2019 Chapter Dues Rates

1. Elizabeth Almond announced that we must decide on our 2018-2019 chapter dues rates. Currently they are as follows:

- Regular member - \$20
- Affiliate member - \$20
- Associate member - \$5
- Student member - \$5
- Retired member \$5
- Emeritus member - \$0

Karen Jacobson moved to keep the chapter dues rates the same for the coming year. The motion was seconded by Margaret Munson. Motion carried.

C. Chapter Coach Program

1. Elizabeth Almond passed on the information that our chapter has the opportunity to request a coach through a national program. This program is also looking for members to serve as a coach for other chapters. Interest was expressed for using a coach to gather more ideas on growing membership. Libby will request more information about the program details to help with our decision.

Announcements:

- A. Karen Jacobson reminded the chapter that the National Conference will be in Kansas City this fall. The conference runs Oct. 28th – Oct. 30th and offers 16 hours of CPE. Karen will be carpooling if anyone is interested. She plans to leave Saturday, Oct. 27th and return on Tuesday, Oct. 30th.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kayla Sander, Secretary