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Ames Chapter #158
Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance
Membership Meeting Minutes
August 15, 2018

Call to Order:

The August Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Cindy Sippel at 7:26 pm on Wednesday, August 15, 2018, at The Iowa State Restaurant, Gateway Hotel & Conference Center, 2100 Green Hills Drive, Ames, Iowa. Those in attendance were members Ann Kurtenbach, Margaret Munson, Jan Duffy, Lisa Palmersheim, Karen Jacobson, Cindy Sippel, Kayla Sander and Libby Almond. Former member and guest Marilyn Moehlmann was also present. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes:

On motion made by Libby, seconded by Jan, motion carried that the minutes of the July meeting be approved as presented in the August bulletin.

Treasurer's Report:

Lisa presented the July Treasurer's report. As of July 31, 2018, the checking account had \$6,918.26 and the scholarship savings account had \$6,117.64 (with restricted funds of \$1,500 for the current scholarship payable and \$3,100 for the Kathy Strum Memorial Scholarship). Lisa noted that the checks received at the July Planning Meeting had not been deposited because our account would not accept deposits through the ATM. Lisa will check with US Bank to see why not. Cindy offered to make deposits if necessary since there is no US Bank near where Lisa lives or works. The report will be placed on file for review. Lisa reviewed the budget for 2018-2019. It was noted that the budget needed to be increased by \$125 for the projector screen. On motion made by Jan, seconded by Karen, motion carried that the budget be approved as amended to include the additional \$125.

Committee Reports:

Membership - Margaret reported that we now had 21 members. Jane Cavanaugh renewed her lapsed membership. When Margaret contacted her, she indicated that she would be transferring her membership to the Des Moines Chapter since she now lived and worked in that area. Margaret indicated Jane should contact National to assist in doing this. Without Jane, our normal membership is still 20 members. We have three lifetime members: Lisa Palmersheim, Penny Strum and Stephanie Roscoe. Kristen Krausman is assisting Margaret in developing the Networking Luncheon schedule for the coming year. On August 28, the Networking Luncheon will be held at Great Harvest Bakery.

Program – Kayla reported that next month's speaker will be President Cindy Sippel on the topic "Long Duration Insurance Contracts." October is the joint meeting with the Des

Moines Chapter. Cindy will get the name of the Des Moines Chapter contact for Kayla. Kayla has a number of leads and possible speakers and continues to work on the remainder of the year. Ann mentioned Sunny Swarbrick from the Story County Community Foundation as a possible speaker. Kayla will follow up with her. The Iowa Stater Restaurant has been booked for the rest of the year. Kayla clarified the terms with the restaurant: We will pay the \$30 room charge but there will be no gratuity on the room charge. This information is now in our file at the restaurant. Libby bought the projector approved at a prior membership meeting. The screen is still to be bought. It was agreed that a smaller screen would be acceptable.

Bulletin – No report.

Scholarship – The check has been mailed out for last spring's scholarship winner. Cheryl will be asked to contact the winner and see if she can attend a fall meeting to receive her certificate.

Social Media (now Publicity) – Libby created a FaceBook page, but it has not been published yet. Margaret and Lisa are co-administrators on it. Kayla is going to talk with some students regarding the use of LinkedIn and what they use it for.

Webmaster – Margaret will update the website for Publicity. Lisa got a phishing e-mail supposedly from Libby asking that Kate transfer funds by wire. Since we never do transfers by wire Lisa knew it was a scam.

Old Business:

Chapter Challenge – President Cindy reviewed the Chapter Challenge goal for a membership increase of a net two by October 1, 2018.

Meeting Dates – Margaret mentioned that the March meeting appears to be during spring break at ISU. It was decided that the meeting date could be changed in the future if need be.

New Business:

No delegates are needed at the Annual Meeting because of recent bylaw changes allowing each member in attendance to carry a vote. Currently Kate, Kayla, Margaret and Karen are planning to attend the AFWA National Conference in Kansas City from October 28th-30th.

Announcements:

None

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen E. Jacobson, Secretary