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MISSION STATEMENT

To enable women in all accounting and related fields to achieve their full personal, professional and economic potential and to contribute to the future development of their profession.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

No President's message

AGENDA

Planning meeting – no agenda

MEETING INFORMATION

Date: Wednesday, July 18th

Time: 6:00 PM

Topic: Planning meeting will be held after the meal.

Dinner: Please bring one of the following: salad, bread, dessert or bottle of wine for supper.



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Donations for the scholarship fund will be accepted at the conclusion of the meal.

Location: 1514 NW Maple Place
Directions: Take 1st Street to Ash Drive. Turn north onto Ash Drive. Proceed through the four way stop at Ash/Ninth/Prairie Ridge Drive. Take the next right on to Wagner Blvd and take an immediate left on to Maple Street. At the stop sign turn left on to Maple Place and I am the second house on the left.

My phone number is 964-8137 in case anyone needs.

Linda K. Herman, CPA



Minutes
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Membership Meeting
May 16, 2012

Call to Order: The May Membership Meeting of Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Lisa Palmersheim in Ames at 7:09 p.m. on Wednesday, May 16, 2012. Those in attendance were members Kayla Christensen, Karen Jacobson, Cyndie Jeffrey, Ann Kurtenbach, Soma Mitra,

Marilyn Moehlmann, Catherine Mulder, Margaret Munson, Lisa Palmersheim, Teresa Samson, Cindy Sippel, and Jaimie Williamson. A quorum was present.

Minutes: Cindy Sippel moved and Karen Jacobson seconded that the April minutes be approved. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: No Report

Committee Reports:

Membership: Jodi Adams joined our chapter. We now have 29 members.

Program: Kayla reported that at our March meeting, the IMA invited us to go with them on a tour of the Iowa Speedway May 22nd. Reservations are due tomorrow. Lisa Palmersheim and Marilyn Moehlmann will attend. For our June program, Mary Jo Gonzales will present the program "Queen Bees, Tall Poppies, and Drama Queens: Avoiding the Pitfalls of Women Mentoring Women". Kayla hopes to schedule an outing for us at the Indian Creek Country Club for golf lessons with Sherry Newsome on a Monday. She may ask The Café to cater our July planning meeting and hold the meeting at ISU.

Bulletin: No report

Scholarship: No report



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Old Business:

Financial Literacy Progress Report – Karen Jacobson reported there are no updates to report. Lisa Palmersheim received a survey on how our club is involved with financial literacy. She will complete the survey with Karen's assistance.

New Business:

Update on the Regional Conference – Karen Jacobson and Kate Mulder attended the regional conference in Minneapolis May 10-12. Karen and Kate reported that the conference was wonderful with quality, unpaid speakers. Unfortunately, there were only 28 attendees and the Minneapolis Chapter lost money on the conference. They were unable to obtain a list of CPAs from the Minnesota Society of CPAs. There were only four baskets for the silent auction. Kate and Karen supplied a basket. Kate mentioned that in ASWA's Northwest Region, the chapters support each other by attending the conferences in their region. Our region does not have a tradition of supporting the regional conferences. Since Omaha is having a regional conference next month, possibly the lack of attendance in Minneapolis was due to timing. No chapters in the North Central region are sponsoring regional conferences next year. The Northwest and South Central

regions hold conferences on a rotating basis.

Karen Jacobson, Cindy Sippel, Kate Mulder and Kathy Sturm will attend the regional conference in Omaha June 8-9. They would like to take a basket from our chapter for the silent auction. Lisa Palmersheim will send out an e-mail requesting items for the basket.

Kate Mulder will be installed as National President-Elect at the regional conference in Omaha.

ASWA Name Change Proposal – The ASWA leadership has proposed changing the organization's name to Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance. There will be a straw poll at our June meeting to vote on whether or not we want to change our name from American Society of Women Accountants to **Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance**. The ASWA leadership would like our name to reflect our mission and think this proposed name change will add clarity and include all women working in accounting and finance. They recognize there will be a cost to the chapters if there is a name change. Based on the results of the straw poll, the new name may be voted on at the annual meeting in October.

Announcements:



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The 2012 ASWA Annual Conference will be held in San Diego, CA October 22-24.

It is time to renew our dues. For most of us, our dues expire June 30th.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Kurtenbach, Secretary

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

July: Planning Meeting

SCHOLARSHIPS

Fellow ASWA Ames' chapter members,

I would like to thank the ASWA Ames' Chapter for the Beverly M. Wandling Scholarship award. I greatly appreciate the support as I continue to pursue my education in Accounting. I have been honored to get the chance to meet most of our chapter's members over the past year. It has been a very wonderful and rewarding experience. Thank you all for your support and guidance.

Sincerely,
Jordan Nolta

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Our greatest glory is not in never falling but in rising every time we fall.
~Confucius

Articles and submissions to the newsletter are welcome. Please contact Carla at bulletin@amesaswa.org