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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance is to enable women in all accounting and finance fields to achieve their full potential and to contribute to their profession.

MEETING INFORMATION

Christmas Party

Date: Wednesday, December 19, 2018

Time: 6 p.m.

Location: Cindy Sippel's home
1034 Northeast Aspen Circle
Ankeny, IA 50021

This is a pot luck, so please let us know what you plan to bring when you RSVP.

We will have the usual white elephant (or not) gift exchange. Please bring your checkbooks since we will be collecting for the scholarship fund.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!
While my house has been decorated since Thanksgiving, I am woefully behind on my shopping. I am thankful that my children are pretty good about creating wish lists on

Amazon so I will be doing my online shopping this weekend and praying that everything arrives by Christmas!

During my career, I have always worked for companies that have a calendar year-end.

For me, that means gearing up for year-end reporting during January. It's always a busy month but I have been thankful for the calendar year-end since the extra work during January always makes the month go by quickly!

Whatever the end of the year brings for you, I wish you happiness and good health for the coming year and look forward to seeing you at the Christmas party on the 19th! Don't forget that we won't have a meeting in January so if you can't make it to the Christmas party, our next meeting is in February.

See you then!

Cindy

MINUTES – November 2018

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Membership Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2018

Call to Order:

The November Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by



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President Cindy Sippel at 7:29 pm on Wednesday, November 14, 2018, at The Iowa Stater Restaurant, Gateway Hotel & Conference Center, 2100 Green Hills Drive, Ames, Iowa. Those in attendance were members Ann Kurtenbach, Margaret Munson, Karen Jacobson, Cindy Sippel, Kayla Sander, Kate Mulder, Jan Duffy, Cheryl Carlile, Libby Almond, Anne Clem and Becky Musselman. Stephanie Braun attended as a guest. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes:

On motion made by Jan, seconded by Margaret, motion carried that the minutes of the September meeting be approved as presented in the November bulletin.

Treasurer's Report:

No Treasurer's report was available.

Committee Reports:

Membership - Margaret reported that we have 21 members, which includes Jane Cavanaugh who will be transferring to the Des Moines Chapter. No further information is available on the Corporate Membership for Workiva. The November 27 Networking Luncheon will be held at Olde Main Brewing Company and the December 11 Networking Luncheon will be held at Aunt Maude's.

Program – Kayla noted that the December meeting is our Christmas Party and that the next Membership Meeting will be February

20th. It will be held at Workiva, who will also do the catering. The only meeting which is not finalized is the speaker for the June meeting.

Bulletin – Cindy reported that Jaimie sends her requests for information out early so that she can send the bulletin one week before the meeting.

Scholarship – Cindy will follow up with Chair Lisa Palmersheim on updating and posting the application for this year. It was recommended that the application be posted earlier in hopes of getting more applicants. Publicity – Libby reported that Facebook is ready for final review by Kayla, Lisa and Margaret before publishing. Once it is published, Libby will notify the rest of the membership. It was suggested that we create a position for Linked In to be filled by the next Nominating Committee. Webmaster – No report.

Old Business:

Karen, Kate and Kayla reported on the recent National meeting in Kansas City. Kate expressed concern that no financial statements for the National organization were available at the annual business meeting. The goal of 100 lifetime members was reached at the annual conference.

New Business:

The Christmas Party will be held on December 19th at 6:00 pm at Cindy Sippel's home in Ankeny. It will be a potluck and



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members are asked to indicate what they will bring in their RSVP response. Bring your checkbook for donating to the scholarship fund. Also bring a white elephant gift.

Announcements:

Jaimie Williamson had a baby daughter Mia Rae on October 29th and Lisa Palmersheim had a baby boy Kyler Thomas on November 3rd. Congratulations to Jaimie and Lisa and their families.

It was noted that Brenda O'Neall-Smith was given her 25-year membership pin at the National conference.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen E. Jacobson
Secretary

NETWORKING LUNCHEON

Date Change for December Networking Luncheon

The Ames Chapter Networking Luncheon has been rescheduled and will now be held on December 28, 2018, at Aunt Maude's. Please mark your calendars with the new date. We hope to see you all at the conference at ISU.

Networking Lunch	Meeting Date	Restaurant	Location
Fri, 12/28	19-Dec	Aunt Maude's	547 Main St, Ames
Wed, 1/16	None	Provisions Lot F	2400 N Loop Dr, Ames
Thurs, 2/7	20-Feb	Applebees	105 Chestnut St, Ames
Mon, 3/11	20-Mar	Jethros	1301 Buckeye Ave, Ames
Friday, 4/26	17-Apr	Flame and Skewer	2801 Grand Ave (North Grand Mall)
Thurs, 5/30	15-May	Stomping Grounds	303 Welch Ave, Ames
Mon, 6/24	19-Jun	Café Beaudelaire	2504 Lincoln Way, Ames



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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“Don’t limit yourself. Many people limit themselves to what they think they can do. You can go as far as you mind lets you. What you believe, you can achieve.”

– Mary Kay Ash

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