



April 2020

Ames Chapter #158

THE SPOKESWOMAN

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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

April Meeting Cancelled

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Due to the concerns with the coronavirus and with Governor Reynolds' measures to require social distancing and limit the community spread, we are canceling several of our planned chapter activities:

- CANCELLED April 14th
Chapter meeting
- CANCELLED April 27th
Networking luncheon

Our May meeting will be a Zoom meeting with invitations being sent out this first week of April. In consideration of our speaker, we need to confirm attendance early and have at least 10 members attending. An invitation will be sent to the Des Moines Chapter members also offering FREE CPE. We will need the following:

Reservation confirmations by April 27, 2020 for attendance at Zoom meeting May 12, 2020 at 7 pm.

A minimum of 10 attendance confirmations.

We will continue to assess the developments of the coronavirus and let our members know about our June meeting and future events. You can monitor updates on the COVID-19 virus in Iowa at this [website](#).

In these uncertain times when we are being asked to practice social distancing, it can feel unsettling as we avoid our normal social gatherings and greetings. I recently saw a quote from Rabbi Yosef Kanefsky that I thought was appropriate for alternative measures:

- "Every hand that we don't shake must become a phone call that we place."
- "Every embrace that we avoid must become a verbal expression of warmth and concern."
- "Every inch and every foot that we physically place between ourselves and another, must become a thought as to how we might be of help to that other, should the need arise."

Wishing each of you stay safe and healthy till we meet again.

Catherine (Kate) A. Mulder



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MARCH MEETING MINUTES

Ames Chapter #158
Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance
Membership Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2020

Call to Order:

The March Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Catherine (Kate) Mulder at 7:38 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2020, at the Iowa Stater Restaurant at 2100 Green Hills Drive in Ames, Iowa. Those in attendance were members Kate Mulder, Margaret Munson, Annmarie Kurtenbach, Kayla Sander, Lisa Palmersheim, Karen Jacobson, Brenda O'Neill-Smith, Anne Clem, Cheryl Carlile, and Cindy Sippel. A quorum was present.

Minutes

Cheryl make a motion to approve the minutes of the February 2020 membership meeting as printed in the bulletin. Karen seconded the motion that was approved.

Treasurer's Report and Budget:

Lisa reported that the balance in the general fund was \$6,752.35. The scholarship fund has a balance of \$5,811.96. Of this balance, \$3,600 is restricted for the Kathy Strum scholarship and the remaining balance is

available for the Beverly Wandling Memorial Scholarship.

Committee Reports

Membership: Current membership stands at 22. The members from Workiva have a renewal date of February 29. The next networking lunch is scheduled for March 27 at Provisions. National is continuing their series of training on growing AFWA chapters. The most recent call discussed having a variety of meetings including some fun meetings.

Programs: We discussed the possibility that the April meeting scheduled for April 14 at Danfoss may need to be changed or canceled.

Bulletin: No report

Scholarship: The scholarship committee presented one candidate for the Beverly Wandling Memorial Scholarship. Jenna will be a junior next year and is very active. The committee recommended that we award \$1,000 to Jenna. Margaret made a motion that we accept the recommendation of the scholarship committee and award Jenna a scholarship of \$1,000. Brenda seconded the motion which was approved. We will be inviting Jenna to a future meeting to present her scholarship.



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Social media: The Facebook announcement of the Founder's Day award had a lot of views.

Webmaster: The website has been revised for the new scholarship deadline in the fall.

Old Business:

2020-2021 Nominating Committee: The committee is working on the slate for the coming year. If you are interested in serving on the AFWA board for the coming year, please let Cheryl or Cindy know,

New Business:

None

Announcements:

None

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Sippel
Secretary

2020-2021 OFFICERS

We are working on filling out the slate of officers for the coming year. As you can see, we still need several positions filled. Please consider volunteering your time and enhancing your skills by serving on our Board. We will be reaching out to members to help fill in the blanks.

-Cheryl and Cindy

President: Margaret Munson

Vice President: Cheryl Carlile

Secretary:

Treasurer: Cindy Sippel

Past President: Catherin (Kate) Mulder

Program: Kayla Sander

Program Coordinator: Ann Kurtenbach

Publicity: Lisa Palmersheim

Membership:

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Scholarship: Karen Jacobson
Penny Strum
Cheryl Carlile
Cindy Sippel

Webmaster:

NETWORKING LUNCHEON

Networking Lunch	Restaurant	Location
Thursday, May 21	Stomping Grounds	303 Welch Ave, Ames
Tuesday, June 23	Café Beaudelaire	2504 Lincoln Way, Ames

Articles and submissions to the newsletter are welcome. Please contact bulletin@amesafwa.org

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Your present circumstances don't determine where you can go; they merely determine where you start." – Nido Qubein

2019-2020 OFFICERS

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Kayla Sander

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Membership: Margaret Munson

Newsletter: Jaimie Williamson

Scholarship: Anne Clem (Chair)
Cheryl Carlile
Lisa Palmersheim

Webmaster: Margaret Munson