



October 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

### AFWA Joint Chapter Meeting

Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2020

Time: 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Location: Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Cost: FREE TO ALL!! Donations will be accepted for our Scholarship fund. Please reach out to Libby Neal ([libby@tarbellcpa.com](mailto:libby@tarbellcpa.com))

Presenter: Patrice Sayre

Patrice Sayre will be speaking on The Regent Universities - The Pursuit of Education, Research and Service to Iowa and the World. You remember your years at college - walking across the campus through all seasons, engaged in significant learning, finding a passion that will carry you into a job. You attended stadium and arena sports, sat in theater and music halls, lived in dormitories or off campus housing. But what do you know about the rest of the institution? How many people worked there? What research was occurring? How were decisions made? How many acres of buildings had to be

maintained? Through charts, graphs, slides and conversation, Patrice will walk us through the hidden side of the Regent universities.

The valuable information provided at this meeting is for one hour of CPE.

Please RSVP by **12:00pm on Monday, October 19th** through the following link (<http://www.desmoinesafwa.org/meetings>) if you will be attending the meeting.

NOTE: There is not a confirmation email sent once you register. The form will say "Thank You. Your submission has been received." If you must change your registration, please contact Jen Nokes ([nokes.jennifer@principal.com](mailto:nokes.jennifer@principal.com)) and Libby Neal ([libby@tarbellcpa.com](mailto:libby@tarbellcpa.com)). Reservations canceled within 2 business days of the meeting may result in a charge from the venue, which must be paid by the member or guest.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Time has been so elastic this year. It seems forever since we met in person in March but also seems like it shouldn't be October already. I love the fall colors and the crisp temperatures and, of course, I always look forward to our October meeting with the Des Moines chapter,

I hope to see everyone at the joint meeting on October 20. I am looking forward to



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hearing Patrice Sayre talk about the Board of Regents.

It's also not too late to sign up for the Women Who Count Virtual National Conference, October 28-30. See [www.afwa.org](http://www.afwa.org) for details and to register.

Take some breathing time for yourselves as the world gets crazier.

Stay safe,  
Margaret

## MEMBER OF THE YEAR 2019-2020



There is much that has to happen behind the scenes for our chapter to meet its annual goals to hold meetings and provide CPE. Annmarie Kurtenbach prepares and monitors Evites, collects detailed information about the programs and presenters, collects group attendance

information, prints or emails individual attendance documents, signs and returns the CPE evidence to attendees, forwards information to make sure the programs are approved, and generally makes sure everything happens timely and completely. Annmarie does all of this quietly, efficiently, and effectively. She has made valuable contributions to the chapter, not just in 2019-2020, but throughout her membership.

The Ames Chapter is pleased to recognize Annmarie Kurtenbach as the Member of the Year for 2019-2020.

## SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES

The event was held as a Zoom meeting with 9 people in attendance. The meeting was called to order by President, Margaret Munson at 6:58 pm. Those in attendance were Jan Duffy, Karen Jacobson, Ann Kurtenbach, Catherine (Kate) Mulder, Margaret Munson, Lisa Palmersheim, Kayla Sanders, Cindy Sippel and Penny Strum. A quorum was present.

## Minutes

Cindy Sippel moved we approve the July 2020 Planning meeting minutes as printed in the bulletin. Penny Strum seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

## Treasurer's report

Cindy Sippel reported a balance in the general fund of \$6,895.77 and \$5,132.88 in



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the scholarship fund. Of the scholarship fund, \$3,600.00 is restricted for the Kathleen M Strum scholarship with the remaining balance being unrestricted.

Karen Jacobson moved we send \$300.00 to The Foundation of AFWA. Catherine (Kate) Mulder seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Treasurer's report will be placed on file for review.

## **Committee Reports**

*Membership* – Current membership is 20 members. Margaret Munson recognized new member Jenny Sturgill.

*Programs* – Kayla Sanders reported she is working with the Des Moines Chapter for our October joint meeting on the evening of October 20<sup>th</sup>. Kayla has a new topic for February but March is still open. Please let Kayla know if you have a program suggestion for March. April is tentatively set for April 13<sup>th</sup> with a tour of Danfoss, but the date can be changed if desired. May will be Diversity & Inclusion readings and discussion with Jan Duffy moderating.

*Bulletin* – no report

*Scholarship* – no report

*Webmaster* – no report

## **Old Business**

Reviewed goals:

Membership Goal of net +2 members

CPE Goal – goal of 8 hours of CPE

## **New Business**

National Conference is virtual this year. Early bird rates are now extended through September 30, 2020.

## **Announcements**

Cindy Sippel presented Catherine (Kate) Mulder with her President's Pin for serving as President of the Chapter last year. Lisa Palmersheim presented AnnMarie Kurtenbach a plaque for Member of the Year. Ann was commended for her continued work as Program Coordinator and the many other duties she has filled for the chapter over the years.

## **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm.

## **2020-2021 OFFICERS**

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## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“October is about trees revealing colors they’ve hidden all year. People have an October as well.” *Jm Storm*

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