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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

Five Lessons from Field Research in Disaster Response

Date: Tuesday, February 9, 2021

Time: 5:30 p.m. Networking
6 p.m. Program
7 p.m. Business Meeting

Location: Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Presenter: Dr. Johanna Amaya is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Supply Chain Management at Iowa State University Ivy College of Business. She received her B.Sc. in Industrial Engineering from Universidad del Norte, Colombia. She got a M.Sc. in Industrial and Systems Engineering, from University of Florida and completed her PhD. in Transportation Engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. She is an expert in disaster response logistics, sustainable urban freight transportation, and supply chain management.

Learning Objectives & Program Content: Disasters pose many challenges to relief and

response agencies, and as such, it has become a great opportunity for applied research in logistics and operations. This talk will discuss Disaster Response Logistics (DRL) in connection with the functions conducted by relief agencies, and identifies under-studied areas where research could enhance operational effectiveness. The discussion relays the chief findings of fieldwork research conducted, which supports the development of policies to improve preparation and coordination of disaster response activities.

Field of Study: Specialized Knowledge

Program Level: Basic

Program Prerequisites/Advance

Preparation: None

Instructional Delivery Method: Group
Virtual

Recommended Amount of CPE Credit: 1
credit hour

Administrative Policies: Please respond to the invite by February 9th. Download instructions will be forwarded to attendees 24 hours prior to the virtual meeting. If you would like to make or cancel a reservation and did not receive a separate invite, please send an email to Annmarie Kurtenbach at Annmarie.kurtenbach@gmail.com. For more information regarding administrative policies such as complaint, please contact Ames Chapter Program Coordinator, Annmarie Kurtenbach at Annmarie.kurtenbach@gmail.com



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy February! I'm looking forward to seeing you all at our February meeting, as we resume our virtual monthly meetings after our holiday and winter break. Kayla has lined up a great series of speakers for us, continuing into this new calendar year.

I have recently enjoyed some virtual CPE seminars offered by other AFWA Chapters (Des Moines and Denver) and one free seminar from National. It's a great way to get CPE and to support AFWA. The next National webinar is February 16, at noon CST (1 pm EST). Anna Raney will speak on **Leading from a Distance**.

Stay warm,
Stay safe,
Margaret

FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Quorum (30%)
3. Approval of Minutes – November 2020 and December 2020
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Committee Reports
 - a. Membership
 - b. Programs
 - c. Bulletin
 - d. Scholarship
 - e. Social Media
 - f. Webmaster

6. Old Business
 - a. National Dues Simplicity Subcommittee
7. New Business
8. Announcements
 - a. National Free CPE Webinars
9. Adjournment

NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES

The event was held as a Zoom meeting with 7 people in attendance. The meeting was called to order by President, Margaret Munson at 7:08 pm. Those in attendance were Karen Jacobson, Ann Kurtenbach, Catherine (Kate) Mulder, Margaret Munson, Kayla Sander, Cindy Sippel and Jenny Sturgill. A quorum was present.

Minutes

Cindy Sippel moved we approve the September 2020 meeting minutes as printed in the bulletin. Karen Jacobson seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Treasurer's report

Cindy Sippel reported a balance in the general fund of \$6,980.87 and \$5,132.96 in the scholarship fund. Of the scholarship fund, \$3,600.00 is restricted for the Kathleen M Strum scholarship with the remaining balance of \$1,532.96 unrestricted. The \$300 donation to the Educational Foundation will be sent out in November.



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

Committee Reports

Membership – Current membership is at 20 members. The chapter welcomed new member Jenny Sturgill. Margaret shared the chapter's 30 year milestone certificate from National then recognized our members for their years of membership in AFWA.

Programs – Kayla Sander asked about the Holiday Party. It was agreed to have a virtual party on December 8th starting at 6 p.m. Kayla is seeking ideas for a March program; please forward suggestions to her. The Danfoss tour is still on for April; we will determine format as we get nearer to that time.

Bulletin – no report

Scholarship – the committee will be meeting to get scholarship applications online after the first of the year.

Social Media – no report.

Webmaster – the website was down for a couple of days, but it is back up now.

Old Business - None

New Business

2021-2022 Chapter Dues – Margaret noted that our chapter dues rate is due to National on February 1st, so we need to make a

decision as we won't have another meeting before this deadline. It was commented that our current dues of \$20 work.

Restructuring AFWA Dues System – In discussion, members understood the need for simplification of chapter dues rates at the National level. Concern was expressed about who would set the chapter dues and rate increases. Suggested alternatives were:

1. Having two or three tiers for chapter dues. Then the chapter could pick which tier would be charged for their particular chapter.
2. Decoupling the national and chapter dues. Many chapters have means for electronic payments. Concerns for this solution were collection complications and asking employers to make two payments.

Margaret will visit with Cheryl and see if she can represent our chapter in the National discussion. If Cheryl cannot represent our chapter, Margaret will represent us in the discussions.

Announcements -President's box is at Cindy Sippel's house.

Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.



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DECEMBER MEETING MINUTES

The event was held as a Zoom meeting with 7 people in attendance. The meeting was called to order by President, Margaret Munson at 6:46 pm. Those in attendance were Jan Duffy, Cheryl Carlile, Karen Jacobson, Catherine (Kate) Mulder, Margaret Munson, Lisa Palmersheim and Cindy Sippel. A quorum was present.

New Business –

2021-2022 Chapter Dues – Margaret reviewed current chapter dues as follows:

\$20.00 per regular member
and associate member

\$5.00 per student member and
retired member

\$0.00 per emeritus member

Jan Duffy moved that we continue with the same chapter dues rates for the 2021-2022 year. Karen Jacobson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Announcements -None.

Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 6:49 pm.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Doubt kills more dreams than failure ever will

- Suzy Kassem

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