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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

Fake Shipping Company: A Fraud Story

Date: Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Time: 5:30 p.m. Networking

5:45 **Scholarship Presentation**

6 p.m. Program

7 p.m. Business Meeting

Location: Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Presenter Bio: In his 19th year at Danfoss, Rod Mumm currently serves as the Head of Global Services North America, a role in which he has served since January 2018. Prior to coming to Danfoss, Rod held positions at Rockwell Collins, Pioneer, & KPMG. He earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Northern Iowa.

Learning Objectives & Program Content: slides will be provided

Rod has experienced fraud within the companies he has worked for several times throughout this career. He will focus much of his talk on sharing the details regarding a

2004 fraud at Sauer-Danfoss which involved an employee paying herself through a fake shipping company. (See the attached article from the Ames Tribune.) Through this presentation, Rod will talk through topics such as the fraud triangle, internal controls, the impact of fraud on companies, integrity in the workplace, and more.

Field of Study: Auditing

Program Level: Basic

Program Prerequisites/Advance

Preparation: None

Instructional Delivery Method: Group
Live Online

Recommended Amount of CPE Credit: 1
credit hour

Administrative Policies: Please respond to the evite by April 12th. 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 evite, please send an email to Annmarie Kurtenbach at Annmarie.kurtenbach@gmail.com. For more information regarding administrative policies such as complaints, please contact Ames Chapter Program Coordinator, Annmarie Kurtenbach at Annmarie.kurtenbach@gmail.com.



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SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION

The AFWA scholarship presentation will be at 5:45 p.m. on _____. The Scholarship Committee would like as many members to be present as possible.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I had planned to say something about Tax Day, but now I'll save that until next month.

I plan to attend the ISU Business Analytics virtual conference Tuesday and Wednesday morning April 6 and 7, and I've been able to take advantage of the free CPE from National.

I hope you all are able to enjoy some of our spring weather. My hyacinths are blooming and I'll water my small flower bed this afternoon. We think the rabbits will leave us some of the tulips.

I am looking forward to our virtual meeting next Tuesday, April 13. See you there.

Margaret

APRIL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Quorum (30%)
3. Approval of Minutes – March 2021
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Committee Reports
 - a. Membership

- b. Programs
 - c. Bulletin
 - d. Scholarship
 - e. Publicity
 - f. Webmaster
6. Old Business
- a. Nominating Committee and Election of Officers
 - b. National Dues Simplicity Subcommittee
7. New Business
8. Announcements
- a. Events from National:
 - Member benefit free CPE | Sales Navigator-Business/Chapter Development Tools – Ty Hendrickson | April 27 at 1:30 pm EDT
 - Chapter Chat: "Ask without fear." | April 27, 2021 12:00PM EDT
 - AFWA Foundation Bingo Night | April 27 at 8pm EDT
 - Member benefit free CPE | Ultra High Net Worth Strategies for C-Suite/Business Owners – Brian Bohn | May 12 at 1-4pm EDT (3 CPE credits)
 - Chapter Chat: "Think outside the box!" | May 25, 2021 12:00PM EDT
 - AFWA Connect.Advance.Lead. Conference | June 17-18, 2021



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- 2021 Women Who Count Conference | Oct. 20-22
 - b. Other
9. Adjournment

MARCH MEETING MINUTES

The event was held March 9, 2021 as a Zoom meeting with 11 members in attendance. The meeting was called to order by President, Margaret Munson at 7:10 pm. Those in attendance were Cheryl Carlile, Carla Danielson, Jan Duffy, Karen Jacobson, Ann Kurtenbach, Catherine (Kate) Mulder, Margaret Munson, Lisa Palmersheim, Kayla Sander, Cindy Sippel, and Jenny Sturgill. A quorum was present.

Minutes

Karen Jacobson moved we approve the February 2021 meeting minutes as printed in the bulletin. Cindy Sippel seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Treasurer's report

As of February 28, 2021, Cindy Sippel reported a balance in the general fund of \$6,987.67 and \$5,033.11 in the scholarship fund. Of the scholarship fund, \$3,600.00 is restricted for the Kathleen M Strum scholarship with the remaining balance of \$1,433.11 unrestricted. Cindy noted an additional \$750.00 of scholarship funds have been received in March.

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

Committee Reports

Membership- The Chapter has 20 members. Margaret will follow-up with National as it appears some former members that did not renew membership are listed as chapter members.

Programs – Kayla Sander reported she will be following up with Rob for the April meeting. Other programs remain as scheduled.

Bulletin – Watch for Jaimie's emails.

Scholarship – Deadline was Friday, March 5, 2021. An additional donation has been pledged that should increase available scholarship funds to greater than \$4,500.00. Cheryl Carlile reported we have 3 very qualified applicants; two from Marshalltown Community College and one from Iowa State. The scholarship candidates are Alicia Adelmund, Audrey Wagner, and Evelyn Castillo. Cheryl provided an overview of the applicants' backgrounds and qualifications. The Committee's recommendation is to give \$1,500.00 to each applicant.

There were no applicants for the Kathleen M Strum scholarship again this year. Penny Strum is reviewing the scholarship criteria and considering revisions to attract applicants.

After discussion of when to pay the scholarships, it was agreed to pay one now and the remaining two in the fall. Karen Jacobson recommended next year's committee review the timeline for scholarship payments keeping in mind that the chapter planned to move the scholarship



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deadline to the fall of the year. Next year’s Scholarship Committee will provide the chapter with a recommendation for future scholarship payments timing.

Karen Jacobson moved to approve 3 scholarships of \$1,500.00 each pending receipt of the additional scholarship funds . Jan Duffy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Publicity – Lisa Palmersheim will post our meeting on Facebook page. Margaret Munson will post scholarship information.

Webmaster –Jaimie Williamson was able to post website information this month.

Old Business

a. *Nominating Committee*

Kate Mulder reported that Jan Duffy and she have completed the 2021-2022 roster as follows:

President	Cheryl Carlile
Vice President	Carla Danielson
Secretary	Margaret Munson
Treasurer	Cindy Sippel
Past President	Margaret Munson
Program	Jennifer Sturgill (with Kayla Sander’s help)
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Newsletter	Jaimie Williamson
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The completed roster will be sent to the membership now and published in the April newsletter.

b. *National Dues Simplicity Subcommittee*

As our chapter representative on the above sub-committee, Margaret Munson reported on the February 25th meeting. The committee discussed the option of presenting chapter dues earlier in the online process as a solution. Dues range from \$15-\$79 in chapters and networks in AFWA. The next mtg with chapter representatives will be in 45 days.

New Business

National has asked chapters to have an on-going chapter contact since some chapters do not get new board information submitted timely. Cindy Sippel suggested Karen Jacobson serve as our chapter contact. Karen accepted the appointment.

National asking members to update their profile. This will help National identify current membership attributes and allow better target marketing for new members.

Announcements

- a. Chapter Chat/Corporate and Affiliate Membership: “Selling AFWA in Your Community.” March 30, 2021 12:00 pm EST National Free CPE Webinars



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- b. AFWA Connect.Advance.Lead. Conference – June 17-18, 2021
- c. 2021 Women Who Count Conference – Oct. 20-22, 2021
- d. Other
 - i. The new IRS Stakeholder Liaison is Alan Gregerson, located in Bloomington, Minnesota. Alan can be reached at Alan.J.Gregerson@irs.gov, or 763-347-7352. Margaret can forward his March newsletter that was sent out today.
 - ii. Ann Kurtenbach requested that we fill out CPE sheets and evaluation forms soon after meetings so she can get them signed and back to us timely.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

NETWORKING LUNCH SCHEDULE

April 28th

May 26th

June 28th

All networking lunches will be virtual

AFWA – Ames Chapter Nominating Committee For year 2021-2022

Nominating Committee – Catherine (Kate) Mulder, Chair and Jan Duffy

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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“What you do makes a difference and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make.”

- Jane Goodall



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