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July 2022

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**

### **Ames AFWA Planning Meeting**

Date: Tuesday, July 12, 2022

Time: 6:00 p.m.

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

Please join us for the planning meeting at Cindy Sippel's home. We will be having a potluck dinner and will accept contributions to the scholarship fund.

We will do salads, appetizers, bread, wine, desserts, or whatever you like. We ask that everyone put what they are bringing in their invite response.

Directions to Cindy's house: Cindy lives right off Delaware in Ankeny, so if you are coming from the north or the south take Delaware to NE Fountain View Blvd. (it is between NE 9th St and NE 15th St) Right after you enter the development, you will take a right onto NE Fountain View Dr. Then take another right onto NE Aspen

Circle. Cindy's home has a flag pole in the front yard. Feel free to park in the driveway. If you are having trouble finding Cindy's home her cell is 515-450-8670.

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Thank you for your confidence in me as president this year of our Ames AFWA. I do hope to do something that makes a difference to our organization. Top of mind for me is getting the word out and bringing in new members. I listened to the Chapter Chat for the first time this week, and they gave some ideas as well as ways that National can help with bringing in new members. I really do think we have an organization that is beneficial to women in Finance, so I hope we can share that with more women.

I also attended part of the AFWA Connect.Advance.Lead Conference in June. What a great resources AFWA is for affordable and great CPE including the great programs we have right here in Ames. I just saw there is free CPE for members on July 12<sup>th</sup> at 1PM Central "How to Make Time for Your Goals When You're Drowning in To-Dos". Funny, I have another webinar on instant payments scheduled for that time already. It sounds like a great one though. Thank you to Lisa for the training she provided at the June meeting. It's clear she's a strong woman sharing her story to help others.



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I look forward to seeing everyone at the July meeting. Hope everyone had a happy and safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Carla

### JULY MEMBERSHIP MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order
  2. Quorum (30% of 16 active members=5)
  3. Approval of Minutes – June 2022
  4. Treasurer’s Report
  5. Old Business
  6. Committee Reports
    - a. Membership/Publicity
    - b. Programs
    - c. Scholarship
    - d. Newsletter
    - e. Webmaster
  7. New Business –
    - a. Chapter Goals
    - b. Programs
- Board Meeting for Outgoing and Incoming Officers
8. Announcements
    - a. Free 1 hour CPE Webinars – see the National website to register:
    - b. The National Connect/Advance/Lead Virtual Conference will be held June 23-24

c. The National Conference – Chicago October 25-28

9. Adjournment

### JUNE MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Accounting and Financial Women’s Alliance  
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Membership Meeting  
June 14, 2022

The monthly membership meeting was held June 14, 2022, at Jethro's BBQ in Ames with six members attending in person and one member attending virtually. The meeting was called to order by President, Cheryl Carlile at 7:40 pm. Those in attendance were members Cheryl Carlile, Carla Danielson, Jan Duffy, Annmarie Kurtenbach, Margaret Munson, Lisa Palmersheim, and Cindy Sippel. A quorum was present.

#### Minutes

Jan Duffy made and Cindy Sippel seconded a motion that the May 2022 membership meeting minutes be approved as printed in the bulletin. Motion carried.

#### Treasurer’s report

Cindy Sippel presented the Treasurer’s report for May 2022. As of May 31, 2022, the Chapter has a balance in the general fund of \$7,198.02 and \$5,743.49 in the scholarship fund. Of the scholarship fund,



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\$3,600.00 is restricted for the Kathleen M Strum scholarship, leaving an unrestricted balance of \$2,143.49 in the scholarship fund. Additional member donations of \$75.00 were received by the scholarship fund in May 2022.

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

### **Old Business**

**Chapter Bylaws Revision:** Margaret Munson reported that National approved the Chapter Bylaws as revised in May. The revised bylaws will be posted on the website. National will also place a copy on file.

### **Committee Reports**

*Membership:* The Chapter has 16 members. Membership renewals will be coming up and the system will change July 1. Renew by June 30, 2022, to renew under the current dues structure.

Kate Mulder is being approved as an administrator on the Chapter Facebook page. Lisa Palmersheim updated the administrator roles for the Facebook page.

*Programs:* The July meeting will be a planning meeting and a transfer of officer materials from outgoing to incoming officers. Outgoing officers should bring their records to the planning meeting.

Cindy Sippel agreed to host the meeting at her home on the regular meeting night – July 13, 2022.

(Note: This following paragraph is for information only and is not part of the formal minutes from the June 14 meeting.) After this evening's program but prior to the call to order for this meeting, Des Moines Chapter President Carrie Dostal talked with our chapter members about the joint meeting. Des Moines is scheduled to host this year. Do we want to continue the traditional meeting? Does our normal meeting night, October 11, 2022, work for our chapter? Do we have suggestions for meeting topics or speakers? The Ames members agreed to discuss this at the planning meeting and report back to the Des Moines chapter. Initial thoughts were favorable to continuing the joint meeting tradition. (End of extra-meeting information.)

*Scholarship:* No report.

*Newsletter:* No report.

*Webmaster:* No report.

### **New Business**

Financial Oversight Committee: President Cheryl Carlile asked for volunteers to serve on the Financial Oversight Committee. Jan Duffy will lead the committee. Cindy Sippel and



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Cheryl Carlile will assist. Jan and Cheryl will report to the membership at the July meeting.

### Announcements

The Chapter is donating \$50 to the Chapter Scholarship Fund in memory of Joseph Sippel, Cindy Sippel's father-in-law who passed away recently.

The National Connect/Advance/Lead Virtual Conference will be held June 23-24.

### Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret Munson, Secretary  
Acting Secretary

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### QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“Know what sparks the light in you so that you, in your own way, can illuminate the world.”

- Oprah Winfrey

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