

AGA Chapter Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

August 6, 2012

Submitted by Rhonda Williams, Secretary

The Chapter Executive Committee for the Nashville Chapter met on Monday, August 6, 2012, in the 15th floor conference room of the James K Polk Building.

Attendees

Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) members present: Ray Register, President; Amy Czerwinski, President-Elect; Shirley Henry, Immediate Past President; Rhonda Williams, Secretary; Kay Ulmer, Treasurer; Jerry Durham, David Lannom, Valerie Oliver, Scarlet Sneed, Leigh Anne Hagar, Jacqueline Laws, Ron Queen, Joe Waldrum, Jennifer Whitsel, and Steve Henley.

Committee member present: Bridget Carver

Call to Order

Ray Register called the meeting to order at 11:21 a.m.

Agenda

Ray passed out an agenda to everyone.

Minutes

Mary Anne Queen had previously distributed the draft minutes for the April 30, 2012, CEC meeting. No one had any corrections. The minutes were considered approved.

Reports from Officers and Committees

President-Elect

Amy Czerwinski had nothing to report.

Immediate Past President

Shirley Henry reported that the PDC had a good representation from our chapter. She stated that there were many sessions and a good variety of topics. At the PDC, Shirley was presented the Platinum Award for the Chapter Recognition Program and the Community Service Award for our chapter. Nathan Abbott was presented the Website Honorable Mention Award. Shirley also reported that our chapter received the Certificate of Excellence for our Member Centric Report for 2011.

Treasurer

Kay Ulmer reported that Kayla Shewcraft had an outstanding payment to take care of before they could go to the bank and have things switched over.

Accountability Outreach

Ray reported that since Karen Hale is now the Regional Vice President she did not feel that she would be able to continue as the Accountability Outreach Chair. He requested that anyone who is interested, please let him know.

Awards

Ray reported that Jeff Hughes had asked to remain as the Awards Committee Chair, and there was nothing to report at this time.

CGFM

Jerry Durham reported that we have two new CGFMs, Robin Bates and Katie Armstrong from the Division of Local Government Audit. He stated that the course study is almost ready for the CGFM exams. He recommended getting letters from Comptroller Wilson and Richard Norment to encourage people to become CGFMs. He also reported that \$109 of the scholarships have been claimed of the \$609 from last year. He also stated that the termination for the awards is within a year.

Community Service

Jacqueline Laws reported that the committee had met and is ready for the upcoming year. She stated that the upcoming events for September are the donation of school supplies and/or monetary donations to Alex Green Elementary (Melvin Jones is the contact person) and the Women's Half Marathon (Rhonda Williams is the contact person).

Corporate Sponsorship

Ray announced that Gerry Boaz will be chairing the Corporate Sponsorship Committee again this year.

Early Careers

Ray reported that we do not have an Early Careers Chair yet.

Education

Ron Queen reported that Corey Tester would be handling the Audio Conferences this year since he did such a great job last year. He stated that we will need to find a place for the Winter Seminar since the Tennessee Room will be unavailable to us this year. He also stated that it is difficult to schedule speakers for the Winter Seminar without a location and dates.

Finance

Ray reported that we do not have a Finance Committee Chair yet. Leigh Anne Hagar volunteered to serve as Chair.

Meetings and Attendance

Scarlet Sneed reported that Co-Chair Bridget Carver would be handling the luncheons for the CEC.

Membership

Valerie Oliver reported that we have 349 members, 40 of whom are new members.

Newsletter

Ray reported that we do not have a Newsletter Editor yet but Penny Austin said that she would continue if no one else volunteered. Joe Waldrum expressed interest in that position.

Program

Jennifer Whitsel reported that they are working on speakers for the luncheons. The speaker for the September luncheon will be G. Robert "Smitty" Smith, Jr., Interim Chair of the MTSU Department of Accounting, with a presentation worth one hour of CPE credit.

Website

Ray reported that he was going to ask Nathan Abbott and Dan Willis to serve again as Co-Chairs of the committee.

Other Items for Discussion

Ray said that if anyone is interested in filling any of the vacancies or if anyone had suggestions of someone to let him know.

It was discussed and passed that our future CEC meetings will be held on the Thursday before the chapter meetings, which will now be on the first Monday of each month (unless it is a holiday).

Ray discussed that we were given two bids for our chapter luncheons and that the CEC members voted to go with the DoubleTree. It was also discussed that the cost per plate went up for the chapter, and therefore, the CEC approved to raise the cost per member to \$12 and the cost for non-members to \$27 to help offset some of the chapter's increased cost. Ray noted that the price for the luncheon has not been raised in several years.

Ray also requested that the committee chairs put their budget information together and send it to Kay Ulmer before the next CEC meeting.

Adjourn

The next CEC meeting was scheduled for Thursday, August 30, 2012, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:28 p.m. Ray adjourned with the following quote for 2012-2013 Leadership Team:

"If one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams, and endeavors to live the life which he has imagined, he will meet with success unexpected in common hours."

Henry David Thoreau