

AGA Chapter Executive Committee Meeting October 30, 2014

Submitted by Janet Stewart, Secretary

The chapter Executive Committee for the Nashville chapter met on Thursday, October 30, 2014, in the 21st floor conference room A of the William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower.

Attendees

Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) members present: Michelle Earhart, President; Janet Stewart, Secretary; Sandra K. Brown, Treasurer; Pamela Marks, Alicia Reynolds, Rachelle Cabading, Andy Furlong, John Dunne, Charlotte Gentry, Cindy Hobbs. **Calling In-** Penny Austin, President-Elect, Kandi Thomas, Michael Edwards, Hellens Cruz-Sanchez.

Committee members present: Gerry Boaz, Drew Sadler, Karen Hale, Nathan Abbott. **Calling In-** Scarlet Sneed, Bridget Carver.

Call to Order

Michelle called the meeting to order at 11:25 a.m.

Agenda

Michelle Earhart passed out the agenda.

Minutes

Michele asked if there were any changes to the minutes. There were none. Cindy Hobbs motioned that the minutes be approved. Pamela Marks seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Reports from Officers and Committees

Immediate Past President

Nothing to report and Rusty Lacy was not present.

President-Elect

Penny Austin – nothing to report

Secretary

Janet Stewart had nothing to report

Treasurer

Sandra Brown passed out the budget and software comparisons. She had emailed the budget information to everyone, some did not receive it, but Sandra was going to make sure that everyone get a copy after the meeting. There were discussions about the software comparisons. APLOS look like the best bargain, with flexible options, eg up to 25 users, free to file 990, monthly or yearly payment. The cost with a 10% discount is \$270. Sandra will purchase it and the chapter will reimburse her. Hellens asked about security. Michelle stated that it was primarily going to be used for general ledger purposes. Sandra did considerable work on the comparisons and Michelle thanked her for it.

Accountability Outreach

Nothing to report

Awards

Jeffery Hughes was not present but National AGA award nominations are due November 7th.

CGFM

Drew gave an update on CGFM prep course numbers at 15, goal is 25. The CGFM drawing winners were as follows:

Mark Tucker - Grand Award, all exams, all print and online study guides = \$744

James Young – all study guides, print and online = \$417

Lauren Brown – all exam parts = \$327

Joy Pierson – one study guide, print and online = \$139

Pam Marks – one exam = \$109

Community Service

Pamela Marks stated that we collected 50lbs of food for Second Harvest Food Bank. We will be collecting items for the Fisher House. An email with the list of items will be sent out and Nathan will put the list on the website. Boxes will be maintained in the various buildings. Michelle – TN Tower, Cindy – Polk Building and Andy – AJ Building

Early Careers

Alicia Reynolds and her committee will get the Scavenger Hunt ready for the newsletter

Education

Rachelle Cabading's report was as follows:

10-8-14 Web Conference 2 hours CPE 70 participants

10-22-14 Web Conference 2 hours CPE 36 participants

Next Web Conference is November 5, 2014 "DATA Act Implementation Challenges"

10-23-14 Fall Breakfast 2 hours CPE 57 participants

Revenue \$1,237.39 (967.39 collected + 270 billed to state agencies)
Expenses \$937
Profit: \$300.39

Winter Seminar - Registration and Schedule for the Winter Seminar should be released in November. CFE is offering remote locations for their training the day before the Winter Seminar in Knoxville, Cookeville, and Jackson.

Michelle asked Rachelle to write up a plan with options for expanding for the next CEC meeting.

Finance

Andy Furlong reported that his committee submitted the history report.
Alex will be at the November luncheon to collect money.

Meetings and Attendance

John Dunne's report was as follows:

- First Google group e-mail meeting notice sent: October 20, 2014
- Reminder Google group e-mail meeting notice send: October 27, 2014
- Final Google group e-mail meeting notice send: October 30, 2014
- Luncheon meeting moved upstairs due to renovations: Salon D/E
- November Meeting Invocation – Gerry Boaz
- Registered Members as of the meeting time:102
- CEC & Member Luncheon Report Distributed
- Names of those collecting money on November 3:Alex Warns

Scarlet asked everyone to review the attendance report that was passed out and to let her know if there were any corrections

Membership

Reported by Charlotte Gentry:

AGA National website membership statistics: Current members 363, new members 21. New members in September: 6; new members in October: 6

AGA Current Members report is not reliably reporting sponsor names. Charlotte is confirming sponsor names with every new member and requesting National to update their listing. National says a new member must enter both the name and ID number of the sponsor, but sponsor names are still being left off of the listing.

Outreach to local governments and universities: We would like to know if anyone has a resource for fiscal director names and addresses of our area's city and county governments, and university financial departments.

Would like to consider having a table at the Nashville Career Fair March 31, 2015

Would like AGA video to be played at November meeting. Michelle stated that we could do that since we do not have a community service speaker.

Would encourage wearing of "Ask Me About Membership" buttons

Newsletter Karen Hale wanted those present to try urge members to submit a picture and spotlight for the newsletter. All submissions for the November newsletter will be due by November 7.

Program The program committee is working on trying to confirm Mayor Karl Dean for the March joint meeting. Hellens stated the program committee will follow up with CTAs to see how many members may be able to attend the luncheon form that group. The CEC discussed the upcoming mixer. The best date was determined to be November 14. The mixer will be partially funded through proceeds from the Membership committee of up to \$200.

Website

President Michelle introduced two new unbudgeted expenses for the Chapter under the Chapter Administration budget line items. The expenses were \$50 for the Application for Registration of a Charitable Organization and \$600 for an Annual event Application filing fee. Both of these fees are charged by the Secretary of State and is needed for the 2015 PDT Community Service raffle. These expenses exceed 10% of the Chapter Administration budget and therefore, Michelle called for a vote to allow expensing the funds. John Dunne made a motion to pass and was seconded by Charlotte Gentry and passed by the voting members.

Adjourn

The next CEC meeting was scheduled for Thursday, November 20, 2014, and Michelle Earhart adjourned the meeting.