



AGA Chapter Meeting Minutes

Date: April 6, 2026



Submitted by Jessica Cox, Secretary

The Nashville Area Chapter held a luncheon meeting at the Double Tree Hotel and via live streaming on Zoom, on Monday, April 6, 2026.

President-elect Donna Jewell called the meeting to order. Aaron Jewell gave the invocation.

Donna announced that the minutes from the last luncheon are on the website and would be considered approved if no one had any changes.

Donna recognized and welcomed 8 new members (Labraunya Horton, Sheanette Spencer, Jeffrey Peek, Joshua Seay, Christa Adams, Caden Abbott, Erik Nieto-Vasquez, and Mark Faughn) since the last meeting, 2 first-time guests (Shea Keith and Jessica Smotherman), and several members from other chapters attending this luncheon meeting.

Katie Armstrong introduced our speaker, Dr. Macel Ely, Executive Director of the Naifeh Center for Effective Leadership, who spoke about "Influence That Drives Results." As a thank you for speaking to the chapter, AGA Nashville Chapter will be making a monetary donation to a charitable organization of Dr. Ely's choice. Dr. Ely selected the Ely Public Service Experience Endowment Fund.

Tyler Winfree won the in-person door prize and Isabella Young won the virtual door prize.

Donna called for announcements from the various committees.

Donna announced that we have one new CGFM - DeAundrea Pointer.

Kelly Armes, community service co-chair, and Drew Sadler, Immediate Past President, announced that the April community service project is collecting monetary donations for Isaiah 117 House. A donation link is available on our website. Also, there will be an in-person volunteer event at the Robertson County Isaiah House on Friday, April 10, 2026, from 3:00-5:00pm.

Katie Armstrong, program co-chair, announced that the spring social will be held at PopStroke on Sunday, April 19, 2026, from 2-4pm. The cost is \$25/person. Reservations can be made on our website.

Bethany Graves, communications co-chair, announced the Spring Breakfast will be held April 20, 2026, from 7:30 to 10:00am. More information on the agenda and registration can be found on our website. Bethany also noted that the Annual Membership Survey would be emailed to all members, and she expressed the importance of participating in that survey. It not only provides useful feedback but also goes toward receiving an Achievements in Chapter Excellence Award.

Jacob Yoquelet, fundraising/sponsorship chair, announced a fundraising event will be held on Saturday April 11, 2026. We will be working a concession stand at Nissan Stadium for Super Cross. Jacob also reminded everyone of another fundraising opportunity. If you shop at Kroger and have a rewards card, you can link that rewards card to AGA (KJ147), and we will receive rewards every time you shop.

There was no further business, and Donna adjourned the meeting.