



AGA Chapter Meeting Minutes

Date: May 18, 2026



Submitted by Jessica Cox, Secretary

The Nashville Area Chapter held a luncheon meeting at the Double Tree Hotel on Monday, May 18, 2026.

President Teryn McNeal called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Melvin Jones gave the invocation.

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

Teryn recognized and welcomed 9 new members since the last meeting (Sherri Cooper-Duru, Paul Fernandez, Jill Lewis, Apryl Ruiz, Kay Stegall, Kerry Watkins, Pamela Heimsness, Nathaniel Wells, and Lisa Lee).

Teryn highlighted the year in review. The Nashville Chapter provided 51 hours of CPE through monthly luncheons, webinars, Winter Seminar, Spring Breakfast, and West TN Chapter events.

Teryn announced that Chelsea Bell won the \$50 drawing for membership renewal. Teryn also announced that 31 members received membership reimbursement for renewing their membership by March 31 and accumulating member points: 14 members received \$55 for earning more than 30 points; 17 received \$45 for earning between 25-29 points. We had 485 members, including 62 new members, for the period 5/1/25-4/30/26. We currently have 419 members.

Kelly Armes presented a year in review for the Community Service Committee. We collected over \$4,780 for 8 different organizations and held 5 in-person volunteer events. We also raised \$1,315 to support scholarship funding. For July/August, we made donations to the National AGA Community Service Fund. In September, we collected school supplies and monetary donations for Alex Green Elementary. In October, we made donations for scholarships and had an in-person event at the Cheekwood Harvest Fall Festival. In November, we collected donations for the Nashville Rescue Mission and served a meal at the women and children's campus. In December, we collected monetary and supply donations for Samaritan Ministries. In January, we collected supplies and monetary donations and held an in-person event for the Nashville Humane Association. In February, we collected monetary donations and had an in-person event where volunteers sorted food at Second Harvest Food Bank. In March, we collected supplies and monetary donations for Walden's Puddle. In April, we collected monetary donations and held an in-person event for Isaiah 117. Awards were presented for the top five community service volunteers.

Rachelle Cabading and ReKeba Doss highlighted the CGFM program year in review. We have 20 new CGFMs, including 2 that have not been recognized yet, Joshua Thomas and Mark White, and a total of 170 in the chapter. 41% of our membership now holds the CGFM designation. A drawing was held for CGFM renewal and new CGFM prizes.

Awards

- Scholarships: Mark White announced that the chapter awarded two \$2,500 scholarships and we had one of the two recipients present. Caden Abbott won the Fawn W. Ellis Scholarship and Kathryn Morphy won the William R. Snodgrass Scholarship.
- Retirements: Mark White recognized retiring members Jim Arnette, Kathy Stickel, and Leigh Ann Burtchaell.
- PDT Registrations: From Nashville Chapter – Kelly Armes and Christopher Bradshaw
- Community Service: Five members received a certificate and \$50: Angela McElrath-Prosser, Kenneth Poole, Scarlet Sneed, Bethany Graves, and Maya Angelova.
- CGFM Drawings: CGFM of the Year (\$100) – Terry Burr
New CGFM awards (\$100 each) – Meagan Hinton, Natalie Massengale, Amy Deaton, Jake Blakely
Renewal awards (\$50 each) – Raechel McBride, Nicole Curtiss Crittenden, Kelly Armes, Scarlet Sneed
- Volunteer of the Year: Teryn presented this award to Angela McElrath-Prosser
- Member of the Year: Teryn presented this award to Bridget Carver
- President's Award: Teryn presented this award to Nicole Curtiss Crittenden
- Stephanie Gravert-Spritzer won the in person \$25 door prize.
- The new CEC Members took the oath and were installed for the upcoming year.
- Teryn passed the gavel to Donna Jewell, and Donna presented Teryn with a plaque for her service as Chapter President.
- There was no further business and Donna adjourned the meeting.