



Lincoln Chapter Association of Government Accountants - Advancing Government Accountability

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Presidents Message

Greetings!

Wow, my year as President Elect really went by fast and the gavel has been passed to me for my second term as Chapter President! I’m looking forward to continuing to work with a great AGA Chapter.

First I would like to start by thanking Adam Brown and the 2018-2019 members of the Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) for their leadership and hard work. Congratulations on another very successful year.

Thanks to all that volunteered to serve on the CEC for 2019-2020. These members are critical to the chapter’s success as they do all the planning for chapter activities and work hard to provide members with quality monthly meetings, two excellent PDT’s, audio conference learning opportunities, and community service events. A list of the 2019-2020 CEC members along with their contact information can always be found at the end of the newsletter. Please be sure to take time to contact them.

To date there are two vacancies remaining on the 2019-2020 CEC. The first is Secretary and the other is President Elect. The Secretary position could be split up between the Chapter Meetings and the CEC meetings to reduce the number of meetings that have to be attended. The CEC is strong and there is a lot of support for the President Elect position which makes the move to President very smooth. If you would like more information or are interested in volunteering for either of these positions please contact me or any CEC member.

In June, we will be working on a survey and putting together the new Program Year. Please take time to complete the survey when you receive it and make comments and suggestions. Please contact Jeff, Lily or any CEC member if you have a speaker or meeting location suggestion. Chapter Meetings will resume in September.

During the past two years National AGA has been working on a new governance structure. The changes will be effect July 1, 2019. Lincoln was in the Mid-West Region and is now part of Section 3 of the new geographic area. One change is the creation of the National Council of Chapters (NCC). There is one board member per Chapter. Tim Baker will be the Lincoln Chapter's representative. There is also now a National Governing Board. Included in this newsletter are several slides with more information on the new structure.

I hope you have a great summer and please keep reading the monthly newsletters and checking the Lincoln Chapter AGA website for upcoming announcements and activities. Like us on Facebook.

Ann Martinez - Lincoln Chapter AGA 2019-2020 President

AGA Lincoln Chapter Meetings

There are no Chapter meetings during the summer. The next Chapter meeting will be on September 18.

Calendar of Events

2019

June 15 - Saturday – CEC Retreat – – Egg & I, 16th & Q Street

June 27 – Thursday - Free Webinar

July 17 - Wednesday – CEC Meeting – 1526 Building – Room TBD

August 21 - Wednesday – CEC Meeting – 1526 Building – Room TBD

September 12 – Thursday – Fall PDT – Location TBD

September 18 - Wednesday – Chapter Meeting – Location TBD

September 24 - Wednesday – CEC Meeting – 1526 Building – Room TBD

CEC Retreat Details

Saturday, June 15, 2019

Location – Egg & I, 16th & Q Street

8:30 – 10:30

Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) Vacancies

The Secretary and President-elect positions are open to be filled for the 2019-2020 AGA year. Please contact Ann if you are interested in joining the CEC.

National AGA Restructuring

See the attached file for information on the restructuring of AGA above the Chapter level.

AGA Members Free Webinar

AGA National is presenting a free Webinar for members.

Professional Development

Professional Resilience

June 27 | 12-1 PM CDT | 1 CPEs | FOS: PD

Program Level: Overview

Field of Study: Personal Development (PD)

In this webinar, the presenter will provide the participants with examples of the trials and tribulations of one financial leader as seen through his own experiences in government service. He will share the unusual events and the sometimes entertaining results. A participant will be treated to a few inspiring stories about and quotes from federal/state/national figures designed to foster a greater appreciation of the specific skills, actions, and results that help one deal with day to day adversity. Participants will be provided a list of tools needed to succeed in government financial management. The purpose of the session is to encourage participants to foster enthusiastic but realistic approaches to day to day events in their professional careers and help participants maintain a focus in their careers on those significant elements necessary for success. Finally, the discussion will focus on how AGA can help participants cope with adversity and take advantage of challenging opportunities.

Register at:

<https://www.agacgfm.org/Webinars/2018-2019-Webinars/Professional-Development.aspx>

Maintaining Your CGFM Certification

To retain the CGFM certification, all CGFMs must adhere to the AGA's [Code of Ethics](#). In addition, to continue using the CGFM designation after their name, CGFMs must be in an active status.

To maintain the CGFM certification in an active status, CGFMs are required to:

- Pay the CGFM renewal fee by the due date every year.
- Complete at least 80 hours of Continuing Professional Education (CPE) every two years in government financial management topics or related technical subjects (within the designated two-year cycle).
- Maintain and, if requested by AGA, provide detailed information on CPE hours completed.

- By submitting their annual renewal payment, CGFMs affirm that they have and will continue to abide by AGA's [Code of Ethics](#) and that they have fulfilled the [minimum CPE Requirements](#).

Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Requirements

All active CGFMs are required to complete at least 80 hours of continuing professional education (CPE) every two years in government financial management topics or related technical subjects. The 80 CPE hours must be completed within the CGFM's two-year CPE cycle. [See Calendar of CPE cycles](#).

CGFMs do not need to submit supporting documentation of the CPE hours at the time of renewal. The payment itself serves as the CGFM's affirmation of his or her compliance with the CPE requirements. CGFMs are required to maintain supporting documentation on CPE hours earned for a minimum of three years and provide it to AGA upon request. This documentation may be requested by AGA as part of the annual audit of a random sample of CGFMs.

Waivers or extensions on earning CPE hours are granted on an individual case basis. All requests for waivers must be sent in writing to AGA's Office of Professional Certification no later than April 30 in the year following the end of the two-year CPE cycle.

See [CPE FAQ](#) for frequently asked questions.

Lincoln Chapter Facebook

Go to the AGA Lincoln Chapter Facebook page to stay up to date on AGA Lincoln Chapter events.

<https://www.facebook.com/Lincoln-Chapter-Association-of-Government-Accountants-138602086282831/>

Members in the News

If you or someone you know has made a career change, had another significant life experience, or otherwise has news to share please email Frank Faughn – Chapter Membership Director at frank.faughn@nebraska.gov

CGFM News

CGFM Month

March is just around the corner, that means it is CGFM Month. Learn more about watching this one minute video on the value and benefits of CGFM certification.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vUsHRRxO1lo&feature=youtu.be>

CGFM Apparel

Looking to purchase a shirt with the CGFM designation? Whether you're at work, out in town, at a conference or on the golf course, show everyone how proud you are of your CGFM designation by wearing CGFM apparel. Buy yours today! Note: White shirts will be embroidered with the red and gold CGFM logo, and red shirts will be embroidered with an all gold logo. A \$5.95 logo embroidery fee will be added to each item purchased.

Please visit the AGA store at: <http://business.landsend.com/store/agamembership>

Lincoln Chapter Meeting Minutes – May 8, 2019

The May 8th Chapter meeting was held at the 1526 K Street Building on the 4th floor, Lincoln. There were 24 people in attendance including one guest.

Adam Brown, Chapter President, called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm and welcomed everyone in attendance. He noted the “Meals on Wheels” volunteer opportunity and passed the sign-up sheet around. Adam then listed the name and position served of the 2018-2019 Chapter Officers and went on to pass the gavel and post-office key to the new Chapter President Ann Martinez.

Ann thanked the new members of the Board for 2019-2020 and mentioned that the Lincoln AGA Chapter is still in need of a President Elect and Secretary to serve. She went on to remind all of the May 15 Webinar (Fraud and Data Analytics for 2 CPE’s) and the July 21-24th National PDT training. She also mentioned to check out the Lincoln Chapter Facebook page and to “like us”. Ann thanked Jeff Filbert for the hard work in bringing the meeting together.

Jeff introduced Gerry Oligmueller. Gerry spoke on the General Fund Financial Status and Bills with General Fund Impact.

Gerry drew the winning raffle ticket. Kelly Lambert won the \$15.00 drawing.

Presented by Chris Barber, Secretary and Past President

Lincoln Chapter CEC Meeting Minutes – May 15, 2019

Lincoln Chapter of AGA - CEC Meeting 18-19
May 15, 2019
12:00-1:00
1526 Bldg., Lower Level, Training Room

President – Adam

Need a volunteer to take the minutes for meetings. Tim Channer took the minutes.

President-Elect – Ann

LEAD! West in KC – Discussed LEAD

Final Chapter Recognition Program submission due 05-31. Ann is working on Points.

Secretary -

Approval of prior meeting minutes. Ann made a motion to approve and Frank seconded the motion. All voted yes.

Treasurer – Dan

Approval of Budget/Financial Report. Tim C made a motion to approve and Frank seconded. All voted yes.

Education – Char & Ralene Webinar is on the 17.

Membership/Young Professionals – Frank No Report

Meetings – Jeff & Lily - No Report

Community Service – Jessica – Discussed Meals on Wheels

Professional Certification – Candace - No Report

Accountability & Outreach – Ralene – No Report

Sponsorships – Tim B – No Report

Bylaws – Ron – No Report

Other Old Business

Ken’s Proposal / Further discussion @ Retreat

Lincoln Chapter of AGA - CEC Meeting 19-20

May 15, 2019

12:00-1:00

1526 Bldg., Lower Level, Training Room

President – Ann

Survey - Ann will pursue

Retreat - Will Schedule for June 15 details will be sent out later

Program Plans – Ann will send out the old plans and they will be discussed at the Retreat.

19-20 Budget – Will discuss at the Retreat

President-Elect – Vacant No Report

Past President – Adam – No Report

Secretary – Vacant – No Report

Treasurer – Dan – No Report

Education – Char & Ralene

Fall PDT Scheduled for September 12

Membership/Young Professionals – Frank – No Report

Meetings – Jeff & Lily – The September Chapter meeting will be September 18 and the CEC meeting will be September 24.

Community Service – Jessica - No Report

Professional Certification – Candace – No Report

Accountability & Outreach – Ralene – No Report

Sponsorships – Tim B – No Report

Bylaws – Ron – Discussed that changes may need to be made to the Bylaws because of the restructuring done by National.

Communications – Tim C and Staci – Newsletter deadline is May 28.

Other New Business - None

CGFM Study Guides

New CGFM study guides are available. The Chapter is willing to purchase the new guides if anyone is interested in using them. We have 2014 CGFM Study Guides and they are available for you today. Please contact Candace Meredith for more information. cmeredith@lancaster.ne.gov

Speakers and Topics

If you have any suggestions for speakers or topics for chapter meetings please call or email Lily Kathee, NMLS MBA 402-471-0601 Lily.Kathee@nebraska.gov or Jeff Filbert 402-471-9114 Jeff.Filbert@nebraska.gov

Guests

Bring a guest to a Chapter meeting. They will get a free lunch. If they join you get a free lunch.

Email Addresses

Please remember to send any email address changes to Tim Channer so the mailing list can be updated. Thanks

TREASURER'S REPORT			
2018-2019			
Year 6-2018 to 5-2019	Budget	To Date	Remaining
			April 1, 2019
			\$13,336.16
Receipts:			
Spring Conference	\$7,390.00	\$7,520.00	\$130.00
Fall Conference	\$7,390.00	\$3,455.00	(\$3,935.00)
			Receipts:
			Spring PDT
			\$910.00

Other Educational Events	\$600.00	\$75.00	(\$525.00)	Other Educational Events	\$0.00
Corporate Sponsors	\$2,000.00	\$4,500.00	\$2,500.00	CD-Deposit	\$0.00
Misc. Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Miscellaneous	\$0.00
Interest Income	\$5.00	\$0.00	(\$5.00)	Interest Income	\$0.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Total Receipts:	<u>\$17,385.00</u>	<u>\$15,550.00</u>	<u>(\$1,835.00)</u>	Total Receipts	\$910.00
Disbursements:				Disbursements:	
Spring Professional Train.	\$4,000.00	\$3,788.86	\$211.14	spring PDT	\$0.00
Fall Professional Train.	\$6,220.00	\$3,461.61	\$2,758.39	National-PDT	\$0.00
Education-Non-PDT	\$2,105.00	\$439.00	\$1,666.00	Member Support	\$15.00
National PDT	\$2,750.00	\$2,947.62	(\$197.62)	Community Service	\$0.00
Membership Support	\$800.00	\$538.75	\$261.25	Chapter Leadership	\$2.00
Early Careers	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	Certification	\$0.00
Communications-Website	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Chapter Award	\$0.00
Chapter Leadership	\$100.00	\$100.66	(\$0.66)	Education Non-PDT	\$80.00
Certification	\$850.00	\$0.00	\$850.00	Total Disbursements	\$97.00
Accountability and Outreach	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Community Service	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$125.00	April 30, 2019	\$14,149.16
Chapter Award	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$50.00		
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Checking	\$14,149.16
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Certificates of Deposit	\$0.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Total	\$14,149.16
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Total Disbursements:	<u>\$17,850.00</u>	<u>\$11,326.50</u>	<u>\$6,523.50</u>		

2019-2020 CHAPTER OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

Officers:	Name	Phone	Email
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Secretary	Vacant		
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