



Lincoln Chapter Association of Government Accountants - Advancing Government Accountability

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Newsletter – March, 2021

Presidents Message

The 20-21 Chapter year is moving quickly and ends in May. If you are interested in serving on the Chapter's CEC (Chapter Executive Committee) as either an officer or program director/co-director please contact Frank Faughn–President Elect, any current CEC member or myself. The CEC is a supportive group and the time commitment is very manageable. CEC member contact information can always be found in the newsletter or on the Chapter's website.

There are still key positions open for next program year;

- President-Elect
- Co-Director – Education PDT
- Co-Director – Communications - Website
- Director – Accountability & Outreach
- Director – Chapter Meetings
- Director – CGFM – Professional Certification
- Director – Community Service

April is normally when the Chapter votes on the new program year's slate of officers and directors at the Chapter meeting. We will be using email voting in May for the 21-22 Program Year.

It is AGA membership renewal time. Recently AGA National sent out emails and letters with membership reminder information. The info includes the log in information needed to renew online. The Lincoln Chapter doesn't have a Chapter membership cost. If an approval is required prior to processing your renewal, an invoice can be printed out. The State's PCard can be used to renew your membership online.

Membership renewal time is a great time to think about the value and benefits of an AGA membership – the various Tool Kits that are available, Free CPE's, free member only Webinars that include free CPE's and Training Registration discounts at the National and Local Levels, free publications, a Career Center, Networking and Leadership opportunities at the Local and National Levels. As always AGA membership is a great value and you are a part of a top national professional organization. COVID has changed many things, but AGA has continued to provide great value with various virtual events.

The CEC continues to look at other virtual training opportunities. Please contact Tim, Frank, or me if you have suggestions regarding training topics and/or speakers.

Ann Martinez, 20-21 Chapter President

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No Chapter Meetings are currently scheduled.

Calendar of Events

2021

Tuesday, April 20, 2021 – Chattanooga Tennessee AGA Chapter Webinar

Wednesday- April 21, 2021- Conf. Room TBD and Conf. Call

May 7 – Friday –National Virtual LEAD Training

Webinar

The Chattanooga AGA Chapter is offering a virtual webinar training opportunity.

April 2021 Virtual Meeting: [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER \(ZOOM\)](#)

Topic: *COT's Cyber Security Aware*

Date: Tuesday, April 20, 2021

Time: 12:00pm EST

Cost: \$10.00 (*Organization will be billed*)

CPE Credit Hours: (1)

Topic Summary: Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury's Cyber Aware Program

Speaker's Background:

Jim Arnette, CISA, CGFM

Director, Division of Local Government Audit

Jim Arnette is the Director of Local Government Audit for the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury. He is responsible for the annual financial and compliance audits of all 95 Tennessee counties, and monitors the annual audits of more than 1,600 municipalities, non-profits, and related local government entities. The Division is also responsible for reviewing

the funds administered by District Attorneys General and Judicial District Drug Task Forces. Jim assists local governments in implementing new auditing and accounting standards, and works with the Tennessee General Assembly on legislation impacting local governments.

Jim has worked with the Comptroller's Office for 37 years. He began his career as a Systems Analyst with the Office of Management Services before being asked to establish County Audit's Information Technology Audit function, which was responsible for general and application control reviews in county governments across the state. He was named division director in 2007 and was named Director of the new Division of Local Government Audit in 2012. In 2019, Jim was recognized by the Tennessee General Assembly with a special resolution for his exceptional leadership, long-standing government service and significant contributions, both in our state and nationally.

Jim is a graduate of Middle Tennessee State University. He is a Certified Government Financial Manager and Certified Information Systems Auditor. Jim is an active member of the Nashville Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants and served as AGA's National President for the 2017-2018 program year. He currently is chair of AGA's Governance Committee and is serving as co-chair of AGA's 2021 Professional Development Training Technical Committee. In 2020, Jim received AGA's Robert W. King Memorial Award. This award is AGA's highest honor conferred to a member for distinguished service of such significance that AGA's national prestige and stature were greatly enhanced.

Jim and his wife Carla live in Franklin, Tennessee. They are the parents of two daughters Allie and Jayce. In his spare time, Jim enjoys family time, playing golf, watching sports, going to the beach, and doing yard work.

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/>

Lincoln Chapter CEC Minutes – March 17, 2021

President Ann Martinez called the meeting to order. A quorum was present.

Ann reviewed a few matters for the board. For our Chapter quarterly submission for ACE, Ann reported our FY20 financial records has been reviewed with no findings.

For Education, some follow-up work needs to be done for the February 9th virtual meeting. Certificates of Attendance need to be sent out, which Ann will take care of. Ralene registered our Chapter to participate in national AGA's webinar on Ethics which will be conducted April 7th. Ann will get the information on this webinar for inclusion in our newsletter and given to Staci to post on our website.

There are no updates on Chapter meetings.

For Membership, the CEC discussed renewals. Quite a few remain. A document was distributed showing members who need to renew. CEC members are encouraged to call anyone whom they know. Frank was looking at AGA National resources to use to contact members that hadn't renewed yet.

There was no discussion for Accountability & Outreach.

For Communications, Tim C mentioned he would like articles by around March 30 for the newsletter.

For Professional Certification, Candace Meredith will take care of this for our Chapter again, even as a non-member. She will obtain proclamations from the City and State as well as send congratulations to CGFM members.

For Community Service, Jessica provided information for helping with the Junior Achievement fundraiser Bowl-a-thon. This will be held April 17th. She will give the CEC members the first opportunity to fill slots, then the general Chapter membership.

Tim B discussed Chapter sponsorships and National AGA matters. He announced Gilmore Bell will renew. The National Leadership Training was very successful as a virtual event, with record participation. The national AGA PDT will be conducted virtually July 18-21. It had been scheduled for Nashville but that agreement was cancelled and replaced with the commitment to return in 2025. There are activities around re-branding AGA and renaming the association. National AGA has experienced a very positive cash flow for 2020.

Next, Dan presented the Treasurer's report for February. This report showed income from both Infor and Piper for their corporate sponsorships. Frank moved acceptance, Tim C seconded, and the motion passed.

For prior CEC meeting minutes, Ken stated the February minutes had been published in the January newsletter. He mentioned a correction needed to be made. The mention had been made that the financial review had been completed for FY21 and this needed to be corrected to FY20. With this correction, Tim C moved acceptance, Ron seconded, and the minutes were approved as corrected.

Final business was regarding the Bylaws. Ron reported that he had spent considerable time reviewing the new Bylaw template provided by national AGA. He stated that of what he had read that Lincoln Chapter Bylaws comply just fine. He will complete his review and prepare a draft of the Bylaws to be reviewed, discussed, and accepted by the CEC during the April meeting. This will then go to the general membership for approval.

The meeting was adjourned.

Ken Rouch, Secretary

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>

CGFM Study Guides

The Chapter has purchased new CGFM study guides. Please contact Ann Martinez for more information.

Speakers and Topics

If you have any suggestions for speakers or topics for chapter meetings please call or email Ann Martinez.

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					
2020-2021					
Year 6-2020 to 5-2021	Budget	To Date	Remaining		
				February 1, 2021	\$18,629.92
Receipts:				Receipts:	
Spring Conference	\$7,000.00	\$0.00	(\$7,000.00)	Fall PDT	\$0.00
Fall Conference	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Other Educational Events	\$0.00
Other Educational Events	\$300.00	\$0.00	(\$300.00)	Sponsor	\$3,750.00
Corporate Sponsors	\$2,000.00	\$3,750.00	\$1,750.00	Miscellaneous	\$0.00
Misc. Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Interest Income	\$0.00
Interest Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Total Receipts	\$3,750.00
Total Receipts:	\$9,300.00	\$3,750.00	(\$5,550.00)	Disbursements:	
Disbursements:				Fall PDT	\$0.00
Spring Professional Train.	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	National-PDT	\$0.00
Fall Professional Train.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Member Support	\$0.00
Education-Non-PDT	\$1,800.00	\$349.00	\$1,451.00	Early Careers	\$0.00
National PDT	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	Chapter Leadership	\$59.64
Membership Support	\$775.00	\$0.00	\$775.00	Chapter Award	\$0.00
Early Careers	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	Community Service	\$0.00
				Education Non-PDT	\$0.00

Communications-Website	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Total Disbursements	<u>\$59.64</u>
Chapter Leadership	\$100.00	\$137.04	(\$37.04)		
Certification	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	February 28, 2021	<u>\$22,320.28</u>
Accountability and Outreach	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Community Service	\$125.00	\$60.00	\$65.00	Checking	\$22,320.28
Chapter Award	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	Certificates of Deposit	<u>\$0.00</u>
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Total	<u>\$22,320.28</u>
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
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	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Total Disbursements:	<u>\$9,300.00</u>	<u>\$596.04</u>	<u>\$8,703.96</u>		

2020-2021 CHAPTER OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

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