**Northern Virginia AGA (NOVAGA) Chapter Board Meeting**

**Minutes**

**September 27, 2021 – 12:00PM**

**Dial-in: 1-877-216-1555 Code: 538654**

1. **Introductions**

Mr. Justin Lang called the meeting to order at 12:04pm and began the meeting with roll call. Please see Appendix A for status of board members’ attendance.

1. **Review and Approval of Past Board Meeting Minutes (provided with agenda)**

Mr. Lang motioned to accept the minutes of the April 30, 2021 board meeting. There being no objection, the minutes were approved unanimously.

1. **Board Matters**
   1. CGFM Study Group

Mr. Kevin Shers stated there was a joint session being scheduled with the Richmond and DC chapters, scheduled for the week of December 9th for Exam 1. It will use the gotowebinar platform.

* 1. Ethics Workshop for Virginia CPAs

Ms. Katie Labadie provided an update for the upcoming workshop for VA CPAs that would satisfy the VA ethics CPE requirements. Mr. Reza Mahbod and Mr. Mike Frederickson will be the instructors. The cost would be $25; although Ms. Sonia Kessler mentioned that a $10 cost was approved at the prior meeting.

Mr. Raymond Urias-Rivera inquired whether it would be an in-person or remote event. After discussion, it made sense to keep it a virtual/remote platform. Ms. Labadie confirmed the use of the gotowebinar platform. She also mentioned that Ms. Katrina Samiley would be preparing the ethics paperwork in October or November. Ms. Labadie also confirmed that an email would go out in the next few days.

* 1. NASBA Renewal

Mr. Kevin Love stated that the chapter’s NASBA renewal had been submitted and that the associated dues had been paid.

1. **Upcoming Chapter Events** 
   1. October Chapter Meeting

Mr. Lang stated that the October chapter meeting would feature Michael Bingham from the assurance team at the Government Accountability Office (GAO); he will discuss the effects of COVID and changes and developments to GAO standards. Updates will be posted to the chapter’s website and sent via email.

* 1. November Chapter Meeting

Mr. Lang stated the November chapter meeting is set for either November 16th or 17th and will be a joint event with the DC chapter and will feature George Jenkins, NIST CFO.

* 1. Holiday Party

The Holiday party will be a joint event with the DC chapter on December 2nd. It will be held at Wild Fire restaurant in Tysons Corner. It is currently scheduled for 7pm, but that time may be adjusted closer to the event.

1. **Open Forum** 
   1. Other topics and concerns for discussion

Ms. Kessler stated that newsletter is due to be published in another 6 weeks; information is needed timely to publish on time.

There being no new business discussed, Mr. Justin Lang adjourned the meeting at 12:16pm.

**Appendix A: Board Members in Attendance**

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| Name | Board Position | In Attendance |
| Justin Lang | President | YES |
| TBA | President Elect | N/A |
| Marc Hebert | Immediate Past President | NO |
| Christine Turner | Regional Vice President | NO |
| Sonia Kessler | Secretary/Historian | YES |
| Mike Fredrickson | Treasurer | YES |
| Reza Mahbod | Assistant Treasurer | YES |
| Brian Grega | Accountability/Outreach Chair | YES |
| VACANT | Accountability/Outreach | VACANT |
| Raymond Urias-Rivera | Awards Chair | YES |
| Kevin Shers | CGFM (Certification) Chair | YES |
| VACANT | CGFM (Certification) | VACANT |
| VACANT | CGFM (Certification) | VACANT |
| VACANT | Chapter Recognition Chair | VACANT |
| Robin McCoy | Chapter Recognition | NO |
| Fatima Zoury | Community Services Co-Chair | NO |
| April Leonard | Community Services Co-Chair | NO |
| Neda Haghighat | Corporate Sponsorship Chair | YES |
| Samrawit Yohannes | Corporate Sponsorship | NO |
| James Gould | Education Committee Chair | NO |
| Kevin Love | Education | YES |
| Matt Menchi | Programs Chair | NO |
| VACANT | Programs | VACANT |
| Jacob MacDonald | Membership Chair | YES |
| Christopher Choi | Membership | NO |
| Xiaolei Wang | Membership | YES |
| April Leonard | Membership | N/A |
| Irfan Satriadhi | Membership | NO |
| Jacob MacDonald | Early Careers Chair | N/A |
| Kris Samiley Gonzales | Early Careers | YES |
| Xiaolei Wang | Early Careers | N/A |
| Naomi Martinez | Newsletter Editor | YES |
| Sonia Kessler | Supporting Newsletter Editor | N/A |
| Zak Kennedy | Correspondence Chair | YES |
| Katie Labadie | Special Events Chair | YES |
| Katrina Samiley | Special Events | NO |
| Zak Kennedy | Webmaster | N/A |
| Neda Haghighat | Supporting Webmaster | N/A |