

Association of Government Accountants – Olympia Chapter

Board Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2021

Virtual Meeting

Present:

Stefanie Niemela
Maryam Jacobs
Denise Nguyen
Bret Brodersen

Heidi Algieri
Kari Summerour
Laura Saunders

Absent:

Mike Paquette

President's Report (Stefanie Niemela):

- Stefanie reported that the National office has changed their process for chapter events and are now requiring information prior to any local event.
- Minutes for August 2021 were approved.
- Heidi pointed out that many of the board members and AGA members will probably be very busy in October and part of November. She recommended any new event be planned for later in November. Board members also agreed to cancel the October 2021 meeting.
- Stefanie reminded members that the nationals are requiring changes to the chapter by-laws. She will send out these needed revisions, along with the current by-laws, for discussion in the November 2021 meeting.

Treasurer's Report (Denise Nguyen):

- Denise presented the Treasurer's Report for September 2021. The account balance, as of September 30, 2021 was \$11,051.95. Two checks, totaling \$230, remain outstanding.

On-Line Education (Heidi Algieri):

- The flyer for the November 2021 Ethics webinar is completed and will be distributed this week. Heidi will ask Anwar to distribute the document and it will be forwarded to Bret for the members and local organizations, and to Maryam for distribution to IIA and the colleges. For the training, Denise will take care of the attendee list and Stefanie will handle CPE certificates. Denise asked if any of the board members would be attending and Kari and Maryam requested Denise to enroll them in the seminar.
- Heidi is working on the flyer for the October webinar. She will distribute it this week for distribution. As discussed in prior meetings, the announcement will go out to AGA membership first, and later will be sent out to all state agencies.

Live Programs (All):

- Stefanie was contacted by the AGA's recommended Treasury speaker and requested a presentation on the topics agreed upon in prior meetings (COVID relating federal funding) between October and December 2021. She has not heard back yet.

Membership Report (Bret Brodersen):

- Brett reported that Bob Maki, from WSP has retired and a new person taking his place as a new AGA member.

Scholarship and Early Education Chair (Kari Summerour)

- Kari reported that she now has the name of the Department Chair for St. Martin's accounting program and is drafting an email to contact them. She will send the email out to Stefanie for review before sending it out to the chair.
- Board members then discussed the Centralia College scholarship. The award ceremony for the scholarship was on September 15, but none of the board members were able to attend. The chapter hasn't received an invoice for the scholarship amount, but Bret noted this may be due to scheduling changes resulting from COVID restrictions.

Chapter Recognition (Laura Saunders):

- Laura reminded the board that the chapter report is due the first part of November and asked board members to send her anything that needs to be in the report.
- The board discussed plans to increase recognition points for this fiscal period and decided that plans for this can be discussed in the November board meeting.

Web Master (Mike Paquette):

No update

Secretary Report (Maryam Jacobs):

No update

Community Service (All):

No update

Other Business:

- Heidi reported that she checked mail a couple of weeks ago and will check it again soon.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Next meeting location and date:

November 16, 2021 – 12:00 p.m.

Virtual