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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Be sure to check out the upcoming educational events calendar in this edition and don't skip over page 2 for a look at a job opportunity you may want to check out along with some National AGA news.

We look forward to seeing you all at an upcoming PLS event!



Our next CEC meeting is Wed, March 13 at Norseman Brewery about 5:15 PM. Hope to see you there!

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Associate Performance Auditor or Performance Auditor

To be considered, apply at www.kslpa.org/jobs/ EOE

If you aspire to make a difference and are looking for a rewarding career that supports work/life balance, consider joining the dedicated professionals at the Legislative Division of Post Audit, the audit arm of the Kansas Legislature. Our teams assess the performance of state government agencies in the areas of efficiency, effectiveness, and compliance. Our office supports the Legislature, state government, and the citizens of Kansas in an environment that encourages professional development and recognizes the need to balance work and family. We are an equal opportunity employer.

Starting Salary

The starting salary for this challenging and rewarding position is \$42,000 to \$56,000, depending on your education and previous experience.

Job Incentives

Our staff enjoy:

- a pay-for-performance environment with a defined career path
 - opportunities for professional development and continued skills training
 - opportunities for advancement
 - engaged and dedicated leadership
 - work-life balance incentives such as telecommuting, flexible schedules, and casual dress code most of the year
 - strong retirement benefits
 - comprehensive medical and dental health plans
 - 10 paid holidays per year plus vacation and sick leave
- other financial planning options such as life and disability insurance, student savings plans, and deferred compensation options

Job Duties and Responsibilities

Associate auditors and auditors complete the following duties:

- assist with audit planning
 - interview agency officials and others
 - review agency records
 - sample, analyze, and test data using various software and analytical techniques
 - assemble, synthesize, and summarize qualitative and quantitative information to answer defined objectives
- assist with writing audit reports

Required and Preferred Qualifications

A bachelor's degree in any discipline is required. Preferred qualifications include:

- a degree in business or public administration, economics, mathematics, political science, or other relevant discipline
 - a graduate degree
 - six months to two years' experience in an organizational setting
- experience in auditing or program evaluation

Conditions of Employment

The successful candidate must be eligible to obtain an agency security clearance and pass a fingerprint-based criminal history background check. The candidate also must relocate near the Topeka, Kansas area.



**Executive Committee Meeting Minutes Topeka Chapter
January 21, 2019**

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Members Present:

President, Nicole Malott, CGFM
Secretary, Amy Bloom, MBA
Treasurer, Dane Curtis, MBA
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Meeting Location: Margarita's Jalisco @ 12:45PM

- ◇ Review/Approval of past meeting minutes from 12/17/18 meeting. Dane made a motion to approve; seconded by Amy. 4 Yea, 0 Nay.
- ◇ Financial Report from Dane: No Chapter PLS's since Oct for revenues. Dane stated there is a Treasurer's webinar at 1PM CST on Feb. 20 if anyone is interested in learning the ins/outs of the CEC treasurer role.
- ◇ Website/Newsletter: Feature new members in upcoming Newsletter. Need to include Hope and Dane intro.
- ◇ Educational Events: Speaker(s) from PPMG for Cybersecurity seminar in March and speaker(s) from KDOL for May seminar on Fraud/Data Analytics.
- ◇ SLMR Feb 9 in KC.

- ◇ LEAD Apr 25-27 in KC. Registrations due by March 1.
- ◇ N C of C Rep – Hope will check her schedule for conflicts. If Hope is unable, Nicole may serve. Update: 01/23/19: Hope unable to serve.
- ◇ Other Items for Discussion – Quizzes are free during federal government shutdown.
- ◇ Next Meeting – Feb 20th at Norseman Brewery at 5:15PM
- ◇ Dane made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Amy. Meeting adjourned at 1:47pm

What is CGFM?



Certified Government Financial Manager® (CGFM®) is a professional certification awarded by AGA, demonstrating competency in governmental accounting, auditing, financial reporting, internal controls and budgeting at the federal, state and local levels.

What are the initial requirements?

To earn the CGFM, individuals must apply for the CGFM program and meet the following requirements:

[Ethics](#) — read and agree to abide by AGA's *Code of Ethics*

[Education](#) — have a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university

[Examinations](#) — pass three comprehensive CGFM examinations

[Experience](#) — have at least two years of professional-level experience in government financial management

Maintaining 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.

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](#).