

## **AGA Chapter Meeting Minutes**

**May 8, 2017**

*Submitted by Donna Jewell*

The Nashville Area Chapter held its meeting at the Double Tree Hotel on Monday, May 8, 2017.

President Angela McElrath-Prosser called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Greg Worley gave the invocation.

Angela announced that the minutes from the last luncheon are on the website and would be considered approved if no one had any changes. Angela and Scarlet Sneed, Meetings and Attendance Chair, thanked the DoubleTree staff for their excellent service throughout the program year.

Angela honored Rebecca Troyani who recently retired from the Comptroller's Office. She also stated that our chapter has 32 members with over 30 years of service to the chapter. Of those 32, three were present at today's meeting: Ann Collett, Shirley Henry, and Clare Tucker.

Charlotte Gentry presented the four scholarships. Kaitlin Tucker and Courtney Fowler were the recipients of the Fawn Ellis Memorial Scholarship and were in attendance at the meeting. Alex Britt and Maikel Mikaiel were the recipients of the William R. Snodgrass Scholarship and could not attend today due to their final exams schedule.

Charlotte also drew names from those who had received more than 25 participation points for a trip to the National Professional Development Conference to be held in Boston in July. Melissa Boaz was the winner. If she cannot attend, Emily Gray and Victor Nwanso were drawn as alternates.

Angela presented the Member of the Year Award to Nathan Abbott for all of his hard work on behalf of the Chapter. She also presented the President's Award to John Dunne and Bridget Carver.

Emily Gray and Keevia Battle announced the winners of the Community Service Awards. Maya Angelova, Charlotte Gentry, and Michael Winston were recognized for their participation in multiple community service projects.

Bridget Carver announced that Paul Havlicek had won the prize for sponsoring the most new members since January. In addition, 16 individuals had earned the dues rebate for receiving 30 participation points and renewing their membership by March 31st. Those will receive a check for a portion of their dues refunded. Bridget also held a drawing of those individuals who had renewed their membership by March 31<sup>st</sup> for a \$50 prize. Don Vanatta won that drawing.

Michael Winston discussed some of the CGFM highlights from the year. We started off the year by being awarded the CGFM award at last year's National PDT. Six study guides were

purchased by the chapter; five exam subsidies were awarded; four study sessions were held; three passed the CGFM exam and became certified; and two members were awarded renewal subsidies. In addition, both the State of Tennessee and Metro Davidson County recognized March as CGFM month.

Angela announced the winners of the newsletter awards: Britt Wood won for her non-technical article, and Lou Goins won for her technical article.

Rachelle Cabading announced that there will be another webinar on May 17<sup>th</sup> on the DATA Act. In addition, those who had obtained 7 or more participation points in the Education category were included in a drawing for a gift card. Melissa Lahue won that drawing.

Angela then installed the new officers for the 2017-2018 program year.

Angela reviewed the chapter's many accomplishments this year, including the following:

- 40 hours of CPE offered
- 26 members received at least 25 participation points for the PDT drawing
- 16 members received at least 30 participation points for the renewal subsidy
- 9 community service projects were available to members

Penny Austin, Past President, gave Angela a plaque in honor of her year as President of the Chapter.

Kay Ulmer won the \$25 door prize.

There was no further business and Angela declared the meeting adjourned.