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**Please note the September
meeting will be at Pazzesco
Pasta and Chophouse, 6008
W. Lincoln Way, Ames**

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MISSION STATEMENT

To enable women in all accounting and related fields to achieve their full personal, professional and economic potential and to contribute to the future development of their profession.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Ready or not – fall is here!! Pools are closed and schools are open. Summer vacations are over and it's time to gear up again for another great year of networking, expanding our knowledge, and having a good time with friends who also happen to be accountants. Join us at our meetings each month to learn something new and enjoy a meal and the camaraderie of women who will understand the accomplishments and frustrations of your day as only another woman accountant can! This year we will have additional leadership opportunities as we plan and present the 2011 North Central Regional Conference next July. I hope to see you at **Pazzesco Pasta and Chophouse** on Wednesday, September 15 at 5:30!

Marilyn

AGENDA

American Society of
Women Accountants
Ames Chapter #158
September 15, 2010

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MEETING INFORMATION

Date: Wed, September 15th 2010

Time: 5:30 PM Social Time
6:00 PM Speaker
7:00 PM Dinner

Speaker: Kathryn Platts, Academic
Advisor at ISU

Topic: Time Management

Location: **Pazzesco Pasta and
Chophouse**
6008 W Lincolnway
Ames, IA 50014
www.pazzescochophouse.com

June 2010 MINUTES

June Minutes

American Society of Women Accountants
Ames Chapter #158
Membership Meeting
June 16, 2010

Call to Order: The June 2010 Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Stephanie Roscoe in Ames at 7:10 pm on Wednesday, June 16, 2010. Those in attendance were Marilyn Moehlmann, Soma Mitra, Margaret Munson, Kathy Strum, Cindy Sippel, Lisa Shen, Karen Jacobson, Kate Mulder, Stephanie Roscoe, Penny Strum, Lisa Lembke and Janet Mortvedt. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes: Some corrections were noted for the April minutes. Kathy Strum moved to approve the minutes as amended. Marilyn Moehlmann seconded the motion which passed. The May meeting was a joint meeting with the Des Moines chapter. No business meeting was conducted.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was distributed and placed on file for review. Several items were discussed including the scholarship checks which have not been sent and the concession money which has not been received.

Committee Reports:

Membership Committee: A drawing was held for members who brought guests to meetings this year. Lisa Shen was the winner of the drawing.

Program: The July meeting will be our planning meeting for the coming year. The meeting will be at Kate Mulder's house and dinner will be a salad pot luck.

Bulletin: No report.

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Scholarship: No report.

Outreach: Nothing to report.

By-laws: Kathy Strum reviewed the by-laws to see if any changes were needed based on changes to the National by-laws. No changes are needed.

Old Business:

Regional Conference Update: The committee reported that the 2011 Regional Conference will be in Ames at the ISU Memorial Union. Tentative dates discussed were May 19-21, 2011. Kate was going to check to see if there is another regional conference schedule for these dates.

Current proposed schedule: Thursday –
Fun Night

Friday –

CPE and banquet

Saturday –
breakfast and ½ day schedule

The committee would like to gather ideas for a theme. Shelly Selby is a Regional Conference Consultant from National.

Several subcommittees will be needed which include: program, registration, publicity, hospitality, facilities, corporate sponsors, fun night

New Business:

Outstanding Member Committee: Marilyn Moehlmann, Margaret Munson and Kathy Strum agreed to be on the Outstanding Member Committee.

Installation of Officers: President Stephanie Roscoe thanked all out-going Board members and committee chairs and installed the new slate of officers for the coming year.

National Board Report: Kate Mulder discussed several items from National including the Compass, the Chapter Mentoring Program, minimum standards report and that the JNC will be September 27-28.

Announcements:

Committee Reports are due at the July planning meeting

Submit nominations for Outstanding Member to Marilyn.

Chapter Standing Rules have been posted to the website under “Chapter Documents” link.

Karen Jacobson and Kathy Strum are planning to go to Russia in the fall.

Next meeting: Planning meeting July 21 at Kate Mulder’s house.

Door Prize Winner: Penny Strum

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Sippel, Secretary

July 2010 MINUTES

July Minutes
American Society of Women Accountants
Ames Chapter #158
Membership Meeting
July 21, 2010

Call to Order: A Special Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Marilyn Moehlman in Ames at 8:05 pm on Wednesday, July 21, 2010. Those in

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attendance were Cheryl Carlile, Jan Duffy, Stephanie Fox, Karen Jacobson, Haiyan Li, Kate Mulder, Margaret Munson, Stephanie Roscoe, Lin Shen, Cindy Sippel, Penny Strum, and one guest, Lin Yan. A quorum was present.

Kate Mulder moved and Cheryl Carlile seconded that all business except selection of delegates for JNC in September 2010 be suspended. Motion carried.

Delegate designation forms are due to National on September 3, 2010, several days before the chapter's next meeting.

Margaret Munson moved and Stephanie Roscoe seconded that delegates and alternates for the 2010 JNC be designated as follows: Karen Jacobson and up to two other chapter members attending the JNC be delegates, each carrying up to 3 votes. All members attending JNC will be designated as alternates, each carrying up to 3 votes. Members shall notify President Moehlmann by September 1, 2010, if they will be attending JNC and she shall designate delegates and alternates as described. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Munson, Secretary

July Planning Meeting Notes

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American Society of Women Accountants
Ames Chapter #158
Planning Meeting
July 21, 2010

Stephanie Roscoe reported that the Regional Meeting has been scheduled for July 15-16, 2011, at the Memorial Union in Ames. Attendance is anticipated to be 100-150 people and an advance payment of \$1,405 will be due to the MU. There will be two tracks for CPE, a fun night on Thursday, a banquet and possibly entertainment on Friday evening, CPE all day Friday and half day Saturday morning. Lunch on Friday will be provided. Saturday lunch on your own.

The program committee may survey members about meeting night and meeting topic preferences.

The membership committee will consider incentives to encourage attendance at meetings. They have a luncheon schedule nearly ready to publish on the Web site and will send that along to Kate Mulder soon.

Meeting ideas: (Members should forward meeting ideas to Cheryl and Lin)

- Changes in financial statement formats
- New budget model for ISU / Cost allocation
- Changes in CPE requirements in Iowa
- Revenue recognition
- Time management
- Iowa tax update
- Federal tax update
- Unemployment insurance and audits
- 1099 changes
- Russia trip (Karen and Kathy)
- International business/marketing

Goals:

1. Net 3 new members and 90% retention.

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2. 50% attendance on average at meetings
(Number of attendees including guests /
number of members >= 50%)
3. Seven meetings with CPE

Meeting dates for 2010-2011:

September 15
October 19 (subject to change,
depending on Des Moines chapter
setting date for joint meeting)
November 17
December 15
January 19
February 16
March 23 (changed because of spring
break)
April 20
May 18
June 15
July 15-16 Regional Conference

2010-2011 Officers:

Marilyn Moehlmann	President
Lisa Lembke	Vice President
Margaret Munson	Secretary
Penelle Strum	Treasurer
Stephanie Fox	Membership
Brenda O'Neill-Smith	Membership
Cindy Sippel	Newsletter
Cheryl Carlile	Program
Lin Shen	Program
Cynthia Jeffrey	Scholarship
Soma Mitra	Scholarship
Penelle Strum	Scholarship
(Treasurer)	
Stephanie Roscoe	Past President

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- October 20 - Joint Meeting ASWA Des Moines and Ames Chapters
Speaker: "The Forensic Paradigm..."
presented by David Billings, Evidence Technician, Ankeny Police Department
Location: Kirkendall Public Library, Conference Room
1210 Northwest Prairie Ridge Drive
Ankeny, IA
Date: Wednesday, October 20th
Menu: TBD
- November 17
- December 15 – Holiday Party
- January 19
- February 16
- March 23 (changed because of spring break)
- April 20
- May 18
- June 15
- July 15-16 Regional Conference

ASWA NATIONAL NEWS

- 2010 Joint National Conference
September 27-29, 2010
Music City Sheraton
Nashville, TN

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Scholarship Fundraiser

On March 12, 2010, Stephanie Roscoe, Penny Strum, Kate Mulder, Sue Jones and Jan Duffy served beer at the Jason L Dean concert at Hilton Coliseum as a fundraiser. We are proud to say that we made \$466.48 for our efforts. We sold 41 cases of beer – and 10 bottles of water. Not a bad evening's work.

See the picture that is attached.

Proposed National Bylaws Changes

Two amendments are being proposed to the National Bylaws. I have attached the proposed amendments to the bulletin. Please review these prior to the meeting as we will be discussing them.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"It is difficult to say what is impossible, for the dream of yesterday is the hope of today and the reality of tomorrow." Robert H. Goddard

Articles and submissions to the newsletter are welcome. Please contact Cindy at bulletin@amesaswa.org