



December 2023

Ames Chapter #158

THE SPOKESWOMAN

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance is to enable women in all accounting and finance fields to achieve their full potential and to contribute to their profession.

MEETING INFORMATION

December Ames Chapter Meeting

Chapter Holiday Party

Date: December 12, 2023

Time: 6:00 pm

Location:

1034 NE Aspen Circle
Ankeny, IA

The AFWA Holiday Party will be held on Tuesday, December 12 at 6:00 pm at Cindy Sippel's home, 1034 NE Aspen Circle in Ankeny. We will have a potluck dinner. Cindy will be making Italian sausage tortellini soup. RSVP to the Evite and please include what you're bringing to the potluck in your response.

Bring a white elephant gift for exchange.

Contributions to the scholarship fund will be accepted.

Directions: From Ames, take I-35 south to the 36th St. exit in Ankeny. Turn right on to 36th St. and go west to Delaware St. and turn left. Take Delaware St. to NE Fountain View Blvd (1.4 mi) then take the next right on to NE Fountain View Drive followed by the next right on to NE Aspen Circle. We are at the end of the cul-de-sac, 1034 with a flag pole in the front yard and Christmas lights. If you have trouble, Cindy's cell phone is 515-450-8670.

NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES

Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance
Ames Chapter #158
Membership Meeting
November 14, 2023

Call to Order:

The November Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Carla Danielson at 7:39 p.m. on Tuesday, November 14, 2023, at Old



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Chicago in Ames, Iowa. Those in attendance were members Kate Mulder, Carla Danielson, Kayla Sander, Annmarie Kurtenbach, Margaret Munson, and Cindy Sippel. A quorum was present.

Minutes

Margaret made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 2023 membership meeting as printed in the bulletin. Kate seconded the motion that was approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Cheryl emailed the September and October financial reports. The balance in the general fund was \$5,211.28. The scholarship fund has a balance of \$3,939.50. Of this balance, \$2,350 is restricted for the Kathy Strum scholarship and the remaining balance of \$1,589.50 is available for the Beverly Wandling Memorial Scholarship. The Treasurer's Report will be placed on file for review.

Committee Reports:

Membership:

Kate noted that member retention was discussed at the annual conference and that she bought a book on membership retention. She is looking for ideas.

Programs:

Kayla gave us an update on programs: December will be the Christmas party. January no meeting. February 13 – tax update, March 5 (note the date) – health and wellness, April – HR issues today, up and coming talent and their demands, May – looking at doing a company

tour, if possible, June – Virtual AFWA national program.

Newsletter:

No report.

Scholarship:

Scholarship applications were due November 1. We received one application from Rylee McNaughton, a student at DMACC. After discussion, Kate moved and Ann seconded a motion to award a \$1,000 scholarship to Rylee McNaughton. The motion was approved. In addition to posting the application forms on our website and sending to the colleges and universities, Kayla asked that the application forms be sent to her so she can help distribute them.

Publicity:

No report

Webmaster:

No report.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

2023-2024 Chapter Dues

Current chapter dues are:

Regular/affiliate	\$25
Student/associate	\$10
Retired	\$10
Emeritus	\$ 0

Margaret made a motion to keep chapter dues for the upcoming year at the same



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amounts as the current year. Kate seconded the motion which was approved.

Holiday Party

The Holiday Party will be on our regular meeting night of December 12 at 6:00 at Cindy Sippel's home in Ankeny. We will do a potluck dinner along with a white elephant gift exchange. Contributions will be accepted for the scholarship fund. Margaret offered to send out and evite to our member.

Announcements:

ISU will be hosting the Contemporary Issues in Accounting Conference on December 15. There will be a focus on industry presentations this year including Technology in Auditing, Lessons from Integration, economic update and Airport Finance 101.

The next networking lunch is Monday, November 27 at the Cafe.

Kayla and Kate attended the AFWA national conference in Reno. Next year's conference will be in Hilton Head, South Carolina

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Sippel
Secretary

2023-2024 OFFICERS

President: Carla Danielson
Vice President: Lisa Palmersheim
Secretary: Cindy Sippel
Treasurer: Cheryl Carlile
Programs: Jenny Sturgill / Kayla Sander
Program Coordinator: Ann Kurtenbach
Scholarship: Jan Duffy, Cindy Sippel, Cheryl Carlile
Membership/Publicity: Kate Mulder
Past President: Cheryl Carlile
Nominating Committee Chair: Cheryl Carlile
Bulletin: Margaret Munson
Webmaster: Margaret Munson

NETWORKING LUNCH SCHEDULE

Networking Lunch	Restaurant	Location
12/18/2023	Aunt Maude's	547 Main St, Ames
1/15/2024	Cornbred Barbecue	523 Main St., Ames
2/26/2024	Applebees	105 Chestnut St, Ames
3/25/2024	Dublin Bay	320 S. 16th St, Ames
4/22/2024	Hickory Park	1404 S Duff Ave. Ames
5/20/2024	Brick City Grill	2640 Stange Rd, Ames
6/24/2024	Provisions Lot F	2400 N Loop Dr, Ames

Articles and submissions to the newsletter are welcome. Please contact bulletin@amesafwa.org