

December 2, 2008 Minutes

Submitted by Amy Czerwinski, Chapter Secretary

The Nashville Chapter's Executive Committee met on December 2, 2008, in the large Conference Room on the 15th floor of the James K. Polk Building. Kathy Anderson, Chapter President called the meeting to order at 11:25 a.m. Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) members present were Ed Burr, Amy Czerwinski, Pat Finney, Joe, Kimery, Rusty Lacy, Jennifer Lewis, Beth Pugh and Chas Taplin. Committee leaders present were Nicole Curtiss, Karen Hale, Hellens Kruszynski, and Robyn Probus.

Approval of Minutes

The approval of the November 4, 2008 minutes was motioned by Rusty Lacy and second by Beth Pugh.

Nominating Committee

Kathy announced the five nominating committee members as Scarlet Sneed (for Melvin Jones), Jim Arnette (Past President), Rusty Lacy (CEC member), Jennifer Lewis (CEC member), and Beth Pugh (CEC member).

CEC Reports

President

President Kathy Anderson, discussed National initiatives such as the Citizen Centric Reports and meeting with local universities about AGA; more information can be found the National website. Rusty Lacy suggested discussing AGA with David Lipscomb when the professors come to speak at the Winter Seminar.

Education

Education Chair, Rusty Lacy, reported they have all speakers lined up for the Winter Seminar on Jan 13 and 14, 2009. The Winter Seminar agenda is on the website.

Next Audio Conference is February 11, 2009. Subject is "Building Fraud Risk Assessment into Audit Planning." Contact Da Norm to register.

Early Careers

Early Careers Chair, Roybn Probus stated they are not doing an early careers social, but will use the funds for local career fairs and drawings for money. The funds can also be used to send early career members to the Regional PDC. In addition, they are still considering job shadowing opportunities.

Membership

Membership Co-Chair, Ed Burr reported current membership is 370 and 10 new members as of November 10, 2008. The Get a Member campaign has begun and 10 notebooks were given to members and 2 of those members received \$10 gift cards for their guest joining. All free lunch certificates are good through April 2009.

Program

Program Co-Chair, Hellens Kruszynski reported on the following:

Thursday's speaker is Mark Floyd with the Nashville Predators. His charity of choice is the Nashville Rescue Mission and he will not be bringing a guest. It is still not determined if he will be using a PowerPoint slide or not. His presentation will be on "The business of a NHL team with an emphasis on the deal with Nashville." Jennifer McClendon will introduce him at the luncheon.

Twenty (20) members and guests attended the fall informal social. Nashville Trash Tour is the next informal social; the date is not confirmed yet. Kathy said good job on the fall social and thanked the program committee.

Finance

Pat Finney, Finance Chair, reported that she and Rhonda Williams will collect the money at the December luncheon.

CGFM

Nicole Curtiss, CGFM Co-Chair, reported on the National initiative to take the CGFM Examinations before the NLC:

Don't miss the opportunity to take the CGFM Examinations and earn your CGFM before the annual National Leadership Conference (NLC) in Washington D.C. AGA is offering a two-day Intensive Review Course on Monday, Feb. 16, and Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2009 and an opportunity to take CGFM Examinations on Feb. 18-19, 2009. The cost of the course is only \$249 for qualified participants, and it offers 18 CPE hours. Special Bonus: the CGFM Examinations are offered at no cost to course attendees.

This course is designed as a supplement to previous preparation for the CGFM Examinations, so this is a perfect opportunity for those individuals who have already attended CGFM training courses or have been preparing by using the CGFM Study Guides. Enrollment is limited and participants must first apply and be accepted into the CGFM Program, so don't delay. More information and a registration form for this event are available on AGA website.

Gerry hopes to bring a Corporate Sponsorship policy to the next CEC meeting.

Community Service

Community Service Co-Chair, Beth Pugh and Suzanne Sawyers reported upcoming projects as:

Past Projects – November 2008

- a. **Nashville Rescue Mission -November 20, 2008.** We would like to thank the following individuals who participated at the Mission Feeding: Mihkel

Lindsley with Nichole Winsett (daughter); Victor Nwanso; Britt Wood;
Jacqueline Laws with Deborah Gooch (guest).

- b. **Second Harvest Food Drive** – In the month of November, we collected 55 canned food items. We would like to thank those members who had donated items!

Upcoming Projects

- c. **Little Soldiers - ends on December 8, 2008**
Sandra Tulloss is the project lead for Little Soldiers. We received 25 little soldiers and all of them have been adopted!!! The last day to drop of gifts for the soldiers is Monday December 8, 2008.
- d. **December 4, 2008 5:00pm to 10:00pm** – NPT Channel 8 Membership Drive
AGA is sponsoring the Nashville Public Television (ch.8) membership drive in December. I believe we have 14 individuals registered for this event.
- e. **Hat, Coat, Glove Drive – January 3 – 31, 2009** – We will be collecting hats, coats, and gloves for those that are less fortunate.

Public Relations

Public Relations Chair, Karen Hale, reported 6 of 8 press releases were released and she is working on a few more. She needs the new CGFM members contact information. She also suggested that presses releases not come from state email addresses. Pictures need to go to Dan or Nathan for the website.

Meeting and Attendance

Kathy asked if there was a new place we could meet for the luncheon meetings. Joe Kimery said he called earlier in the year and many locations were not interested, too expensive or limited on size and catering availability. Kathy asked before we renew our contract with the Nashville City Club to check with Melvin.

Kathy Anderson adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.