

# Disclosures



**A  
MESSAGE  
FROM  
THE  
CHAPTER  
PRESIDENT**



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The year is winding down. Our program year was officially over as of April 30 for the chapter recognition program. I will be accepting the Platinum Level Chapter Award at the Training in Nashville next month. Thanks to the chapter members for making that happen. I will also be accepting the Chapter Website Award. Thanks to the Board members who made that happen.

I want to take the opportunity to thank everyone who participated in the many chapter events held during the past year – monthly meetings, conferences, webinars, and community service. This may sound cliché, but this is your organization. Please do not hesitate to contact any board member to ask questions, voice your concerns, offer topic and speaker ideas, propose community service events, or volunteer to serve on the chapter board. The board member information can always be found on the last page of the newsletter or on the chapter's award winning website.

I want to thank my fellow board members for their efforts in our successful year. Their efforts made my job as chapter president a lot easier.

I want to wish the best of luck to Dan Jaroche who will be serving as the chapter's president next year. Dan has already made use of his presidential gavel at our old board new board meeting.



Chris Bayley

**Vision**

AGA is the premier association for advancing government accountability.

**Mission**

AGA fosters learning, certification, leadership and collaboration for professionals and stakeholders committed to advancing government accountability.

**Core Values**

Service, Accountability, Integrity, Leadership

**SAVE THE DATE  
September 23, 2015**

Greater Lansing AGA Chapter  
Professional Development Training  
**Transparency in Government**  
4 hours CPE  
Library of Michigan

**Eye Opener**



**8 million**

The number of unanswered calls from U.S. taxpayers to the Internal Revenue Service this year. IRS Commissioner said budget cuts have forced the agency to reduce services.

SOURCE: Governing Daily | April 29, 2015



**AGA's  
NATIONAL  
PRESIDENT  
2011-2015**



**William D. Miller  
CGFM**

I cannot stay quiet. AGA is a leader in more categories than just financial management issues. We have volunteers across the country that do great work in helping their communities and I applaud them, as should we all. Community service and donation projects abound within AGA, and they are done so without fanfare or braggadocio. Well, I am here to brag and praise.

Most of the chapters I have visited have raffles and projects to raise funds to help their communities. In addition to making life better for those served, members have a great feeling of satisfaction. I learned a long time ago, through my car travel shows, that the money raffles and silent auctions can have significant impact.

I want everyone to know about two special AGA members who have distinguished themselves beyond all limits of accolades. When I said we have a heart, we have a H-A-R-T! When Hurricane Katrina hit New Orleans, Jeff Hart had a vision and mission to engage in recovery efforts and rehabilitation. He wanted AGA's name on what he did. He formed teams year after year and traveled to New Orleans to work with the Habitat for Humanity organization. Doreen Shute joined Jeff Hart from the start and they celebrated nine years together this year. Many other AGA members have assisted over the years, but Jeff and Doreen were there from the beginning and

**AGA National President  
Bill Miller cannot  
stay quiet.**

through their sharing were able to energize other members along the way. I listened to them as they marveled over the revitalization of New Orleans and the many projects they supported over the years. There was a sense of satisfaction they felt as improvement and recovery was evident. So, to all of AGA, I thank you for your heart, strength to work tirelessly for the less fortunate and for putting AGA in a special place in New Orleans.

I marvel at the talent and ingenuity that keeps surfacing in AGA. It is an organization that acts like a family. Hard work is no stranger to any of us, and the results speak for themselves. I couldn't be more proud and grateful to have the opportunity lead the organization (with the help of many AGA members).

People, get ready! The 2015 Professional Development Training (PDT) is just around the corner; so let's get on board. Take advantage of the training and networking, and the opportunity to participate in our national community service program. We hope to see you at the PDT in July in Nashville.

William D. Miller, CGFM, CIA  
2014-2015 AGA National President

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Whenever something goes wrong,  
the first question we must ask is:  
Can this problem be fixed with duct tape?

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We need to prepare for our audit.  
Organize a game of dodgeball.



Shannon Kennedy



Posted  
June 4, 2014

## A HISTORY OF THE HAPPY HOUR

Washington D.C. is home to our world's most influential leaders, is a mecca for dedicated (yet low-paid) interns, and is the largest funnel for innovative policy. After 8 AM, most DC professionals are working hard to finish their daily tasks so they can escape by 5 PM to the nearest drinking hole. And no, this is not because DC is full of drunks. This is due to the very classy phenomenon known as Happy Hour.

All across the city, bars and restaurants lower their prices on drinks and appetizers to attract working professionals desperate to relax. But happy hours are more than just a reason to down a \$5 margarita. They are about socialization, bonding with co-workers, and most importantly, networking.

The term "happy hour" has been around for centuries. Shakespeare referenced "happy hour" in *King Henry V* as a scheduled time for entertainment. Much later in the year 1914, the American battleship U.S.S. Arkansas put down a relatively quick skirmish in Mexico at the beginning of the year. Their orders kept them in harbor through September. To stave off boredom, the entire crew partook in light hearted festivities three nights a week. These events called "happy hours" included movies, boxing matches, chorus singing, play enactments, and dancing. Unprecedentedly high morale on board the U.S.S. Arkansas led the ship to setting a record for the happiest crew.

The phrase continued to describe entertainment-based naval gatherings throughout World War I but was not associated with alcohol until the prohibition. Happy hours or "cocktail hours" were held at speakeasies during the early afternoon. After attending happy hour, patrons would then take their buzz to a regular restaurant where alcohol was prohibited.

After World War II, happy hour became a time for military men to relax while manning remote locations across the country. A lifestyle article published in 1959, described air force personnel spending too much money during "happy hour" at the bar, sparking the widespread use of the phrase to describe drink specials across America. Over time happy hour was fully accepted into our language. Most people just associate happy hour with cheap drinks but it can be so much more. Just like the morale built on the U.S.S. Arkansas, happy hour has the ability to raise spirits while building lasting connections.

# Government Executive

STATE  
and  
LOCAL

## Michigan Department of Transportation Launches App Version of Popular Traffic and Road Information Tool

By: Michael Glass



Back in 2007, MDOT launched an all-encompassing website called Mi Drive to host a variety of real-time traffic and travel information for important roadways in the state. Four years later, MDOT launched a mobile friendly version of the website.

Now as more and more states are developing and enhancing their digital tools for constituents, MDOT has launched a free app version of the Mi Drive that can be accessed via smartphones and tablets.

"Motorists liked the mobile version of the Mi Drive site but what they really wanted was an app. Now we have one to help keep Michigan motorists mobile, safe, and informed," Michigan Department of Transportation Director Kirk Steudle said in MDOT's app announcement.

He also urged drivers to "use this new app to check your route before leaving for your destination. We want everyone to remain safe and pay attention while they are driving."

In addition to real-time traffic information, rest area and carpool locations, traffic camera views and weather conditions, there is also a feature for vehicle passengers – or drivers, if they are able to safely pull off the road – to report traffic problems, which are then relayed to state traffic control personnel.





# Early Career Center

## Ten Tips for New Grads Entering the Workforce

by Allison Green, U.S. News



Here are some tips to quickly build a strong reputation and ensure that your job is a success.

**1. Listen more than you talk.** Soak up information about how the organization works, and the reasons why, before you offer "helpful" alternatives.

**2. Don't segregate yourself with people in your age group.** Get to know older workers too. Your peer group may be more fun for happy hours, but those coworkers who are a decade or more older than you can possibly help with your career. (And you might find out you enjoy their company too!)



**3. Don't become part of a workplace clique.** As much as you might like some coworkers, you should maintain professional boundaries. Don't get drawn into gossiping, and don't take on other people's workplace battles just because you consider them friends. Too many young workers have harmed their own careers by focusing on chitchat over work, or by deciding to dislike the boss just because a coworker does.

**4. Take mistakes seriously.** There's nothing more frustrating than an employee who made a mistake and doesn't seem to think it's a big deal. When you make a mistake, immediately take responsibility for it, figure out how you're going to fix it, and make it clear that you understand its seriousness. Responses like "my bad" or worse, no response at all, signal that you don't take work seriously.

**5. Take notes.** Your boss expects you to remember the specific instructions you were given—and that includes nuances, not just the overarching idea. For most people, that means taking notes. And while a good manager is happy to answer questions, she won't be if the questions are ones she already answered when you weren't bothering to pay attention.

**6. Don't use social networking sites or instant-messaging with friends throughout the workday.** When you're at work, you should focus 100 percent on work. There's no quicker way to make a bad impression than to be spotted on Gmail or IM'ing with friends when you should be working.



**7. Do what you say you're going to do and by when you say you're going to do it.** Always, always sticking to your word will establish you as someone reliable and trustworthy, someone who is on top of their game—and it's such rare behavior that you'll stand out for it.

**8. Pay attention to the culture.** This is hugely important, and when new employees don't do it, they come across as tone-deaf. Observe how others act and you'll pick up a ton of information about cultural expectations. Are people compulsively on time for meetings? Do they take a real lunch or eat at their desks? What hours do most people work? Is there a lot of chitchat during the day, or do people stay focused? Do people primarily use email to communicate or do they talk in person? While you don't need to become someone you're not, you do want to try to roughly fit into cultural parameters.

**9. Be open to learning.** You may have learned lots of theory in the classroom, but it tends to change drastically when human behavior gets involved. College gave you theory; work is going to give something entirely different, so stay humble and realize your first job is going to be largely about learning.

**10. Thank people who help you.** When your boss or another coworker takes the time to help you with something, give them a sincere thank you. People who feel appreciated are more likely to go out of their way for you again. If you don't seem to care, they probably won't bother again.

# CHAPTER EDUCATIONAL EVENTS



You can register for all chapter events at [www.aga-lansing.org](http://www.aga-lansing.org). Click on events.

Check the chapter website and upcoming newsletters for more information.

~~**September 18, 2014**  
**Professional Development Conference**  
Government Accountability  
Library of Michigan  
4 hours CPE~~

~~**February 18, 2015**  
**Webinar Conference**  
Fraud Prevention  
Ottawa Building, Conference Room A  
2 hours CPE~~

~~**February 24, 2015**  
**Monthly Luncheon Meeting**  
FOIA and Email  
Capitol View Building  
1 hour CPE~~

~~**October 21, 2014**  
**Monthly Luncheon Meeting**  
DNR Resource Trust Fund  
Capitol View Building  
1 hour CPE~~

~~**March 18, 2015**  
**Webinar Conference**  
Internal Controls  
Constitution Hall, ConCon A and B  
2 hours CPE~~

~~**November 13, 2014**  
**Monthly Luncheon Meeting**  
VITA – Volunteer Income Tax Assistance  
Capitol View Building  
1 hour CPE~~

~~**March 26, 2015**  
**Professional Development Conference**  
Government Accountability  
Okemos Conference Center  
8 hours CPE~~



~~**April 22, 2015**  
**Monthly Luncheon Meeting**  
Economic Development for Greater Lansing  
Capitol View Building  
1 hour CPE~~

~~**November 19, 2014**  
**Webinar Conference**  
Fraud Risk Management  
Ottawa Building, Conference Room 6  
2 hours CPE~~



~~**January 26, 2015**  
**Monthly Luncheon Meeting**  
Income Tax Update  
Joint Meeting with SAAABA  
Capitol View Building~~

~~**May 13, 2015**  
**Webinar Conference**  
Ethics – Beyond the Code  
Constitution Hall, ConCon A and B  
2 hours CPE~~

~~**January 28, 2015**  
**Webinar Conference**  
Strengthening Grant Management  
Constitution Hall  
2 hours CPE~~

~~**May 19, 2015**  
**Monthly Luncheon Meeting**  
State of the State of Michigan Budget  
Capitol View Building  
1 hour CPE~~

# ASSOCIATION of GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTANTS

Greater Lansing Chapter  
Chapter Presidents

The Greater Lansing AGA Chapter received  
its charter from the National AGA on  
September 25, 1979.

1979-1980	Ron Hoffmeister
1980-1981	Joe Perrone
1981-1982	L.T. Bower
1982-1983	Jerome Herman
1983-1984	Carol Shamka
1984-1985	Jon Houserman
1985-1986	Barbara Hayes
1986-1987	John Hart
1987-1988	Richard Cummings
1988-1989	Jeff Linderman
1989-1990	Steve Hilker
1990-1991	Myron Frierson
1991-1992	Jill Murphy
1992-1993	Therese Regner
1993-1994	Larry Misiewicz
1994-1995	Christine Ullmann
1995-1996	Pratin Trivedi
1996-1997	Lisa Pratt
1997-1998	Laura Hirst
1998-1999	Cindy Osga
1999-2000	Chris Bayley
2000-2001	Jean Ramsy
2001-2002	Lisa Fath
2002-2003	Laura Mester
2003-2004	Christy Ryan
2004-2005	Howard Pizzo
2005-2006	Linda deBourbon
2006-2007	Ed Nieresher
2007-2008	Dairus Reynett
2008-2009	Tim Becker
2009-2010	Corey Sparks
2010-2011	Cynthia Johnson
2011-2012	Susan Saari
2012-2013	Deborah Christopherson
2013-2014	Amy Zimmerman
2014-2015	Chris Bayley

**GREATER LANSING  
CHAPTER  
35 YEARS**

## OTHER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES



### West Michigan AGA

To register for events, visit  
[www.agawestmichigan.org/home/events](http://www.agawestmichigan.org/home/events)

#### July 22, 2015

Single Audit Update  
Webinar  
2 hours CPE

### National AGA

To register for events, visit [www.agacgfm.org](http://www.agacgfm.org)



#### July 12-15, 2015

Professional Development Training  
Gaylord Opryland Hotel  
Nashville, Tennessee  
24 hours CPE



#### September 15-16

Internal Control and Fraud Prevention  
Ronald Reagan Building  
Washington, D.C.  
14 hours CPE

### SAAABA

To register for events, visit  
<http://www.saaaba.com>

#### July 14, 2015

New Code of Conduct – Impact on Government Sector  
Location to be Determined  
1 hour CPE

Develop a passion for learning.  
If you do so, you will never cease to grow.

Anthony J. D'Angelo



Useful lessons learnt today may not necessarily  
be of use to you today, save them for later.  
There always comes a time where you won't  
be able to eat and you'll live from what  
you had last night.

Nontobeko Sybiya





## MEMBER NEWS

### CONGRATULATIONS! Member Anniversaries

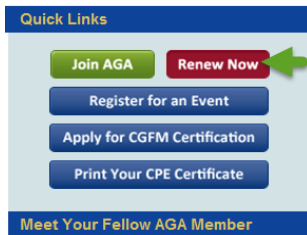
Mary Cupp, CGFM	25 years
Uday Malavia, CGFM	23 years
Laura Hirst	22 years
Eric Formberg, CGFM	20 years
Howard Pizzo	18 years
Brian Curran	11 years
Kenji Griffith, CGFM	10 years
Corey Sparks	8 years
Dan Wawiernia	8 years
Gary Simpson	5 years
Irene Mongrain	4 years
Menna Tallah Gwiffel	2 years
Meridee Mulrooney	2 years
Mehael Desnoyerz	1 year
Shawna Hessling	1 year

### Membership by the Numbers on June 15

Chapter Members	101
Chapter Members Who Have Not Renewed	19

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to renew.

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easy.



## CHAPTER FINANCES

### Balance Sheet at April 30, 2014

Assets	
Current Assets:	
Checking Account	\$ 21,545
Pay Pal Account	\$ 2,826
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 24,371</b>
Liabilities and Net Assets	
Unrestricted Begin Fund Balance	\$ 17,105
Income (Loss)	\$ 7,266
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 24,371</b>



**JUNE 14**



You may have noticed that this month's newsletter features many pictures of the United States flag. That is because June 14 is flag day.

On June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress approved the design of a national flag. Since 1916, when President Woodrow Wilson issued a presidential proclamation establishing a national Flag Day on June 14, Americans have commemorated the adoption of the Stars and Stripes by celebrating June 14 as Flag Day. Prior to 1916, many localities and a few states had been celebrating the day for years. Congressional legislation designating that date as the national Flag Day was signed into law by President Harry Truman in 1949; the legislation also called upon the president to issue a flag day proclamation every year.



## CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**May 13, 2015**  
**Romney Building, Lansing, Michigan**

**CEC Members Present:** Chris Bayley, Julie Chrysler, Kenji Griffith, Dan Jaroche, Wanda Clavon Jones, Cindy Osga, Susan Saari, Julie Salman, Cora Schimanski, Karen Stout, Anshu Varma, Dan Wawiernia, Amy Zimmerman

**CEC Members Not Present:** Charlotte Roper

**Call to Order and Acceptance of Agenda:** Chris called the meeting to order at 11:56 am. A motion to accept the agenda was made, seconded, and approved.

**Minutes:** The March and April 2015 minutes were approved via email on May 11, 2015 and May 12, 2015 respectively.

**Budget and Financials:** All registration fees received from the spring training are profit. The sponsor provided lunch and snacks. Julie presented the March and April 2015 financials. Julie C. met a contact at the SLM in Baltimore who has offered assistance for completing the 990 filing. 501(3)c organizations are exempt from state tax but not from the sales tax. Luncheons are showing a deficit because SAAABA has not settled for the January luncheon and we have not received our share of the revenue. Fees are up due to increase PayPal activities. Motions to approve the financials, March disbursements of \$1,384.39, April disbursements of 5,291.37, and adjust the budget were made, seconded, and approved.

**Membership:** Amy suggested having someone contact suspended members to remind them to renew their membership. Karen suggested keeping a list of nonmembers that register at events and try to recruit them by reaching out to them.

**Education:** September 23 is the date for the fall professional development training at the Library of Michigan auditorium. The event is on the website and Cora will provide a link. There will be four speakers. John Roberts will be the first speaker. There will be a box lunch. Fees will be \$35 for members and \$55 for nonmembers. Conference refreshments were discussed. Decided we will have two deliveries – one for the morning break and one for the box lunch. Lunch will be delivered at 11:30am so attendees can pick their lunch as they leave.

**Program Luncheons:** May 19 will be the last luncheon for this program year. Jeff Bankowski will

now be the speaker to discuss the State Budget. John Roberts is unable to make the presentation. 34 people have registered. Five nonmember guests were invited. If board members are bringing a guest, please notify Karen. A new location for luncheon meetings next year will have to be found because of changes at the Capital View Building.

**Awards:** The Nomination Committee met on May 7. Winners will be announced at the May luncheon.

**Communication:** Cindy will be doing a May/June newsletter. Please send any information you want included in the newsletter to her.

**CGFM:** The May 13 audio conference on Ethics will be at Constitution Hall. National AGA is offering a free web conference to AGA members on May 19. The topic is Appropriations Law. Dan W. will be looking into purchasing the CGFM study guides to lend out for those interested in taking the exam.

**Website:** If you need anything posted to the website, email it to Cora and Anthony. Cora will update the Community Service section. Chris indicated that the website designer is available for consultations, as needed.

**Community Service:** The ALS Walk collected \$2,115 in donations. The MS Walk collected \$325 in donations. Seven people participated in the ALS Walk and four people participated in the MS Walk. Dan W. is sponsoring a group for the Make-a-Wish Bike Ride and will be collecting donations. Contact Dan if you wish to participate. The Great Lakes Folk Festival will be August 8 and 9. There will be another walk for ALS in September in Lansing. The Humane Society Walk for the Animals will be in October. Julie S. is looking at a fund raising event at the fall training for St. Vincent.

**Chapter Recognition:** On track for reaching a Platinum Level Chapter Award for the Chapter Recognition Program for the 2015-2015 program year.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** Julie C. reported on the SLM held in Baltimore. She reported that liability insurance is being pushed for events, directors and officers, and cyber insurance. The Board discussed getting insurance. Julie C. will send additional notes to the board via email.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adjourn at 1:04 pm.

**Next Meeting:** June 10, 2015  
Hosted by Dan Jaroche  
Romney Building  
7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Conference Room A





## CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**April 16, 2015**  
**Van Wagoner Building, Lansing, Michigan**

**CEC Members Present:** Christopher Bayley, Dan Jaroche, Cindy Osga, Julie Salman, Karen Stout, Anshu Varma, Dan Wawiernia, Amy Zimmerman

**CEC Members Not Present:** Julie Chrysler, Kenji Griffith, Wanda Jones, Charlotte Roper, Susan Saari, Cora Schimanski

**Call to Order and Acceptance of Agenda:** Chris called the meeting to order at noon. A motion to accept the agenda was made, seconded and approved. Anthony Edwards, new website committee member was present. Introductions were made.

**Minutes:** The March 2015 minutes were previously distributed via email and approved by email votes on May 13, 2015.

**Budget and Financials:** No report. Julie C. was not present. Chris will see that Julie C. sends out the financials for an email vote.

**Membership:** There are a number of suspended members.

**Education:** Anshu has reserved the Library of Michigan auditorium for September 23, 2015 for the fall half-day development training. She has a list of potential topics from the spring training feedback forms and is open to for topics from board members. A plan for box lunches for attendees from Grand Traverse Pie Company is being planned. Anshu provided a brief wrap-up from the spring development training.

Anshu stated that since the spring PDC was more profitable than expected, she is asking that each board member be reimbursed for their membership dues of \$97.50. She explained that she feels this would help in recruiting and keeping talented board members. There was a discussion of this suggestion. Some board members indicated that they were not comfortable with this idea from an ethical perspective and characterized board members reimbursing themselves their membership dues as self-serving. A comment was made that it was the board members experience when serving on other boards that individuals are expected to make significant financial contributions to the organization to set an example for potential donors and members. A suggestion was made to use the excess funds to reduce fees for future conferences so that all the members benefit not just the select few on the board. Another suggestion was to pay dues for the first year on the board as an incentive to attract new board members. It was

indicated that this issue was raised last year and was discussed with other Great Lakes region chapter leaders with those leaders indicating that this was not done in their chapters and expressing that they felt that board members should not be compensated for their service as volunteers. It was pointed out that this may be a one-time influx of revenue because of the large attendance by the OAG and that there were other ways to use the influx to increase the services our chapter provides, such as purchasing more audio conferences or hiring professional speakers at conferences. Chris indicated that he felt that recruiting quality board members is important and that we may as a board want to discuss possible incentives in the form of further reduced PDC fees or something like that. No further action was taken in regard to the suggestion.

**Program Luncheons:** Karen reported the next meeting is April 22, and the speaker is Bob Trezise. She will be sending an email reminder for registration.

**Awards:** Wanda is working on the awards.

**Communication:** Cindy reported that the April newsletter is out and she has submitted it to National for the newsletter award. She also submitted the website to National for the website award.

**CGFM:** Dan W. indicated the last audio/web conference will be May 13 and the topic is Ethics. He will send out a registration reminder email.

**Website:** Anthony provided his email contact information to the CEC so they can send him information that needs to be posted to the website.

**Community Service:** Julie S. reported that the items collected at the spring training will be delivered to Eaton/SIREN this week. There were a few items donated and approximately \$100. She is continuing to receive clothing donations for Suits for Soldiers who provides business attire to veterans to assist them in job interviews.

**Chapter Recognition:** Dan J. indicated we have approximately 14,000 credits. He gave a brief update on the status of the board roster for next year and that we have a few positions left to fill.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** Cindy indicated that the National Bylaws and Procedures Committee has a new chapter template based on the updated National bylaws. She volunteered to review our chapter bylaws to determine what updates will be needed to ensure they are consistent with National AGA bylaws.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adjourn at 12:45pm.

**Next Meeting:** May 13, 2015  
Hosted by Dan Jaroche  
Romney Building  
7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Conference Room A



## CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**March 11, 2015**  
**Constitution Hall, Lansing, Michigan**

**CEC Members Present:** Chris Bayley, Julie Chrysler, Wanda Clavon Jones, Dan Jaroche, Cindy Osga, Susan Saari, Julie Salman, Karen, Stout, Anshu Varma, Amy Zimmerman

**CEC Members Not Present:** Kenji Griffith, Charlotte Roper, Cora Schimanski, Dan Wawiernia

**Call to Order and Acceptance of Agenda:** Chris called the meeting to order at 12:01 pm. A motion to accept the agenda was made, seconded, and approved.

**Minutes:** The January and February 2015 minutes were approved by a board vote.

**Budget and Financials:** The budget was amended to reflect the acceptance and restriction of the \$4,515 AOA educational donation. A motion to approve the February 2015 financial and disbursements of \$41.39 was seconded and approved.

**Membership:** No report.

**Education:** The spring professional development training revenue is expected to be around \$10,000. There has been 130 registrations to date. The maximum is set at 180. The Office of the Auditor General has registered 77 attendees. Anshu has found a sponsor for the program. PowerPoint presentations will be emailed to the participants and posted on the website. There will be a mid-morning break, lunch, and afternoon break. Anshu will print the flyers for the next luncheon so they are available to attendees.

**Program Luncheons:** There is no March luncheon. The meeting on April 22, 2015 will be the Greater Lansing Area Economic Development. The meeting on May 19, 2015 will be the State Budget with John Roberts. Flyers will be posted to the chapter website. A projector will be needed for both events. The

chapter is continuing the bring a nonmember guest for free to the luncheon campaign. There was a discussion regarding retention of the CPE forms for educational events. It was agreed upon that the CPE forms will be retained by the Programs Chairperson for five years. The Treasurer will retain a list of attendees at CPE events.

**Awards:** No award nominations have been received. The nominations deadline has been extended to April 30. The presentation of the three main awards will now be presented at the May luncheon. The board discussed the nominations procedure.

**Communication:** The April newsletter has been started. Cindy asked that any articles be submitted by the end of March.

**CGFM:** The next audio conference is Wednesday, March 18. The topic is internal controls. 12 OAG staff have signed up. The last audio conference for the year will be May 13. The topic will be Ethics. CGFM month declaration requests were submitted in February.

**Website:** Cora can now access the website. Send her an email if you need anything posted to the website.

**Community Service:** Julie S. sent out an email requesting donations for Suits for Soldiers. She has already started to receive donations and will deliver them at the end of March. Eaton/SIREN Shelter will be the community service project for the spring training event. Amy is doing the MS Walk on April 25 and will set up an online site for group participation and donations.

**Chapter Recognition:** Dan J. asked the board members to email him if they are interested in serving on the board next year.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:**

**Adjournment:** A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adjourn at 1:08 pm.

**Next Meeting:** April 8, 2015  
Hosted by Julie Salman  
Van Wagoner Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
One West Conference Room



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in Federal, State, and  
Local Government**

CGFM is a professional certification recognizing the unique skills and special knowledge required of today's government financial managers. It covers governmental accounting, auditing, financial reporting, internal controls, and budgeting at the federal, state, and local levels.

The CGFM designation was recently recognized by the government of **Guam** which approved a 10 percent pay increases for those who hold the CGFM designation and the **Florida** Legislature which passed a bill listing CGFM as one of the certifications that qualify certain inspectors general for employment.



## Chapter Executive Committee 2014-2015

Platinum  
Chapter

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